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DX-IS (2009)

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8466. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 00:43:05 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8463 Message: 8466

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 00:47:46 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8463 Message: 8467

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 00:50:33 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8468

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 00:52:52 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8469

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 00:56:11 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8412 Message: 8470

Nelson--
See if you have a local card checker. You don't have to let those cards out of site, saves postage, insurance (although how do you afix a $ amount). The ARRL web site should list card checkers some where on the site. Usually you can just make an appointment with them and have it done.

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Dale K8TS

8471. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 01:02:07 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8463 Message: 8471

Not that we ever have anything like that , at least on any kind of normal basis. Our winds today exceeded 60 mph with about 50 steady. We have trees down all over the place, but escaped any power outages so far- just flickers all day - so have had the computer down more than up. Gusts are still about 40 mph. We had two short "snows" if you call very small icy looking stuff falling sideways, a snow. The temp was right around freezing, and will drop to the low 20s tonight, so thankuflly nothing stuck. Heck - it was too fast to stick. This wasnt supposed to hit until tomorrow night, so be interested to see what happens then.

Meanwhile the grandkids (9 and 7) are down here watching a video they got for Christmas, then they will pull an "all nighter" (they think) here on the pull out couch.

I want to wish each and every one of you a very HAPPY NEW YEAR, and may 2009 fill your stockings with new ones.

REMEMBER DX IS

Danny Douglas
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ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
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8472. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 01:10:41 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8463 Message: 8472

Gonna go fishin?? :-)

I've been ice fishin only a few times in my life. Not bad. Cold doesn't bother me ... I can always dress properly for cold WX [I've been deer hunting at -30C in North [Northern]Maine and Wyoming].

The NH WX bureau just announced wind gusts to 65 KM/H. Getting breezy but the baro is started UP.

Have a great HNY!!
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From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8463 Message: 8473

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From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8474

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8475. Re: [DX-IS] QSL card submission

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 01:28:03 UTC
From: Nelson Wittstock
Topic: 8412 Message: 8475

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They will accept a spreadsheet, which I have foune a WHOLE lot easier.
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From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8412 Message: 8477

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Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
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Date: 2009-01-01 01:34:18 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8463 Message: 8478

Somebody call me !!!
It was 73F outside this afternoon.

73 es Happy New Year,
Dick, W1KSZ/7

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Yes, I expect there won't be a lot of weather until just before dawn (isn'tthere a song about that?) and I suspect we'll be pretty much mired in snowtomorrow. And I concur -- the bands are terrible unless you want to work abunch of HNY stations. No one to QSO with.As for that grass skirt, I thought I'd heard that Gary had outgrown it andhad it shipped off to Hans. Gary's being fitted for a new one.73Al, VE1AL-----Original Message-----From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf OfPaul M DunphySent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 8:43 PMTo: DX IS!Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New YearAt 07:14 PM 12/31/2008, you wrote:>Although VO1 will usher in 2009 in just less than 4 1/2 hours and be >the first part of North America to see the new year, we here in Nova >Scotia are hunkering down for a major winter storm. So it is a good >night to celebrate at home!>>We could get up to 40 cm of snow buffeted by winds gusting between >100-110 km/h. While that sounds like a lot, it is only 18" of snow. >The wind, however, could gust to 70 mph. So heavy drifting is >expected. It is a good thing there's no work on New Year's Day.>>So long

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8479. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 01:53:45 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8463 Message: 8479

At 09:34 PM 12/31/2008, you wrote:
>Somebody call me !!!
>It was 73F outside this afternoon.
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>Dick, W1KSZ/7

What was it you wanted to be called, Dick? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

8480. Re: [DX-IS] QSL card submission

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 01:58:41 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 8412 Message: 8480

Hi Qsl Submitters,

Before you spend a lot of time sorting and getting the
cards in order I would suggest a phone call to the League. Sorting and
a check sheet is important if you are using a "card checker" only as
that is what the data will be entered from if you use one. The card
checker sends the list in. If you send the cards in it becomes
irrelevant as they just go and enter the data directly from the cards.
I found this out when I took my cards to HQ a few years ago and my
list went directly to the trash and I asked why.

Yesterday I went to HQ to get my yearly submission
done and I didn't have any listing sheet at all. I handed in just the
cards and went to a local 3W restaurant. When I came back they were
done. There was an error which got corrected while I stood there. I got
new corrected printouts and left. The extra cost for doing it on a
walk-in basis is a wash verses registered mail.

73, & HNY

Bob
K2TK

8481. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 02:09:40 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 8463 Message: 8481

Call him warm and comfortable....

HNY all

Bob
K2TK

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8482. Re: [DX-IS] QSL card submission

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 02:11:47 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8412 Message: 8482

They have printed, several times, how they want the cards sorted. If they dont want that, then they should say it - in print. They also say they want the lists in a certain order, for when the checker sends it in (without the cards).

Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
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8483. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 02:39:12 UTC
From: Marg and Rob
Topic: 8463 Message: 8483

Happy new year from sunny Western Australia ... from a loyal lurker ... 73 Bob VK6HG (VS9ARN/VS6AF)
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 9:47 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

0045Z 1Jan 09

That storm just blew through New Hampshire. We received only 8 inches [20 cm] of light, puffy snow. The wind is NW [330] at 30 KM/H. Baro = 1009 mB falling. The temperature has dropped from -8C to -30C in a little over 3 hours.

Might be tempted to give up hammin' on 1 Jan and go fishin' instead. Meanwhile, I'll hug the airconditioner. [It conditions the ambient air to ~20C.]

DD, W1MCE
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 6:14 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

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Very 73 & DX

Al, VE1AL

8486. New file uploaded to DX-IS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 03:19:32 UTC
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 920 Message: 8486

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the DX-IS
group.

File : /DXCC_Status_Template.xls
Uploaded by : ve1dx <list_dx@...>
Description : 2009 Electronic (Excel) DXCC Checklist

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/files/DXCC_Status_Template.xls

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

ve1dx <list_dx@...>

8487. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 03:56:56 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8152 Message: 8487

who does Djibouti pay homage to? or are they themselves?
Dale K8TS

8488. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:21:40 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8152 Message: 8488

At 11:56 PM 12/31/2008, you wrote:
>who does Djibouti pay homage to? or are they themselves?
>Dale K8TS

It is an independent republic now, but was a French territory
until 1977.

73, Paul VE1DX

8489. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:33:44 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8152 Message: 8489

Djibouti is the capital of Somalia.
Danny Douglas
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ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 10:56 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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8490. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:36:40 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8152 Message: 8490

Woops on second thought, Its been too long since I was in that part of the world. Mogodishu is the capital of Somalia, and Djibouti is now independant. Give em a couple of months and some other tribal leader will claim it.

Danny Douglas
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 10:56 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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8491. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:41:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8152 Message: 8491

At 12:33 AM 1/1/2009, you wrote:
>Djibouti is the capital of Somalia.
>Danny Douglas

Since when? Into the New Year's cheer a bit early?

73, Paul VE1DX

8492. Re: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:49:02 UTC
From: Michael L Johnson KD4SN
Topic: 8152 Message: 8492

Djibouti is the capital of Djibouti. Don't you watch Coke commercials on TV!!!

KD4SN Michael L Johnson
kd4sn@...
kd4sn@...
mljohnson54@...

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 11:41 PM
Subject: [Norton AntiSpam] Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

At 12:33 AM 1/1/2009, you wrote:

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Danny Douglas

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8493. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:50:56 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8152 Message: 8493

I don't remember who said it, but I do believe hams know more about geography, and government history than the aberage bear.
After being on this list for atleast a year or so (don't righty remember), I have learned (intended) more than what I did in 12 years of school and one year of college .
Perhaps we study it more (who did I just work, what's that call), or as in some cases have been there, done it.

Well happy knew years, gotta go watch the ball drop :)
(also gotta be into work in 8 more hours)

Dale K8TS

8494. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:52:17 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8152 Message: 8494

Is it approved for DXCC? hi hi

8495. Re: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 04:55:14 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8152 Message: 8495

I was last there in 68-70 eara and forget who does what to whom out there. The US now rents an old French Foreign Legion base there, and runs some actions out of there. It is also the port for Ethiopia, since they lost Masawa, the port that is now in Eritrean hands. Its a mess.

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Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 11:49 PM
Subject: Re: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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mljohnson54@...

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8496. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 05:23:18 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8152 Message: 8496

...Then how come I have a card from there as a country: J2AZ November of 1981 & accepted by the League...
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Danny Douglas
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 8:33 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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Danny Douglas

8497. [425ENG] The toplist of January

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 06:39:40 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8497 Message: 8497

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

425 DX News is available in the following languages:
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Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPLIST
01/01/2009

NR	CALL	10	12	15	17	20	30	40	80	160	SSB	CW	RTTY	Tot	Date
1	N4WW	335	329	338	335	337	334	337	334	304	338	337	336	3994	17/05/2008
2	OH2BU	334	328	338	337	338	336	337	331	290	338	337	332	3976	28/02/2008
3	W4DR	334	329	337	336	337	335	336	335	310	338	337	308	3972	19/06/2008
4	OH3SR	334	332	338	337	338	334	337	331	279	338	337	335	3970	09/12/2008
5	HA0DU	330	330	338	335	338	333	335	330	297	338	337	325	3966	01/08/2008
6	OM3EY	333	330	338	336	337	331	337	331	294	338	337	318	3960	28/04/2008
7	SM0AJU	331	329	336	335	338	331	336	324	278	338	337	336	3949	24/02/2008
8	W7UT	332	328	337	334	338	331	336	327	280	338	337	324	3942	21/02/2008
9	W1JR	331	327	335	334	338	331	335	326	286	338	337	320	3938	29/12/2008
10	UA0MF	334	327	338	332	338	330	334	328	278	338	336	318	3931	23/06/2008
11	DJ2BW	327	325	337	336	338	331	337	310	274	338	337	336	3926	01/05/2008
12	OM3PC	326	324	338	335	337	331	334	321	284	338	337	320	3925	26/06/2008
13	I4EAT	330	328	338	335	337	331	337	331	289	338	337	284	3915	30/04/2008
14	HA8BE	326	325	336	330	336	330	327	322	291	336	336	319	3914	03/01/2008
15	ON7GB	328	329	336	337	338	335	335	311	264	338	337	321	3909	21/03/2008
16	OZ8ABE	327	327	337	337	337	336	333	315	278	338	337	293	3895	29/07/2008
17	G4BWP	327	320	336	332	338	327	335	307	263	337	337	329	3888	01/09/2008
18	N4CC	328	315	333	327	337	329	337	320	250	338	336	334	3884	01/09/2008
19	EA6NB	322	317	335	330	337	329	337	308	255	338	337	328	3873	29/12/2008
20	LY2ZZ	313	313	338	331	338	328	334	320	278	338	336	306	3873	30/09/2008
21	VA3DX	329	317	335	330	337	329	334	301	236	338	337	332	3855	22/02/2008
22	W3YX	329	325	331	334	336	330	333	315	213	337	336	334	3853	30/05/2007
23	W3UR	331	320	336	336	338	332	333	325	280	338	337	246	3852	01/06/2008
24	N2QT	323	315	335	333	336	321	334	302	242	338	337	334	3850	06/05/2008
25	DJ2YA	321	314	335	330	337	324	330	303	251	338	337	328	3848	03/03/2008

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reference number, an island name, an Antarctic base, a lighthouse, etc.

8498. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 11:28:47 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8463 Message: 8498

Dick spent most of his 65+ years here in the Boston, MA area. I used to believe he was a true New Englander. But then, that terrible situation entered his life ... retirement! His true colors emerged ... he moved to the country of sand, heat , sand, snakes, sand, cactus, sand ... er, ARIZONA.

Dick, this am [1000Z 1Jan 09] the temperature is '0'F [-18C ... for the down under crowd], winds are gusting to 30 mph [48 kph]and 6 inches [15 cm] of snow lies beautifully in my driveway. It seems a shame to disturb the tranquility by shoveling it for 2 hours. But, my truck has to get me to Mass [for general info ... I'm a Catholic Deacon {clergy} who has a 10:00 am EST Mass schedule].

FYI, Dick and I were co-workers for many years,

DD

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From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 8:34 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aleith@...
Date: Wed, 31 Dec 2008 21:20:17 -0400
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yes, I was thinking about a buck a QSO as well. Tell you what, you do half and I'll do half and we'll head for Arizona!

My ice fishing days are over. Now I'm on a beta blocker and anything below 55 is cold for me. That's why it is 73 here in the shack and a bone-chilling (for me) 27 outside.

HNY

73

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Yahoo! Groups Links

8499. Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 13:07:24 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8152 Message: 8499

It *has* been a long time since you were in Africa.
Last time I looked Mogadishu was the capital of Somalia.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...> wrote:
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8500. Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 12:54:50 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8454 Message: 8500

The rich get richer and the poor get kids!
Happy New Year Frosty.

Art

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <frosty1@...> wrote:
>
> Ah yes Art you guys on the east will be able to work them while we
in the
> deep doo in South Texas will not hear them.
>
> K5LBU Frosty
> www.k5lbu.com <http://www.k5lbu.com/>
> www.dxsafari.com <http://www.dxsafari.com/>
> www.africandxsafari.com <http://www.africandxsafari.com/>
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of Art
> Burke
> Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 7:13 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] E44M
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> Ah, it begins! The squawkbox went off a few minutes ago during
> breakfast. My wife (K4IRI) heard "Palestine" bellowing out of the
PC
> speakers and flew away like a flash (apologies to Clement Clarke
> Moore!) to the shack.
>
> E44M was supposedly on the air, working simplex on 20 SSB. After
> only a few calls, he announced that there was a problem at the
front
> of the hotel and to "...please stand by." He disappeared.
>
> According to the web site, they are due to start tomorrow (January
> 1). According to the forum site, they aren't going to be able to
> start until January 2.
>
> I told my wife the cardinal rule of DXing was "WFWL" and when she
> asked what that meant, I replied "Work First, Worry Later!"

>
> I need 'em on 10, 12 and 30 and would like to have the prefix, so
> I'll be mostly on the sidelines for this one.
>
> Good luck to all who need something in the way of E4.
>
> Art - N4PJ
>

8501. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 14:38:12 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8152 Message: 8501

Other than a single FL8 ('73) all of my QSOs with Djibouti were with J20 or J28. Was the J2AZ a leftover OT from Tokyo?

HNY

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 1:23 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

...Then how come I have a card from there as a country: J2AZ November of 1981 & accepted by the League...
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----- Original Message -----
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 8:33 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Djibouti is the capital of Somalia.
Danny Douglas

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 14:48:40 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8502

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 14:54:40 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8463 Message: 8503

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 14:56:44 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8310 Message: 8504

Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> You and I have been around long enough to recall the wars of the
> early 1990s on 14.301 and more so on 14.313 MHz. To this day, I
> remember the call of the primary participant. In fact, I just worked
> him in the Stew Perry contest! That will be his legacy. Anyone who
> was on the air in the 1990s, when the frequency 14.313 MHz is
> mentioned, remembers one or two calls. It was an embarrassment to Ham Radio.
>
Yes it was.

I arrived at Kunsan Air Base, South Korea along about 1990, and I took my TS-430S with me. In a few weeks, I had all the paperwork done so I could install an antenna on the roof of the dorm, and I got on the air. The first thing I thought was to get on 14.313 and get a phone patch to my wife. Couldn't do it, there was a guy calling CQ on top of the net, and that was the end of my idea of getting a phone patch. That guy subsequently lost his license, went through a bunch of appeals, and got re-licensed. He now has his old call as a vanity call.

I think he should have been permanently banned from having ANY FCC license, but that's just my idea of integrity, which both he and the people who got his appeals lack.

I'll never work him in any contest of DX try -- he just isn't worth my time of effort, and I wish the whole ham community would do the same.

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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
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Topic: 8152 Message: 8506

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Topic: 8449 Message: 8507

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> tia - rene
>
Check out <http://www.dxlabsuite.com/> -- you'll probably have to
enter the QSO's manually, but once you do, it takes care of almost
everything else for you.

I think I remember VE1AL was looking for somebody to enter logs for
him -- from paper to computer, I mean -- and I think he found somebody.
You might ask him and follow that up. I hope I remember it right, it's
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From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8449 Message: 8508

Nope, wasn't me, Earl. Art, N4PJ, I believe, entered some of Paul, VE1DX's log for him. I'm afraid nobody can afford my services, nor would they want them :-).

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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

Yahoo! Groups Links

8509. Re: Computer log

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 15:58:01 UTC
From: Brian A.
Topic: 8449 Message: 8509

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15 years ago? It seems like the effort just died.

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73 de Brian/K3KO

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8510. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 16:31:25 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8463 Message: 8510

Snakes ?? What Snakes ??
In 15 months I have seen two snakes, a Black Racer (a good guy)
and an immature Diamondback (who foolishly took up residence in
a drainage culvert). I have yet to see a Scorpion, but I have lots
of Quail running around, some Turkey Biuzzards (the cleaning crew)
and a few Harris Hawks (they are big).
You folks up in the frozen North can keep thinking how bad it is
down here, that delays the inevitable mass migration.
BTW, we have beaucoup Canadians down here for the winter. The
Trailer Parks are full.

Happy New Year to all,

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comFrom: aleith@...: Thu, 1 Jan 2009 10:48:40 -0400Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year
At 1400 on New Year's Day it is 0C (32F) in Sydney, NS. The predicted blizzard was a wimp (although the warnings are still in effect). We also got 6" (15cm) of snow. I don't have anywhere to go until tomorrow and thus I will rest :-).

Seems if you want warm, you have to put up with snakes. I think (even tho' as a northerner and a Canadian to boot, I have an innate fear of snakes) I would put up with a couple to be warmer -- at least for several months a year. Here in Eastern Canada we have only two seasons -- winter and July.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Deacon DaveSent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 7:29 AMTo: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comSubject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

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FYI, Dick and I were co-workers for many years,

DD

----- Original Message -----

From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 8:34 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Somebody call me !!!It was 73F outside this afternoon. 73 es Happy New Year,Dick, W1KSZ/7

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comFrom: aleith@...: Wed, 31 Dec 2008 21:20:17 -0400Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year
Yes, I was thinking about a buck a QSO as well. Tell you what, you do half and I'll do half and we'll head for Arizona!

My ice fishing days are over. Now I'm on a beta blocker and anything below 55 is cold for me. That's why it is 73 here in the shack and a bone-chilling (for me) 27 outside.

HNY

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Deacon DaveSent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 9:13 PMTo: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comSubject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Gary, if were thinking WB6PSY, is looking for volunteers to convert his logs to computer format [excel]. Might be nice to do on a cool stormy day. I'll do it for $1 per entry. then I can retire in luxury :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 7:50 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yes, I expect there won't be a lot of weather until just before dawn (isn'tthere a song about that?) and I suspect we'll be pretty much mired in snowtomorrow. And I concur -- the bands are terrible unless you want to work abunch of HNY stations. No one to QSO with.As for that grass skirt, I thought I'd heard that Gary had outgrown it andhad it shipped off to Hans. Gary's being fitted for a new one.73Al, VE1AL-----Original Message-----From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf OfPaul M DunphySent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 8:43 PMTo: DX IS!Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New YearAt 07:14 PM 12/31/2008, you wrote:>Although VO1 will usher in 2009 in just less than 4 1/2 hours and be >the first part of North America to see the new year, we here in Nova >Scotia are hunkering down for a major winter storm. So it is a good >night to celebrate at home!>>We could get up to 40 cm of snow buffeted by winds gusting between >100-110 km/h. While that sounds like a lot, it is only 18" of snow. >The wind, however, could gust to 70 mph. So heavy drifting is >expected. It is a good thing there's no work on New Year's Day.>>So long as the power stays on, I'll be snug as a bug in a rug with >plenty of juice to make the pain go away.>>To all my friends on the DX-IS Reflector, and for that matter to all >the lurkers from whom we never hear, a very healthy and prosperous >2009. I'm not hopeful but I will continue to say my daily prayer to >the Palos Verdes Sundancers and their

leader.>>Very 73 & DX>>Al, VE1ALIt's just hitting here, Al, at least according to Environment Canada'sradar. I looked outside and there a bit of wind, but no snow yet. I thinkthe radar catches the high atmospheric stuff first, before we see it on theground. Either way, it's going to be crappy for the next 24 hours or so.My first DX of 2009 was EA6UN on 40M at 00:13 UTC. Don't know if Ishould count that or wait until local time (UTC + 4 hours.)I don't have a cold, and also have no juice to cure one, so I guessI'll play radio and then watch TV until the power goes out. Then again. itmight stay on! Not a lot of activity on the air tonight. Flux stuck at 69and the GMF seems a bit upset. Oh well, that's how it goes.Happy New Year to all the list members, and we are all praying forsunspots in 2009. As Al suggested, the Palos Verdes Sundancers need to gettheir act together. I believe WB6PSY is a former member, and might havesome influence in getting them enthusiastic. What say, Gary? Do you stillhave one of those grass skirts squirrelled away somewhere?73, Paul VE1DX ----------Yahoo! Groups Links

8511. Re: Computer log

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 16:33:13 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8449 Message: 8511

I entered logs for W4ABW, W4FOA (entered several logs from his
African posts) and VE1DX (only part of Paul's - about 5,000 QSOs if
I remember, maybe less than that).

Still not rich, as I did those logs for free.

Art - N4PJ

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8512. Re: Computer log

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 16:36:17 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8449 Message: 8512

A number of them are still in existence and better than ever. A doctor I saw several years ago had a system that worked quite well with Word. During dictation, he only had to make moderate adjustments/corrections.

It's possible that the computer has "permeated" (maybe saturated is a better choice of words) society sufficiently that more and more people have become adept at computer entry.

There is still a thriving field in medical transcription. Doctors are apparently far too busy to spend time typing entries. Those who do the transcripts (there are schools for it) apparently make reasonably good money.

Art - N4PJ

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8513. HNY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 16:38:43 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8513 Message: 8513

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HNY TO ALL ES HOPES FOR BEST IN 2009
7 3 ES DX

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Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
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8514. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 18:05:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8463 Message: 8514

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Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 3:28 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

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8515. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 18:22:37 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8152 Message: 8515

Sri All - bad case of Mad Cow yesterday. I thought something wuz wrong so I pulled the card:
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73 es Happy New Year - Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 6:38 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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HNY

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Al, VE1AL

8516. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 18:39:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8152 Message: 8516

An honest mistake, Gary. Today is the first day since Boxing Day (I know you know what that is) that I have been reasonably well enough to even make a QSO. In fact, I was in bed well before midnight last night -- my granddaughter (six years old) didn't go to bed until 1 am.

Seeing the QSL manager reminded me of I5GN (yes, I know it is a r-e-a-l stretch) but that's a different country and we bloody well don't want to get started on that.

BTW, my 1st QSO of the new year: 9A2009OS. How appropriate.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 2:23 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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8517. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 18:04:46 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8517

I don't know what part of Palestine this team will operate from. Not Gaza, I hope. Israel is on full alert just about everywhere now, and I don't think I would want to be anywhere near their borders.

I have been following three EU clusters and one NA. So far, I have not seen any post that I would trust. Within the next 24 hours we should know if they are going to come on the air.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 6:54 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

The rich get richer and the poor get kids!
Happy New Year Frosty.

Art

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <frosty1@...> wrote:
>
> Ah yes Art you guys on the east will be able to work them while we in the
> deep doo in South Texas will not hear them.
>
> K5LBU Frosty
> www.k5lbu.com <http://www.k5lbu.com/>
> www.dxsafari.com <http://www.dxsafari.com/>
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art
> Burke
> Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 7:13 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] E44M
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>
> Ah, it begins! The squawkbox went off a few minutes ago during
> breakfast. My wife (K4IRI) heard "Palestine" bellowing out of the

PC
> speakers and flew away like a flash (apologies to Clement Clarke
> Moore!) to the shack.
>
> E44M was supposedly on the air, working simplex on 20 SSB. After
> only a few calls, he announced that there was a problem at the
front
> of the hotel and to "...please stand by." He disappeared.
>
> According to the web site, they are due to start tomorrow (January
> 1). According to the forum site, they aren't going to be able to
> start until January 2.
>
> I told my wife the cardinal rule of DXing was "WFWL" and when she
> asked what that meant, I replied "Work First, Worry Later!"
>
> I need 'em on 10, 12 and 30 and would like to have the prefix, so
> I'll be mostly on the sidelines for this one.
>
> Good luck to all who need something in the way of E4.
>
> Art - N4PJ
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Internal Virus Database is out-of-date.
Checked by AVG.
Version: 7.5.524 / Virus Database: 270.8.1/1728 - Release Date: 10/16/2008
7:38 AM

8518. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 20:23:45 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 8518

> > > 425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE < < <

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (December 2008) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in December, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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8519. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-01 23:34:56 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8463 Message: 8519

Call doesn't ring any bells.

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SRI, Rene.

DD
----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 1:05 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

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8520. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 00:29:15 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8463 Message: 8520

Ok, tnx DD. Dick lives in Framingham...
hny rene
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8521. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:12:31 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8152 Message: 8521

The lagoon in "Gilligan's Island" was on CBS's Studio City back lot. The lagoon was built for the show in 1963 at a cost of $75,000. Dead trees were planted and dressed with palm leaves. Landscapers added tropical greenery, some live, mostly plastic. The lagoon was 4 feet deep with a working waterfall. The pilot contained footage of Kauai Island in Hawaii (Moloa'a Bay, to be exact). This footage was sometimes recycled in the first season episodes. Later they shot color stock footage of Zuma Beach near Malibu and filmed some outdoors scenes at Franklin Canyon in Beverly Hills. You should also know that Russell Johnson (The Professor) says that the lagoon on the Universal Studio tour that guests are told is from "Gilligan's Island," was never used on the series. The Universal lagoon was only used in one of the re-union movies.
Might count as W6 - rene
----- Original Message -----
From: John Peters
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 28, 2008 12:34 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Gilligan's Island counts as KH6. You can visit it when you come to Honolulu. Located just up the road from Kaneohe.

John K1ER/KH6
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 28, 2008 9:02 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Fascinating. I wonder when someone will activate Gilligan's Island?
:-)

8522. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:30:47 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8463 Message: 8522

AL;
Does that mean that you miss easter as it is commonly held in spring? What's that commenwealth day?
Dale

8523. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:32:36 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8463 Message: 8523

ment to ask if the easter bunny comes
Dale

8524. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:24:38 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8454 Message: 8524

WFWL.... but this is one expedition that may need a "rain check" until operator security conditions are better. I can't imagine trying to operate in the current environment with militants and terrorists in close proximity and always suspicious of outsiders with communications equipment.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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From: Win
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 12:04 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

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To: <DX-IS@...m>
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 6:54 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

The rich get richer and the poor get kids!
Happy New Year Frosty.

Art

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <frosty1@...> wrote:
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> Ah yes Art you guys on the east will be able to work them while we in the
> deep doo in South Texas will not hear them.
>

> K5LBU Frosty
> www.k5lbu.com <http://www.k5lbu.com/>
> www.dxsafari.com <http://www.dxsafari.com/>
> www.africandxsafari.com <http://www.africandxsafari.com/>
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of Art
> Burke
> Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 7:13 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] E44M
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7:38 AM

8525. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:44:48 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8525

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of k9ttt@...
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 9:31 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

AL;
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8526. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:53:07 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 8152 Message: 8526

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From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 28, 2008 9:02 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Fascinating. I wonder when someone will activate Gilligan's Island?
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8527. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:56:35 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8463 Message: 8527

When I lived on a lake as a kid May would have been pushing it. Now, beinhg the age I am, most of my swiming is confinded to the heated motel indoor pools. (beats haveing to be an engeener to obtain the proper position of the shower handle)

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Dale K8TS

8528. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:06:58 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8463 Message: 8528

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Danny Douglas
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8529. RE: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 01:46:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8454 Message: 8529

Well, we're gonna wait a long time for your conditions to be met, Gary.

Good thing I've got that phoney country in the bag.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of CSM(r) Gary Huber
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 9:25 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

WFWL.... but this is one expedition that may need a "rain check" until operator security conditions are better. I can't imagine trying to operate in the current environment with militants and terrorists in close proximity and always suspicious of outsiders with communications equipment.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
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8530. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:17:17 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8530

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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
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----- Original Message -----
From: Alan <mailto:aleith@...> Leith
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Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 8:44 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

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8531. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:18:22 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8152 Message: 8531

At 09:53 PM 1/1/2009, you wrote:
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>Aiea, HI

I can't verify 100% John's statement about Gilligan's Island,
but I did visit the Macademia Nut farm he mentioned last July. A
heck of a lot of TV shows and movies are indeed partially shot in the
Hawaiian Islands.

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there is a big demand for Kauai and Maui. Especially Kauai. I got a
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quite a bit in advance. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

8532. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:18:44 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8152 Message: 8532

Yup - kinda like Stalag 13 or was it 17 was filmed on Mulholland Drive and Mash was filmed on Mulholland Highway near where I used to live.
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----- Original Message -----
From: John Peters
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 5:53 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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From: John Peters
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8533. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:35:30 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8463 Message: 8533

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Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
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8534. P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:38:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8534 Message: 8534

I have just read at www.docufunk.org that the original cards for P5RS7 that were submitted for and accepted for DXCC credit, prior to Romeo's expulsion from DXCC, were never removed from the totals of those stations which submitted them. While there's a great deal of doubt in my mind that this is true, it is too late at night to e-mail Bill, and before I go to bed I'd like to know if anyone on here knows anything.

If it is true, and I never did submit my P5RS7 QSL, would it be retroactive? Oh how happy I would be.

What a way to start the year :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

8535. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:38:45 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8152 Message: 8535

Years ago my favourite island wuz Molokai!
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
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8536. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:40:08 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8536

We'll await a reply. It will be forthcoming :-).

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 10:36 PM
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8537. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:42:18 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8463 Message: 8537

Don't the Brits celebrate the Queens Birthday in June ?? Regardless of when she was actually born.
Weather's better in June in London !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comFrom: aleith@...: Thu, 1 Jan 2009 22:40:08 -0400Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

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8538. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:45:46 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8463 Message: 8538

Not MY part of Texas. You gotta have water to have skeeters. We might have averaged 18-20 inches of rain a year, if that. It all soaked down in the sands, and seldom flooded the rivers- which are normally a quarter mile across on the bridge, with about 3-4 foot wide cricks in the middle, 3 inches deep. They, and the frogs, may come out ever 4-5 years for a month or so, then bury down so deep you would think they were looking for oil in the Permein Basin.

Hey, there were three DX stations earlier on 160, and worked two of them. The third, (a needed on of course) went QRT when he got s5 here.

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I don't know about that, Danny -- Britain celebrating the Queen's birthday. I do know that mosquitoes in Canada are some of the largest in the world, if that's anything to be proud of.

You've got to admit that waking up in the morning up here is refreshing 'cause you haven't worked up a sweat all night. If it is 45-50 when you get up and hits 85-90 by mid-afternoon, that's pretty decent.

Heated swimming pools? Come on, now. Only heated pool I ever swam in was the one I owned. Didn't like it so I sold the house.

73

Al, VE1AL

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8539. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:47:45 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 8152 Message: 8539

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 4:38 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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73, Paul VE1DX

8540. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:50:02 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 8534 Message: 8540

Better to check with Bill directly but since Romeo was NOT in North Korea, I don't think ANY of the P5RS7 cards were counted for DXCC. If you need the Russian side of the line it might count for that.

73 John K1ER
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From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 4:38 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] P5RS7

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If it is true, and I never did submit my P5RS7 QSL, would it be retroactive? Oh how happy I would be.

What a way to start the year :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

8541. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:57:13 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 8152 Message: 8541

Molokai from Maui:

http://www.ambersoft.com/Photography/Hawaii/Molokai/index.htm

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of John Peters
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73, Paul VE1DX

8542. RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 02:59:56 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8534 Message: 8542

I'm not questioning where he was, as ultimately decided by the League, John, I just found the English translation to be somewhat confusing. As I remember, by the time I would have sent cards for credit, Romeo would have already been booted out. The German site seems to indicate that credit given was never rescinded. That, to me, is preposterous.

I am not privy to the data provided by the Japanese DFers who pinpointed, perhaps to the square metre, where he was along the Russian/N. Korean border. I also question this pre-GPS (for the general public) determination. But then, who am I to ask? I'm just a pawn in the DXCC game of chess.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 10:50 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

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8543. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 03:09:26 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8152 Message: 8543

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8544. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 03:17:56 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 8152 Message: 8544

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John K1ER (Oahu, HI)
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8545. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 04:07:06 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8152 Message: 8545

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8546. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 04:27:43 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8152 Message: 8546

Most likely because it's "managed" (and I use that term loosely) by
the Fish & Wildlife guys.
Check it out on Google Earth at +28 23' and +178 17'
It shows a runway.
I knew a guy years ago that was in the Coast Guard and was
stationed there. He went half nuts !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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8547. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 04:34:14 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8152 Message: 8547

The last expedition I worked was K7C in 2005. Before that, 1990 !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comFrom: k9ttt@...: Fri, 2 Jan 2009 04:07:06 +0000Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices
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8548. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 04:35:28 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8152 Message: 8548

If could ever pursade the F & W guys, be a neat "little pistols" expedition. Imagine, 160 aeriols on the runway clear shots to JA, EU, NA, might be rough going to AF, don't think it would be that rough to SA. I have visions.....better go to bed, might get irrational ideas :)
Dale K8TS

8549. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 04:38:59 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8152 Message: 8549

Even with ol SOL asleep......I could convince my wife........$$$ but achievalble :)
Dale K8TS

8550. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 05:00:20 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8152 Message: 8550

I looked to see whom I worked: KH6LW, Loren Wolf in June of 1979 and KH7AA, Pete Aldrich, both with the USCG Loran Station in 1982.
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 8:27 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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8551. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 05:21:55 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8463 Message: 8551

>
> BTW, we have beaucoup Canadians down here for the winter.
>

I'm not a Canadian, but I'll be down there in a week or so. We park our RV over in Gold Canyon by the Superstition mountains.

Friend of mine moved down there permanent tells me "When I lived in Minnesota we could tell winter was coming because the trees changed colors. Down here we can tell because the license plates change color."

Beep beep,

de Hans, K0HB

8552. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 06:43:32 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 8152 Message: 8552

Only a team serious about a trip should inquire! You CAN get F&W permission AND you have to take THEM WITH YOU at YOUR EXPENSE to tell you WHERE you can walk, run coax, set up stations. There are NO towers, NO runways, NOTHING but bird crap and birds and native island. The boat ride is long and rough and the climb!!! from the boat to the land is STEEP and difficult. You must carry EVERYTHING! Water, Food, etc and you must REMOVE IT ALL when you leave. YOU must stay out of the way of the goony birds, etc.

A TEAM with money and sincere interest should talk to the last team that was there! They are probably over being seasick by now.

You SHOULD have worked it when the USCG was there with a LORAN C station! And an airfield and frequent flights from Oahu.

I have all of the LOGS for Rick's operations there over many years. (KH6JEB, AH7RS, /KH7)

John K1ER/KH6
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 6:35 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices

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8553. Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 10:04:25 UTC
From: vk2sob@box701.com
Topic: 8463 Message: 8553

Most parts of Australia still celebrate Queens Birthday Weekend.
Here in New South Wales it moves about between the 1st and 2nd weekend in June.
Currently it is celebrated on the second weekend.

The Queen is not impressed as it is not her Birthday at all!

Bob

As a kid I remember going swimming on the May 24th weekend every year. That's the weekend when Canada celebrates the Queen's birthday. I believe we may be the only country that celebrates the Queen's birthday -- I don't know why -- maybe so we could go swimming. And last time I saw the Easter bunny she was shivering wildly in her skimpy little bunny suit.

However, in the last decade, since Al Gore's prediction started to make sense, there's often ice in the harbour here and snow on the ground until mid-late May. Wait...wasn't that supposed to be global warming? These days, I'm hard pressed to put a toe in the ocean before July 15th.

For the kids, Dale, we've moved the outdoor Easter egg hunt to July 1st, our version of your July 4th, called Canada Day. And I give all the Easter eggs I find to the grandkids.

73

Al, VE1AL

AL;
Does that mean that you miss easter as it is commonly held in spring? What's that commenwealth day?
Dale

8554. Re: Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 12:02:49 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8463 Message: 8554

The Queen's birthday is celebrated on June 2 (not her real birthday). The date for the celebration was altered many years ago so that the date coincided with the date of her coronation.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...> wrote:
>
>
> Don't the Brits celebrate the Queens Birthday in June ??
Regardless of
> when she was actually born.
> Weather's better in June in London !!
>
> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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>
> To: DX-IS@...: aleith@...: Thu, 1 Jan 2009 22:40:08 -0400Subject:
RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year
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>
> We'll await a reply. It will be forthcoming :-).
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of WB6PSYSent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 10:36 PMTo: DX-
IS@...: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year
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> Hey Al - ask DannyBoy 'bout mosquitoes in Texas and if he
remembers vinagarones? Great radio tx'ing under a tree in
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8555. Re: Choices choices

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 12:07:38 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8152 Message: 8555

Kure was activated with a pretty big dxpedition in September/October 2005.

That was the dxpedition where they had a web site displaying when your QSO was posted. There were little indicators that looked like lights to indicate band/mode for your QSOs.

It was the first dxpedition I remember that had so much feedback from the site.

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--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, k9ttt@... wrote:
>
> Pardon me for being so uninformed, but why is Kure KH7, never activated......how far from the mainland is it? Is it that difficult to get to? I am asking these questions without the aid of a map in the near vinicity of the desk.
> Actually (statistically) not many. We get an infrequent tourist bite from a visiting Tiger Shark or Great White, likely mistaking the surfer for a seal which is much more tasty. The black tip and white tip reef sharks here don't appear to bother swimmers.
>
> The daily ferry and flights from Maui are a better way to get to Molokai.
>
> John K1ER (Oahu, HI)
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Danny Douglas
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 5:09 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices
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> NICE But wonder how many sharks are betwen there and here?
>
> Danny Douglas
> N7DC
> ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
> SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
> All 2 years or more (except Novice)
> Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
> I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
> those who do.
> ----- Original Message -----

> From: Dave AA6YQ
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 9:57 PM
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices
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> Molokai from Maui:
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> http://www.ambersoft.com/Photography/Hawaii/Molokai/index.htm
>
> 73,
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> Dave, AA6YQ
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On
Behalf Of John Peters
> Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 9:48 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices
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> Since there is no new DX, we'll continue this travelogue.
>
> Molokai is easy to visit, boat of flight from Maui. BUT the
hotel by the one nice beach closed. Molokai Ranch closed, cut down
all the trees, nothing left. It is more difficult to find a place
to stay but you can still visit the former leper colony, see the
rest of the park, take the mule ride, and put out Kalawao county for
the USACA group.
>
> Those natives NEED YOUR TOURIST MONEY! Come visit.
>
> 73 John
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: WB6PSY
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 4:38 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Choices choices
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> Years ago my favourite island wuz Molokai!
> Rene
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Paul M Dunphy
> John will rent you one of them if you want. Act
quickly for there is a big demand for Kauai and Maui. Especially
Kauai. I got a weekly deal from John for Kauai in 2007, but I had

to reserve it quite a bit in advance. :-)
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - http://www.avg.com
> Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.1/1870 - Release
Date: 12/31/2008 8:44 AM
>

8556. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 15:56:02 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 8463 Message: 8556
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8557. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 16:18:50 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8463 Message: 8557

I dont think I have ever seen a scorpion in the wild, around the Texas Panhandle. They say they are there, but just never ran into one- though we were taught to always turn our shoes upside down and shake em before putting them on - when we were camping.

Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
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I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 10:56 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

You mean vinegaroons? The scorpions tht smell like vinegar?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Jan 1, 2009 at 8:35 PM, WB6PSY <tagteam@...> wrote:

Hey Al - ask DannyBoy 'bout mosquitoes in Texas and if he remembers vinagarones? Great radio tx'ing under a tree in Bracketville...
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
I don't know about that, Danny -- Britain celebrating the Queen's birthday. I do know that mosquitoes in Canada are some of the largest in the world, if that's anything to be proud of.

You've got to admit that waking up in the morning up here is refreshing 'cause you haven't worked up a sweat all night. If it is 45-50 when you get up and hits 85-90 by mid-afternoon, that's pretty decent.

Heated swimming pools? Come on, now. Only heated pool I ever swam in was the one I owned. Didn't like it so I sold the house.

73

Al, VE1AL

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - http://www.avg.com

Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.2/1871 - Release Date: 1/1/2009 5:01 PM

8558. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 17:28:08 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 8534 Message: 8558

You might be confusing this with XY0RR, another phantom Romeo
operation. This was before DXCC records were computerised,
so they couldn't tell which card you had submitted for XY/XZ
when they stopped accepting Romeo's cards. The DXCC people
basically told us to work another XY/XZ on the honour system.

I'm sure they never accepted P5RS7 cards.

Derek aa5bt

8559. [425ENG] 425 DX News #922

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 18:09:17 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8559 Message: 8559

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03 January 2009 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3B - Rachid, 3B8FQ reports that his working trip to St. Brandon Island (3B7) may be rescheduled for February. His earlier 3B7FQ operation was cancelled due to transportation problems. He is also planning a personal holiday with ham gear to Rodriguez Island (3B9FQ) in July, and a return trip to Agalega Island (3B6FQ) in November. Details will be provided as they are available. Meanwhile, Rachid is often QRV on 40-10 metres, CW and SSB. QSL via K5XK. [TNX K5XK]
3V - The TS7C [425DXN 912] multi-national team now includes 25 operators (namely DL1BDF, F1HRE, F2VX, F4AJQ, F4EGD, F4EVR, F5EOT, F5PED, F5UFX, F6AXX, F6BIV, F6CTT, F6ENO, F8BJI, F8IJV, F9IE, FM5CD, G0OPB, I2VGW, N2WB, N6OX, OE8KDK, OE8SKQ, OE9AMJ and ON7RN). They will leave Paris on 8 January and expect to be QRV with the first station from Chergui Island, Kerkennah (AF-073) in their late afternoon or early evening hours. They will be active until around 18-19 UTC on 18 January, as they will depart the island in very early morning of the 19th. They plan to have six stations active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, FM and digital modes (RTTY, PSK31, BPSK, SSTV), with special attention to be paid to 160 and 80 metres. The antenna farm will consist of verticals and wires for the low bands and Spiderbeams from 40 to 10m. QSL via F4EGD, direct or bureau. Please visit http://www.ts7c.net/ for further information, suggested frequencies, updates, QSLling instructions and on-line logs. [TNX F5NQL]
8Q - Andy, G7COD will be active again as 8Q7AK from Embudu, Maldives (AS-013) on 11-27 January. He plans to operate SSB and CW on 40-12 metres (suggested frequencies and operating schedule at www.qrz.com/8q7ak). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX G7COD]
9A - Seven special event stations will be active until 1 February from the host cities of the Men's World Handball Championship that is going to be held in Croatia (http://www.croatia2009.com/). Look for 9A2009OS (Osijek), 9A2009PO (Porec), 9A2009PU (Pula), 9A2009ST (Split), 9A2009VZ (Varazdin), 9A2009ZD (Zadar) and 9A2009ZG

(Zagreb). QSL via bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
C6 - Karney/W2AFC, Dave/N1EMC and Bill/NE1B will operate from Nassau (NA-001, Grid Square FL15), Bahamas with Tom/C6ANM during the following contests: CQ WW 160M CW (23-25 January), ARRL DX CW (21-22 February), CQ WW 160M SSB (27 February-1 March), ARRL DX SSB (6-8 March). Additional C6ANM DX activity on 160-6 metres will be from 1 January through 1 April. QSL C6ANM via LOTW (preferred) or direct to WA2IYO. [TNX NE1B]
CE - Esteban, XQ7UP and other seven operators from Chile and France will be active as XR5L from Santa Maria Island (SA-070) and lighthouse from 28 January to 4 February. They plan to operate SSB and CW on all bands. QSL via CE6AMN. Further information can be found on the Three Stars DX Group's website at http://www.3stardxgroup.cl/ [TNX XQ7UP]
E4 - Salvador, C31CT has joined the team (Vinicio/IK2CIO, Simone/IZ0BTV, Aurelio/IZ0EGM, Giorgio/IZ4AKS, Pasquale/IZ8IYX and Les/SP3DOI) that is currently active as E44M [425DXN 918] from Palestine. Operations started on 2 January and will continue until the local evening of the 10th, as the team is expected to leave on the 11th at 10h. Arturo, IK7JWY liaises with the team and the amateur radio community through the forum which can be found at http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=39. QSL via SP3DOI (bureau) or IZ0BTV (direct); further information, including QSLling instructions and on-line logs, at www.dxcoffee.com/e44m/
EA - Adolfo, EA7TV will be active as ED7TV from the two Rota lighthouses (ARLHS SPA-085 and SPA-339) on 9-11 January. He plans to operate on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX EA7TV]
FW - Eli/HA9RE, Laci/HA0NAR and Sara/HA9SDA will be active as FW5RE from Wallis Island (OC-054) starting on 27-28 January until 17 February. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres with two stations. QSL via HA8IB. Donations will be gratefully accepted (please contact ha9re@... if willing to help). [TNX HA8IB]
G - Founded in 1969 by the late John Morris, G3ABG, the Worked All Britain Awards Group celebrates its 40th anniversary. GB40WAB will be aired for the entire anniversary year from different locations, and it may be used from any of the seven British DXCC Entities. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Further information on the event and the relevant award can be found at http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/
HI - Simone, IZ5JNQ will be active as HI7/IZ5JNQ from the Dominican Republic (NA-096) between 5 January and 5 February 2009. He also plans to go and operate as HI2/IZ5JNQ from the coastal islands (NA-122) of Saona and Catalina during that time frame. [TNX IZ5MMB]
HK - Cody, KC2LSD will be active as HK3/KC2LSD from Colombia on 9-15 January. He plans to be QRV mainly around 23 UTC on 20, 30 and 40 metres, with some day time operation as well. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]
KH2 - Yoshi, JE2EHP will be active as K1HP/KH2 from Guam (OC-026) on 16-19 January. He plans to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF

bands and 6 metres. QSL via JE2EHP, bureau preferred. [TNX JE2EHP]
PA - Look for Raymond, PA6FUN to be active on various bands and modes
from Schiermonnikoog Island (EU-038) and lighthouse on 2-6
January. QSL via PE1GUR.
P4 - Peter, EA5GVH will be active as P40PZ from Aruba (SA-036) on 12-28
January. He will operate digital modes (PSK, Olivia, FeldHell,
SSTV, RTTY and others) and SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call.
[TNX NG3K]
S2 - The expedition to St. Martin's Island (AS-127) [425DXN 916] is now
expected to take place on 16-22 January. Six operators will be
active as S21DX on 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB and
RTTY. QSL direct to EB7DX. Please visit http://s2iota.eb7dx.com/
for further information and updates.
S7 - Jan, DL7JAN will be active as S79JF from Praslin Island (AF-024),
Seychelles from 22 February to 6 March. He plans to operate CW,
SSB, RTTY and maybe PSK31 on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call,
direct or bureau. [TNX DL7JAN]
TL - Chris (ex-5U5U) expects to start activity from the Central African
Republic (requested call TL0A) around 15 January. He will operate
in his spare time, with an amplifier and a 6-band yagi, plus
dipoles and a long wire. QSL to Christian Saint Arroman, Chemin de
Mouteguy, 64990 Urcuit, France. [TNX The Daily DX]
UA - A few activities for the World Flora Fauna Award are expected to
take place between 3 and 8 January. Look for UE1RFF/4 and UE9WFF/4
to operate from five different locations. QSLs via UA1RJ. [TNX
RW3GW]
VK - VI2BV90 is the special callsign issued to the Waverley Amateur
Radio Society (www.vk2bv.org), the oldest continuously licensed
amateur radio club in Australia, to celebrate its 90th
anniversary. The special callsign will be in use by the club
station from 24 January to 1 February. Expect SSB activity on on
or near 3590, 7090, 14190, 21190 and 28490 kHz. [TNX VK3FM]
W - Wade, AA8LL will be active as AA8LL/4 from Cedar Keys (NA-076)
from around 22 UTC on 17 January to around 17 UTC on the 20th.
Holiday style operating will be mostly CW and RTTY on 80-17 metres
with 100 watts and wires. QSL via AA8LL, direct or bureau. He will
upload his log to LoTW. [TNX AA8LL]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Udo, DL9HCU is currently active as 3D2HC from the Fiji
Islands. Starting around 8-9 January he will be on Banaba Island, possibly
signing T33HC. After that he plans to go and operate from Western Kiribati
as T30HC. QSL via DL9HCU. [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (December 2008) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

I2UIY MEMORIAL PLAQUE PROGRAMME ---> Two plaques will be sponsored annually by CQ Magazine for the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest and the CQ WW RTTY Contest in memory of Paolo Cortese, I2UIY. The recipients will be chosen by the CQ RTTY Contest Committee from among all single-operator entries from DXpeditions in that year's contest. Final score is only one aspect considered in determining the recipient: difficulty of the endeavor, rarity of location, contribution to the local environment, etc. are all factors that are important in determining the winner.

CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2009 edition started at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. Complete rules and submission information can be found at www.dxmarathon.com - and remember to submit your 2008 scores by 31 January 2009. [TNX K9EL]

CQ WW WPX CONTEST ---> The new rules for the 2009 CQ WPX Contest are now available (http://www.cqwpx.com/rules.htm). There are changes throughout the rules and, even though most of them are administrative and should have little impact on the competitive and fun aspects of the contest, participants are encouraged to read the complete rules carefully. The SSB event will be held on 28-29 March, followed by the CW event on 30-31 May.

DX SOUND CLIPS ---> Tom's (K8CX) DX sound clips for 2008 can be found at http://hamgallery.com/dx2008/; the collection of 120 streaming Real Audio DX clips covers all the major DXpeditions, plus rare and semi-rare DX.

HOGWASH FOR HAMSTERS ---> Jerry Spring, VE6CNU is the author of "Hogwash for Hamsters: A Light-hearted Look at the Hobby of Amateur Radio", a 111-page book that casts a humorous look at the hobby of amateur radio: "When we take ourselves less seriously, we become even better ambassadors to the world". Complete information can be found at http://www.trafford.com/08-1259

QSL BX2AAL ---> As of 28 December 2008, NI5DX is the QSL manager for Jack, BX2AAL. Buzz will be able to answer all requests for cards as soon as the logs are transferred and QSL cards are printed. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL II5EME ---> Direct and bureau cards for the 13th International EME Conference's special event station are being sending out. The Conference papers and a few photo galleries are available at http://www.eme2008.org/ [TNX IW5EIJ]

QSL RA1QKI/1 ---> The new QSL route for RA1QKI/1 (EU-102 and EU-160, August 2007) is via UA1RJ. [TNX UA1RJ]

QSL VIA UA1RJ ---> The "World Flora Fauna" (www.wff44.com) is an award programme for contacts made with amateur radio stations operating from

national parks and nature reserves worldwide. UA1RJ is the QSL manager for the following operations conducted by the WFF Russian Team in 2008: RA3AUU/3 (July), RW3GW/3 (July), UE1RFF, UE1RFF/1 (December), UE1RFF/3 (September-November), UE1TFF (July), UE1ZFF (July), UE3FFF/3 (July) and UE9WFF/1 (August). [TNX RW3GW]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (234 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (927 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2475 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (292 QSLs), Antarctic bases (719 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 245 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (228 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (95 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (511 QSLs), French Departments (508 QSLs) and USA (49 QSLs) plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (104 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit http://LesNouvellesdx.fr and send send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@... [TNX F6AJA]

QSL.NET ---> After 13 years of providing the amateur radio community with no cost web space, e-mail forwarding and mailing list services through QSL.net and QTH.net, Al Waller (K3TKJ) has decided to retire. All QSL.net and QTH.net servers and Internet connections at his home QTH are being turned down, while Scott, KA9FOX is in the process of migrating all services to new hardware. Please check http://www.qsl.net/ for updates on server migration.

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

VISALIA 2009 ---> Sponsored this year by the Northern California DX Club, the 60th Annual International DX Convention will take place on 17-19 April at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center in Visalia, California. Please visit www.dxconvention.org for further information and registration forms.

ZL DX HALL OF FAME ---> The newly established New Zealand DX Hall of Fame honours those outstanding ZL DXers who have excelled in our radio sport hobby over many years. After much deliberation the judges (ZL1AIH, ZL3JT and ZL3NB) were unanimous in their selection and have elected the first three ZL radio amateurs to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame for 2009: Roy Jackson (ZL4BO), Ron Wright (ZL1AMO) and Jock White (ZL2GX, SK). Details can be found at http://www.southgatearc.org/

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Rev. Padraic O'Kelly (EI5DA), Birgit Nilsson (SM7DBI, wife to Arne Nilsson, SM7AED) and Stanley A. Goldin (W2DNO).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3Z0HNY SP2FAP FM5BH W3HNK P29ZAD NI5DX
3Z0PGA SQ9NFD FR1AN NI5DX PA30KST PE9DX
3Z1PGA SQ9NFD G4BP 2E0JJB PJ4/WO0Z WO0Z
4A1DXXE N7RO GB2HLB GM3WUX R1ANC RN1ON
4K7Z UA3FDX GB5ONG MW6VHF RL6YXX N3SL
4U1UN HB9BOU GB90WWI G4PLY S21AM N4VA
4X4BL WA2KNC GX0OOO/p G4SSH S21RC EB7DX
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5R8GZ G3SWH HC5WW JA6GCE SN1PGA SQ9NFD
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BX2AAL NI5DX KC4AAA K1IED UN3M EA7FTR
C4EURO 5B4AHO KH6MB AI4U UN5J W3HNK
CE1/K7CA NW7O KZ6C/KH2 JA1CGH UN7CC KI6Y
CM6RCR W3HNK LX8RTTY LX1DA UN7QF EX2A
CN89NY EA7FTR LY1000GV LY2GV VE6AO VE6TN
CO6XN N3ZOM LY1000W LY3W VK0BP VK2CA
CO7EH AD4C LY1000WN LY2WN VK2IA DL8YR
CO8LY EA7ADH LY1000M LY3M VK6ANC VK6NE

CQ7EPC CT1BWU LY1000QT LY2QT VP9BO W4ZGR
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CT7FFM CT1IUA LZ17ARDF LZ1ZF XQ4CW XQ1KY
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CU3HQ EA3GHZ OD5TE K3IRV XW1B E21EIC
CX5TR EA5KB OE2BZL DK5AD YB1ALL W2FB
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ET3JA OK3AA OX3XR OZ3PZ ZP6CW ZP6CU

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8560. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 18:14:23 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8463 Message: 8560

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----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 7:56 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

You mean vinegaroons? The scorpions tht smell like vinegar?

73, Zack W9SZ

8561. [425ENG] 425 DX News #922 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 18:29:59 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8561 Message: 8561

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8562. ARLP001 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 20:01:49 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8562 Message: 8562

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 1 ARLP001
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 2, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP001
ARLP001 Propagation de K7RA

2008 was a year of very low solar activity. Over forty percent of this year's propagation bulletins reported zero sunspots for their respective weeks. The average daily sunspot number for the year was 4.7, and in 2007 it was 12.8.

The yearly averages of daily sunspot numbers for 1999-2008 were 136.3, 173, 170.3, 176.6, 109.2, 68.6, 48.9, 26.1, 12.8 and 4.7.

Two years ago we wrote, ''This is the first bulletin of 2007, the year we'll likely see the end of sunspot cycle 23, the beginning of cycle 24, and the minima between cycles''.

One year ago in the first bulletin of 2008 we noted the same quote from the previous year, and wrote ''Now a year later we might say the same about 2008''.

This is probably still true for past year, because since early 2008 we saw cycle 24 spots, and what looks like a slow increase in activity toward the end of the year, although a week of sunspots at the end of December would have helped to sustain the upturn.

We've been looking at a three month moving average of sunspot numbers, and the average for October-December, centered on November, was 4.4, about the same as the number 4.5 centered on October.

Here are the 3-month sunspot number averages since early 2007:

Jan 07 22.7
Feb 07 18.5
Mar 07 11.2
Apr 07 12.2
May 07 15.8
Jun 07 18.7
Jul 07 15.4

Aug 07 10.2
Sep 07 5.4
Oct 07 3.0
Nov 07 6.9
Dec 07 8.1
Jan 08 8.5
Feb 08 8.4
Mar 08 8.4
Apr 08 8.9
May 08 5.0
Jun 08 3.7
Jul 08 2.0
Aug 08 1.1
Sep 08 2.5
Oct 08 4.5
Nov 08 4.4

For those readers who track the solar cycle using Scott Craig's Solar Data Plotting Utility, there is a new data file on his website containing 20 years of data, from January 1, 1989 through December 31, 2008.

The program can automatically suck up the data from the text of our bulletins. You can download the software for Windows and the update from the WA4TTK web site at http://www.craigcentral.com/sol.asp. The updated data file is available directly from http://www.craigcentral.com/software/update.zip.

Mike Hoteling, KD7IBE of Colville, Washington wrote ''Just want to report some good propagation from northeastern Washington on 160 meters late at nite. These quiet sunspot conditions offer some unique opportunities. QSO into Wyoming and Texas complete with QSL cards with the century club on 1892 kHz with 100 watts into a 75 meter dipole at 35 feet. Don't be afraid to give it a try.''

Elwood Downey, WB0OEW of Socorro, New Mexico along with many other readers called attention to recent news from NASA that the ionosphere is now at lower elevation than in the past. I suppose this means that worldwide shortwave signals might not propagate as far. Read the article that Elwood sent at http://tinyurl.com/3p2pcs.

A number of readers, including Norm Priebe, W7ISD of Alexandria, Minnesota sent in links to articles about a big hole in our earth's magnetic field. Read about it at http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2008/16dec_giantbreach.htm. The magnetosphere helps protect us from solar wind, so if these findings are correct, it wouldn't take strong space weather to trigger aurora.

The local newspaper in Homer, Alaska ran an article this week about aurora borealis, which often can be seen from Homer. Read it at http://www.homertribune.com/article.php?aid=3733.

Dave Deatrick, WA8OLD was mentioned in ARLP051 back in December, 2006, when he told about the fun he was having on 40 meters with a shortened dipole in a vee configuration at 30 feet. He wrote again on December 20, 2008 to report more fun from the far north of Michigan with the same antenna, and about 4.8 db more power (300 watts vs. 100 watts). He lives about a mile from the Canadian border at Sault Ste Marie, and writes ''40 CW has been good lately, especially from about 1000 to 1200 GMT to Caribbean and South America. Just worked H6VA at 1155 this morning, December 20. Also was able to work a AH6 same time period during CQ WW CW test''.

Finally, nothing to do with propagation, but check out this link to a historical page dedicated to the Novice license: http://www.novice.bappy.com/index.html.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for December 25 through 31 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 69.3, 69.2, 69.4, 69.8, 69.8, 68.5, and 69.3 with a mean of 69.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 1, 1, 2, 0, 1 and 10 with a mean of 2.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1 and 8 with a mean of 2.3.
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8563. Art imitates life

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 21:51:55 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 8563 Message: 8563

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From Animal House (saw it again on New Year's Eve on cable, unedited), a scene in Dean Wormer's Office, reading out the semester grades for Delta House students: "Mr Blutosky, ZERO POINT ZERO."

Mark Lunday
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8564. Re: [DX-IS] Art imitates life

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 21:59:12 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8563 Message: 8564

Sounds like Ron Wright's signal report to those that called out of turn: yur
? by ?, QSL?
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: "Mark Lunday, WD4ELG" <mlunday@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 1:51 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Art imitates life

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1:10 PM

8565. RE: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 22:04:34 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8463 Message: 8565

Quite honestly, Bob, I am hardly a monarchist. When the Queen's birthday is, or isn't, is of no more import to me than my birthday is to her. Other than being a traditional holiday (I don't know when it was declared), the May 24th weekend in Canada is a time to unofficially welcome (usually after a cruel winter and a harsh spring), the start of warmer weather. Not only did we go swimming, but my mom packed a wonderful picnic lunch and we all ate at the beach -- before (or until) the mosquitoes found us :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of vk2sob@...
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 6:04 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Most parts of Australia still celebrate Queens Birthday Weekend.
Here in New South Wales it moves about between the 1st and 2nd weekend in June.
Currently it is celebrated on the second weekend.

The Queen is not impressed as it is not her Birthday at all!

Bob

As a kid I remember going swimming on the May 24th weekend every year. That's the weekend when Canada celebrates the Queen's birthday. I believe we may be the only country that celebrates the Queen's birthday -- I don't know why -- maybe so we could go swimming. And last time I saw the Easter bunny she was shivering wildly in her skimpy little bunny suit.

However, in the last decade, since Al Gore's prediction started to make sense, there's often ice in the harbour here and snow on the ground until mid-late May. Wait...wasn't that supposed to be global warming? These days, I'm hard pressed to put a toe in the ocean before July 15th.

For the kids, Dale, we've moved the outdoor Easter egg hunt to July 1st, our version of your July 4th, called Canada Day. And I give all the Easter eggs I find to the grandkids.

73

Al, VE1AL

AL;
Does that mean that you miss easter as it is commonly held in spring?
What's that commenwealth day?
Dale

8566. RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 22:13:59 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8534 Message: 8566

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 1:28 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

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8567. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 22:20:18 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8534 Message: 8567

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 2:13 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

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8568. Re: [DX-IS] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 22:26:47 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8463 Message: 8568

Oh - we had those. I remember when I was about 6 or so, getting in the car down in front of the bank, and looking down and one crawled out from under the seat. It was MONTHS before they got me to rid the car again. They are just big centepedes. There are smaller ones too, they are just the babies of the larger ones.

Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
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8569. RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-02 22:30:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8534 Message: 8569

<www.dokufunk.org>

When you go there, Gary, it is in German, natch. The little flags in the top right will translate -- a Union Jack for English. Then read the part about documentation and follow it through. It is fascinating.

73

Al, VE1AL

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

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8570. RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 01:45:25 UTC
From: Bernie McClenny, W3UR
Topic: 8534 Message: 8570

P5RS7 does not count for the ARRL DXCC program!

Bernie McClenny, W3UR
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-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 17:14
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

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8571. RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 01:56:14 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8534 Message: 8571

If you can find the information on the site I mentioned, Bernie, you'll see what I'm talking about. I think Derek's observation is correct. I never expected that my P5RS7 QSO would count.

HNY & 73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan
Leith
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 17:14
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

...which I did, Derek. No, the German site clearly stated (and I tried to cut the paragraph but couldn't) that early submitted P5RS7 cards were accepted. I sat back and gasped for two reasons -- the preposterousness of the statement and my expectation of veracity from the source.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 1:28 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

You might be confusing this with XY0RR, another phantom Romeo operation. This was before DXCC records were computerised, so they couldn't tell which card you had submitted for XY/XZ when they stopped accepting Romeo's cards. The DXCC people

basically told us to work another XY/XZ on the honour system.

I'm sure they never accepted P5RS7 cards.

Derek aa5bt

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8572. old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:32:52 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8572 Message: 8572

Was doing some mail box cleaning and found this interesting conversation going:

Probably true!
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On Tue, 4 Nov 2008, Paul M Dunphy wrote:

> At 12:08 AM 11/4/2008, you wrote:
>
>> I'm the same way. I have enough countries to be on HR (need a couple more
>> cards) but don't even have Phone DXCC. I'm probably short by about 20,
>> too. No interest, either, as long as I have Mixed.
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Dale K8TS

8573. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:32:44 UTC
From: Bob - KA9MOM
Topic: 8534 Message: 8573

http://www.qsl.at/common/romeo.html

url of P5RS7 info

Bob KA9MOM

Alan Leith wrote:
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> expected that my P5RS7 QSO would count.
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> HNY & 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of
> Bernie McClenny, W3UR
> Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 9:45 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7
>
> P5RS7 does not count for the ARRL DXCC program!
>
> Bernie McClenny, W3UR
> Get a free two week trial to THE DAILY DX
> http://www.dailydx.com/trial.htm <http://www.dailydx.com/trial.htm>
>
>

8574. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:40:35 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8534 Message: 8574

Al - the information is contradictory:
Consequenty the ARRL Headquarters in Newington, CT, issued DX Bulletin 11
ARLD011, February 21, 1996: "To all radio amateurs. Awards committee vote.
The ARRL Awards Committee met recently to review submitted documentation for
the 1992-93 P5RS7 operation submitted by Romeo Stepanenko. After a review of
all material available, the Awards Committee voted unanimously to disqualify
Romeo Stepanenko from participation in the DXCC program. This
disqualification is based upon Rule 12, Operations Ethics, and Rule 13. The
disqualification means that Stepanenko is not eligible to participate in the
DXCC program in any manner. This includes, as provided for under Rule 12,
paragraph (b) disallowance of contacts made with any station or DXpedition
operated by him from the time of this action." In other words: P5RS7
contacts submitted for the DXCC programm and accepted remained valid.

You can sort it out - rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 5:56 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7

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> what I'm talking about. I think Derek's observation is correct. I never
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8575. Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:48:01 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8575 Message: 8575

I went to the post office today to pick up a few stamps and was
told that Canadian Postal rates were increasing as of 12 January 2009.

They will increase as follows:

Canada to the USA - FROM $0.96 TO $0.98
Canada to any other country - FROM $1.60 TO $1.65

Note that in Canada we have to pay a tax (called the GST) of 13%
on postage stamps so the actual cost, come 12 January will become:

To the USA: $0.98 + $0.13 = $1.11
To any other country: $1.65 + $0.21 = $1.86

If you are sending return postage to Canada, please adjust
accordingly. Note that the strength of the US dollar against the CND
dollar *currently* means $1 USD will cover the $1.11 CDN to the USA,
but this fluctuates significantly. (At least this has in the past
year.) Your best bet is to somehow acquire Canadian stamps -- or
better yet use LoTW or the buro.

73, Paul VE1DX

8576. Re: [DX-IS] old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:48:29 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8572 Message: 8576

This is from Bill Moore:
Phone - #9,690 issued October 18, 1979

10 Meters - #18 issued July 1, 1988

I agree wiff Paul's statement - us SSB'ers have to put up wiff lotsa phone QRM - policemen telling us where to put it, VFO swishers and all the hams wot call out of turn.
rene

----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@...
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 6:32 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] old, old posts

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8577. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:48:45 UTC
From: Bob - KA9MOM
Topic: 8534 Message: 8577

Also here

http://dokufunk.org/amateur_radio/dxcc_entities/index.php?CID=782&ID=1092#A1092

Bob - KA9MOM wrote:
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> http://www.qsl.at/common/romeo.html <http://www.qsl.at/common/romeo.html>
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> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of
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> > Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 9:45 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> > Subject: RE: [DX-IS] P5RS7
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8578. Re: [DX-IS] old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:56:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8572 Message: 8578

At 10:32 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:

>IF my cw cert is # 9,963 and my phone cert is #32,913, does that
>just mean cw guys are much more lazier (sp) than phone guys?
>Dale K8TS

No, it is because they started issuing a CW DXCC certificate
much later in the DXCC game than PHONE and MIXED.

73, Paul VE1DX

8579. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 02:57:35 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 8534 Message: 8579

So the trial was to take place in 2005. Have not seen any follow-up information as to the outcome or if it even took place.

Anybody know???

73,
Bob
K2TK

8580. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:00:53 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8534 Message: 8580

All I read wuz the trial wuz in 2004 and he got 18 months - if that's the case - where is he?
rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob" <robertlarson@...>

> So the trial was to take place in 2005. Have not seen any follow-up
> information as to the outcome or if it even took place.
>
> Anybody know???
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> 73,
> Bob
> K2TK

8581. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:06:53 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8575 Message: 8581

Paul--your being taxed on a tax--Stand up for your rights! Use email :-}
Dale K8TS

--
Authorized Distributor
"Email" Stamps"
Bundle of 100 for $10.00
Fax check to 800 555-1212

8582. Re: [DX-IS] old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:10:37 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8572 Message: 8582

Yes, Paul....
You are right OM.....forgot about that
My humble apoligies
Dale K8TS

8583. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:17:23 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8575 Message: 8583

At 11:06 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:
>Paul--your being taxed on a tax--Stand up for your rights! Use email :-}
>Dale K8TS
>
>--
>Authorized Distributor
>"Email" Stamps"
>Bundle of 100 for $10.00
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Yeah, that was pointed out when that tax was implemented in the 1980s. Stands for "Goods and Services Tax." Applies to almost everything. If I get a haircut, it's a service. Suppose the barber charges $10. I get to pay $11.30.

And you are correct . . . a postage stamp was, at least historically, a tax to cover the cost of transporting mail. So applying the GST to the "service" of transporting mail is indeed a tax on a tax.

You'all will love a GST if you ever get one in the USA (it's the same as the VAT - Value Added Tax in Europe.) They tax everything! Labour costs. You pay a mechanic $300 to fix your car and they add 13%. You buy the damn car for $20,000 and they add 13%, which comes to $2,600. So your $20,000 car ends up costing $22,600.

Great cash grab for the government. But remember, we are a socialist/communist country and we get lots of social programs like free medicare. It all works out in the end, I think! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

8584. Re: [DX-IS] old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:18:54 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8572 Message: 8584

Also, as of now, so few operators know or use CW, we are going to see more difference between the two certificate applications.

Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
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From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 9:56 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] old, old posts

At 10:32 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:

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8585. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:22:05 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8575 Message: 8585

Yeah guys, try some of the Value Added Tax so many counttries now have. They dont need income taxes, when they have to spend an additional 15 percent (or so) tax every time a raw product is sold, manafactured to a product, then sold and sold and sold again finally to the user. By that time, the price has more than doubled.

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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
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----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 10:06 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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8586. Re: [DX-IS] old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:30:27 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8572 Message: 8586

At 11:18 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:
>Also, as of now, so few operators know or use CW, we are going to
>see more difference between the two certificate applications.
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>Danny Douglas
>N7DC

There is just as much CW activity in the world of DX as there
was 20 years ago. The most successful DXpedition so far (VP6DX at
184K QSOs) made more CW contacts than SSB.

73, Paul VE1DX

8587. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:37:30 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 8575 Message: 8587

The USA is following Canada as a socialist country. I suspect we will get taxed on stamps and services soon.

Al
W4ABW
**********New year...new news. Be the first to know what is making headlines. (http://www.aol.com/?ncid=emlcntaolcom00000026)

8588. Re: [DX-IS] P5RS7

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:51:33 UTC
From: Michael Keane K1MK
Topic: 8534 Message: 8588

On 1/2/2009 9:57 PM, Bob wrote:
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> information as to the outcome or if it even took place.
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Romeo (aka Roman Vega) is currently sitting in the Brooklyn Metro
Detention Center
<http://www.bop.gov/locations/institutions/bro/index.jsp>. The US
Attorney's Office in NYC indicted him on additional counts of wire
fraud, etc.

<http://www.bop.gov/iloc2/InmateFinderServlet?Transaction=NameSearch&needingMoreList=false
&FirstName=roman+&Middle=&LastName=vega&Race=U&Sex=U&Age=&x=0&y=0>

8589. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 03:58:13 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8575 Message: 8589

At 11:22 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:
>Yeah guys, try some of the Value Added Tax so many counttries now
>have. They dont need income taxes, when they have to spend an
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do and run for a position as an elected official on a platform of
eliminating the GST on postage stamps, I'll vote for you, OK?

73, Paul VE1DX

8590. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 04:07:43 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8575 Message: 8590

Not only no - Heck no. Too cold up there for me, besides Id have to start DXCC, HR, WAS etc. all over again, and having done that 5 or 6 times , thats enuff.

Danny Douglas
N7DC
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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
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From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 10:58 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

At 11:22 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:

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8591. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 04:15:55 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8575 Message: 8591

One of the things our governor is trying to do is put a 9¢ tax on veterinary services. He is also trying to increase the state sales tax by 1½%, Drivers license by $5 and vehicle registration by $20. CA is running out of money next month...
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: W4ABW@aol.com
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 7:37 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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8592. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 04:20:34 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8575 Message: 8592

WB6PSY wrote:
> One of the things our governor is trying to do is put a 9? tax on veterinary services. He is also trying to increase the state sales tax by 1?%, Drivers license by $5 and vehicle registration by $20. CA is running out of money next month...
>
A guy I listen to on XM radio is fond of saying "you can't out-earn
your stupidity" -- seems we all might learn form that one.

7 3
Earl

--
KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

8593. Re: old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 12:50:36 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8572 Message: 8593

Yes, but you would think 33 years would be more than enough to make up more difference than there is at the moment (the CW award only began in 1975). The bottom line seems to be that SSB is still (and, unfortunately, always will be) more popular.

CW isn't dead and most likely will still be going gangbusters when you and I are dead and buried (although my plans are to be deep fat fried!). *And* a surprising number of the newer license holders are attracted to CW. But the great majority of those coming in (and I'll bet that holds true for a number of years) go directly to SSB and never depart!

Art - N4PJ

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8594. Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 12:58:47 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8575 Message: 8594

A suggestion was made the other day that the government raise the federal gas tax by 50%. I think that comes out to something like another 20 cents to the gasoline price. Group A argues that the tax will hurt the disadvantaged. Group B points out that if you buy gas, you're using the roads the gas tax helps pay for.

This morning I saw where one state is proposing a mileage tax instead of a gas tax. They think GPS technology will allow them to keep track of motorists and tax them for the miles they drive.

I guess that means that there will be a new department under the energy czar (just exactly what does our energy department do?), tasked with hiring zillions of people to keep track of the GPS miles (and those who either rip out their GPS or hack into them or...).

I thought I was retired. Appears maybe the only way to keep passing bigger tax burdens on to our children and grandchildren is if we all end up working for the government!

Maybe I could run for office on a DX platform - promise more sunspots, more DX, more entities, more bands...

Art - N4PJ

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

8595. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 13:26:50 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 8575 Message: 8595

WB6PSY wrote:
>
>
> One of the things our governor is trying to do is put a 9¢ tax on
> veterinary services. He is also trying to increase the state sales tax
> by 1½%, Drivers license by $5 and vehicle registration by $20. CA is
> running out of money next month...
> rene
>
And you know what the worst thing is, Gary? He'll *Be Back!*

73 & HNY to all

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, Nova Scotia

8596. E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 14:41:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8596

Anyone in NA work the E44M operation yet? Could hear them S1 on 17M SSB earlier but EU all over them. Maybe in a few days when the pileups die down. Apparently they have a high (S9) noise level.

73, Paul VE1DX

8597. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 15:16:25 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8597

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Win

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 8:41 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] E44M

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8598. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 17:24:02 UTC
From: mike giddings
Topic: 8454 Message: 8598

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Mike G3XLB

--- On Sat, 1/3/09, Win <w0lz@...> wrote:

From: Win <w0lz@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, January 3, 2009, 10:16 AM

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8599. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 18:36:23 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8599

At 01:24 PM 1/3/2009, you wrote:
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>20M at 1700 UTC, band more or less closed here and high noise level.
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only" and then working the "4AB" guy in the next breath. I realise
they are just hearing a zoo on their end, but you have to stick with
the guy you come back to or the pileup falls apart and the QSO rate
drops dramatically.

To be fair, I'm here, and they are there, so it might be easier
said than done. It will settle down in a few days.

73, Paul VE1DX

8600. The Greyline report

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 22:49:40 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8600 Message: 8600

http://www.tcdxa.org/January%202009%20Grayline.pdf

8601. Re: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-03 23:51:20 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8575 Message: 8601

Michigan is working real hard on that one. They passed a bill for such a goods and services, but somewhere it got nipped just before the enactment date. But being the dilligent represatives we elected, are not failing us. They are trying it again.
Dale K8TS
--
Authorized Distributor
"Email" Stamps"
Bundle of 100 for $10.00
Fax check to 800 555-1212

8602. Re: [DX-IS] Re: old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 00:02:42 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8572 Message: 8602

cw cuts the mustard better than phone, fewer cops, less interference........all this from a card carring phone man.
Dale K8TS

8603. Re: [DX-IS] Re: old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 00:06:36 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8572 Message: 8603

...& SSB? Cuts the cheeze?
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 4:02 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: old, old posts

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Dale K8TS

8604. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 00:05:45 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8575 Message: 8604

Indiana has a "wheel tax" in some counties
Dale K8TS

8605. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 00:08:26 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 8575 Message: 8605
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8606. Re: [DX-IS] Re: old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 00:19:49 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8572 Message: 8606

it can be done on ssb, dont' get me wrong, I have certificate to prove it,

First Place-ARRL DX
SOSB (40) MICHIGAN SECTION

Only problem is that I was the only one to enter that catagory from MI :-)
Certificate looks neat though
Dale K8TS

8607. XY0RR QSL - On The Wall!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 03:03:16 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8607 Message: 8607

See http://www.qsl.at/down/xy0rr.pdf for the story of XY0RR.... real or Memorex? WFWL.... now I wonder when its time to submit.

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

8608. [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 03:46:01 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 8575 Message: 8608

Hey Art... you've got my 10 votes!

73 de Bob - K?RC in MN (the land where nothing is allowed)

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 6:58 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009
>
>
>> Maybe I could run for office on a DX platform - promise more
>> sunspots, more DX, more entities, more bands...
>>
>> Art - N4PJ
>

8609. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 03:52:17 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8575 Message: 8609

> 73 de Bob - K?RC in MN (the land where nothing is allowed)

"Everything not specifically prohibited is mandatory"

Go Vikings!

73, de Hans, K0HB

8610. A nice surprise, propagation on 20 M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 06:44:02 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 8610 Message: 8610

0500 UTC today, 20 meters was open to south Africa and Australia at the same time. I worked several ZS stations, and heard VK7 in a rag-chew. Reminds me fondly of the days in 1979 in Central Calif when I was running a JA pileup on 15 meters SSB at 2200 local time, or fall of 1990 in central Georgia when I would call CQ on 20 CW at 0200 local time and I would get responses from EU, VK/ZL, and South America all at the same time. I still check my logs to make sure it was not a dream!

Things can only get better, propagation-wise.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@...
http://wd4elg.net

8611. SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 07:54:59 UTC
From: vk2sob@box701.com
Topic: 8611 Message: 8611

Happy new year.
A question came up here the other day ...
When snow is on the ground does it become a good Ground Plain?

Bob
VK2SOB

8612. Re: [DX-IS] SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 13:33:34 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8611 Message: 8612

I don't think so!!

First, you VKers are supposed to be in your summer season, what's this question about snow?

Second, I just measured the resistivity of my local snow bank at 1 meter. The value is OFF SCALE high. That is >19.99 Megohms. That doesn't sound like a good value for a ground plane.

DD, W1MCE
----- Original Message -----
From: vk2sob@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 04, 2009 2:54 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Happy new year.
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Bob
VK2SOB

8613. RE: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 04:23:48 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 8575 Message: 8613

Ah, but (if it passes) will that tax increase actually have an affect on the funds spent on highways?

Every few years, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvannia increases the gas tax by about a nickel. Always on the argument that due to higher costs & higher wear & tear, the highway repair fund needs more shekels.

So what happens?

Well, a certain amount of "non gas tax" funding from the General Funds gets transferred from the highway fund to other purposes, equal to a certain percentage of the expected increase in gas tax income. Somewhere around 40-50% or so of the proposed increase, maybe more if you can ever dig all the details out.

About 20-25% of the increase is immediately allocated to the State Police to cover higher costs of highway patrols and so forth.

About 20% gets allocated to mass transit -- and an equal amount of General Funds then gets transferred out of mass transit, so that's actually a wash for the mass transit funding.

And there are other little dings here & there along the way. Pet projects, political payoffs, the usual corruption. (Any other state set up grants for their legislators, nicknamed locally Walking Around Money?)

The bottom line is that of the extra nickel per gallon that we allegedly pay in the higher gas tax towards highway repair, if we're lucky, about a penny (give or take) of that actually increases the fund. Now factor in 4 to 5 years of inflation, and the net result is no actual increase in the dollars spent... but a higher tax that funds other things.

So the feds want to increase the federal gas tax by 50%? Think they won't play the same shell game?

Bring on E4!

73

-----Original Message-----
From: "Art Burke" aburkefl@... aburkefl
Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 5:24 am ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

A suggestion was made the other day that the government raise the federal gas tax by 50%. I think that comes out to something like another 20 cents to the gasoline price. Group A argues that the tax

will hurt the disadvantaged. Group B points out that if you buy gas, you're using the roads the gas tax helps pay for.

This morning I saw where one state is proposing a mileage tax instead of a gas tax. They think GPS technology will allow them to keep track of motorists and tax them for the miles they drive.

I guess that means that there will be a new department under the energy czar (just exactly what does our energy department do?), tasked with hiring zillions of people to keep track of the GPS miles (and those who either rip out their GPS or hack into them or...).

I thought I was retired. Appears maybe the only way to keep passing bigger tax burdens on to our children and grandchildren is if we all end up working for the government!

Maybe I could run for office on a DX platform - promise more sunspots, more DX, more entities, more bands...

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
>
> At 11:22 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:
> >Yeah guys, try some of the Value Added Tax so many counttries now
> >have. They dont need income taxes, when they have to spend an
> >additional 15 percent (or so) tax every time a raw product is
sold,
> >manafactured to a product, then sold and sold and sold again
finally
> >to the user. By that time, the price has more than doubled.
> >
> >Having a tax on stamps is just plain stupid. Just put the real
> >price on them. The government gets all the money anyway.
> >
> >
> >Danny Douglas
> >N7DC
>
> You can move to Canada, and become a Canadian citizen. If
you
> do and run for a position as an elected official on a platform of
> eliminating the GST on postage stamps, I'll vote for you, OK?
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX

8614. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 15:26:45 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8614

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Win, W0LZ

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 12:36 PM
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8615. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 15:33:22 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 8454 Message: 8615

Yep, the jammers are out in full force.

Just wait until 2011 when we near solar max and all the dormant cicadas are awake and roaming the bands.

73 Rich NN3W

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From: Win
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 04, 2009 10:26 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M

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8616. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 15:44:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8616

At 11:26 AM 1/4/2009, you wrote:
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>Donald's jobs.
>
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Sure hope so, Win. That's the one of the few advantages of
getting old . . . we don't have to go anywhere tomorrow.

I was just going to post something about that. Sounds like a
keyboard keyer because I notice the pattern of some of the random
characters being sent on top of him match the layout on the keyboard
like "QWERTYUIOP" stuff.

The jamming of this operation seems particularly nasty. The
small minds who do this are a disgrace to Ham radio. Might be
related to the politics in that part of the world, but those who
think jamming a DXpedition is going to change anything are just that;
small minded.

We'll work them sooner or later. I did get them on 20 SSB
yesterday (logs are updated), and there were was some viscous
swearing taking place on their transmit frequency. That's twice I've
been on 20M SSB in the past 6 months or so, and both times it wasn't
"LID" and "HE'S LISTENING UP, DUMMY!", but instead vulgar obscenities
and profanity like I have never heard on HF before.

The hobby has changed. What a shame. We Hams *had* a good
reputation for almost a century. De-regulating it has destroyed it
beyond repair.

73, Paul VE1DX

8617. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 16:09:16 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8617

Did you copy the VA2 calling QC over and over? I m not going to put out his full call because I am sure he was not real. He may have been too close to you.

Win

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 04, 2009 9:44 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M

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8618. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 16:18:18 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8618

At 12:09 PM 1/4/2009, you wrote:
>Did you copy the VA2 calling QC over and over? I m not going to put out his
>full call because I am sure he was not real. He may have been too close to
>you.
>
>Win

No, didn't hear him. That's fairly short skip for 20M and we
only hear VE2s when conditions are just right. You are almost
certainly correct that it was someone else using his call
though. Not that there are any legal consequences for doing that
stuff these days, but no one is going to ID with their own call when
they jam. The kill two birds with one stone; jam the other guy and
make it look like it was someone they have a hate out for.

They got the heck jammed out of them on 30M RTTY, and from the
look of the spots 40M is just as bad. Has to be politically
motivated as I've never seen such vicious jamming within 1-2 minutes
of a cluster spot. I gave up and am playing in the ARRL RTTY thing.

73, Paul VE1DX

8619. Acknowledging jammers encourages them!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 16:32:32 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8619 Message: 8619

Recent comment on "jammers" and their activities including profanity - I recall our military communications "play book" said not to acknowledge jamming as doing so provided the jammer with information on their effectiveness and encouraged them to continue. If there is no audience or the audience cannot hear the message, why continue to transmit? Never respond to a jammer, just ignore them (and DF them, coordinating off frequency if you can).

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
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8620. Re:SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 16:39:26 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8611 Message: 8620

For all practical purposes, snow is an insulator and has no effect on antenna performance.

73, de Hans, K0HB

8621. Re: [DX-IS] Re:SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 16:44:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8611 Message: 8621

At 12:39 PM 1/4/2009, you wrote:
>For all practical purposes, snow is an insulator and has no effect
>on antenna performance.
>
>73, de Hans, K0HB
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Hans is correct. Some years ago I had a HF6V with a ton of
radials under it, and I couldn't tell the difference when the ground
was bare or when there was 3-4 feet of snow.

Also have a friend who was running phased verticals on 30M, and
we always marveled how the snow had no effect on its performance.

73, Paul VE1DX

8622. Re: [DX-IS] Re:SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 16:57:26 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8611 Message: 8622

Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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What is snow?

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8623. Re: [DX-IS] SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 17:30:44 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8611 Message: 8623

It might be a good ground 'plain' but not a good ground 'plane'
rene ex VK2ZIZ

----- Original Message -----
From: <vk2sob@...>

> Happy new year.
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>
> Bob
> VK2SOB

8624. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 17:55:33 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8454 Message: 8624

Paul, etal - that wuz the main reason I left the lower bands in favour of 10 metres - a whole lot less QRM. Example: 3Y?X in February 2006 I worked them split and gave him an exaggerated report of 3x2 (never moved the S meter) and there didn't seem to be any interference on his tx frequency. In April 2007 I worked N8S (stoopid call) and gave him a 3x1. Try that on the lower bands. I have dozens of countries/entities worked that were barely perceptible - why? No interference or minimal comments like, 'he's up 5' or 'wrong VFO' and an occasional tuning carrier as some think they have to tune exactly where the DX is.
rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
> Sure hope so, Win. That's the one of the few advantages of
> getting old . . . we don't have to go anywhere tomorrow.
>
> I was just going to post something about that. Sounds like a
> keyboard keyer because I notice the pattern of some of the random
> characters being sent on top of him match the layout on the keyboard
> like "QWERTYUIOP" stuff.
>
> The jamming of this operation seems particularly nasty. The
> small minds who do this are a disgrace to Ham radio. Might be
> related to the politics in that part of the world, but those who
> think jamming a DXpedition is going to change anything are just that;
> small minded.
>
> We'll work them sooner or later. I did get them on 20 SSB
> yesterday (logs are updated), and there were was some viscous
> swearing taking place on their transmit frequency. That's twice I've
> been on 20M SSB in the past 6 months or so, and both times it wasn't
> "LID" and "HE'S LISTENING UP, DUMMY!", but instead vulgar obscenities
> and profanity like I have never heard on HF before.
>
> The hobby has changed. What a shame. We Hams *had* a good
> reputation for almost a century. De-regulating it has destroyed it
> beyond repair.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

8625. Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 19:05:36 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8454 Message: 8625

Tried about an hour the other day on 17 CW. He was working a U.S. call every once in a while, but predominatly EU guys were the ones getting through.

Don't need it except for the prefix.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
>
> Anyone in NA work the E44M operation yet? Could hear them S1 on
> 17M SSB earlier but EU all over them. Maybe in a few days when the
> pileups die down. Apparently they have a high (S9) noise level.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

8626. K1MAN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 19:09:08 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8626 Message: 8626

Here's a link to K1MAN and why he can still use his call. Long but degrading...

http://www.ve7kfm.com/baxter.html

rene
- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow & Dutch Elm Disease
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

8627. Re: old, old posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 19:09:16 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8572 Message: 8627

My sentiments exactly. Given the choice between getting a new one on CW or SSB, give me CW any day of the week.

I did break down last year and worked hard on SSB. Brought my confirmed numbers up into the 290s. Unfortunately, that may be indicative of how bored I was with all the rest of the DX (or the lack thereof!). Yes, there was some surprisingly good DX last year, but the run-of-the-mill every day stuff was severely lacking - we don't seem to hear very many Russians lately!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, k9ttt@... wrote:
>
> cw cuts the mustard better than phone, fewer cops, less interference.....all this from a card carring phone man.
> Dale K8TS
> Yes, but you would think 33 years would be more than enough to make up
> more difference than there is at the moment (the CW award only began
> in 1975). The bottom line seems to be that SSB is still (and,
> unfortunately, always will be) more popular.
>
> CW isn't dead and most likely will still be going gangbusters when you
> and I are dead and buried (although my plans are to be deep fat
> fried!). *And* a surprising number of the newer license holders are
> attracted to CW. But the great majority of those coming in (and I'll
> bet that holds true for a number of years) go directly to SSB and
> never depart!
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@> wrote:
> >
> > At 10:32 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:
> >
> > >IF my cw cert is # 9,963 and my phone cert is #32,913, does that
> > >just mean cw guys are much more lazier (sp) than phone guys?
> > >Dale K8TS
> >

> > No, it is because they started issuing a CW DXCC
certificate
> > much later in the DXCC game than PHONE and MIXED.
> >
> > 73, Paul VE1DX
> >
>

8628. Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 19:14:14 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8575 Message: 8628

Saw a snippet from a movie recently - something about a guy who worked for the Mob. He walked into the boss's office (played by Albert Finney) and the mayor and another guy were sitting in there. When asked if he knew the mayor, the guy replied "I voted for him 5 times in the last election." The mayor grinned and replied "And that wasn't even the record!"

When I lived in eastern Kansas (yuppieville) they even taxed my pet!

We're going to be so knee-deep in a deficit burden that the guvmint is going to find a way to tax our QSLs via LotW!

Marsha is in the shack in shorts - eat yer heart out! Not that she's that foxy, just that it's so damned hot!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Robert Chudek - K0RC" <k0rc@...> wrote:
>
> Hey Art... you've got my 10 votes!
>
> 73 de Bob - KØRC in MN (the land where nothing is allowed)
>
>
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
> > To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 6:58 AM
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009
> >
> >
> > > Maybe I could run for office on a DX platform - promise more
> > > sunspots, more DX, more entities, more bands...
> > >
> > > Art - N4PJ
> >
>

8629. Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 19:18:05 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8575 Message: 8629

Most of the guys on the list are perfect strangers. Well, not perfect, but you know what I mean!

I met several of them last year when I went to Minnesota. Hans looks like he sounds/writes (as I probably do as well) and Bob is really Mr. Mild-Mannered behind that intellectual facade!

That was my first trip back to Minnesota in many, many years. Had a great time at the W0DXCC convention. Hope to go again some day. We were not carried away either by the deer flies or the mosquitoes!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "K0HB" <kzerohb@...> wrote:
>
>
>
> > 73 de Bob - KØRC in MN (the land where nothing is allowed)
>
> "Everything not specifically prohibited is mandatory"
>
> Go Vikings!
>
> 73, de Hans, K0HB
>

8630. Re: SNOW AND GROUND PLAINS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 19:19:12 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8611 Message: 8630

Only if it's held in place by a ground rod! GROAN!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <vk2sob@...> wrote:
>
> Happy new year.
> A question came up here the other day ...
> When snow is on the ground does it become a good Ground Plain?
>
> Bob
> VK2SOB
>

8631. Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 19:21:06 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8575 Message: 8631

Isn't that classified information? You just can't go around
explaining to people how the government really works!

Homeland Security will be tapped into your cluster node any day now!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@...m, "Ron Notarius W3WN" <wn3vaw@...> wrote:
>
> Ah, but (if it passes) will that tax increase actually have an
affect on the
> funds spent on highways?
>
> Every few years, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvannia increases the
gas tax by
> about a nickel. Always on the argument that due to higher costs &
higher
> wear & tear, the highway repair fund needs more shekels.
>
> So what happens?
>
> Well, a certain amount of "non gas tax" funding from the General
Funds gets
> transferred from the highway fund to other purposes, equal to a
certain
> percentage of the expected increase in gas tax income. Somewhere
around
> 40-50% or so of the proposed increase, maybe more if you can ever
dig all
> the details out.
>
> About 20-25% of the increase is immediately allocated to the State
Police to
> cover higher costs of highway patrols and so forth.
>
> About 20% gets allocated to mass transit -- and an equal amount of
General
> Funds then gets transferred out of mass transit, so that's
actually a wash
> for the mass transit funding.
>
> And there are other little dings here & there along the way. Pet
projects,
> political payoffs, the usual corruption. (Any other state set up
grants for
> their legislators, nicknamed locally Walking Around Money?)

>
> The bottom line is that of the extra nickel per gallon that we
allegedly pay
> in the higher gas tax towards highway repair, if we're lucky,
about a penny
> (give or take) of that actually increases the fund. Now factor in
4 to 5
> years of inflation, and the net result is no actual increase in
the dollars
> spent... but a higher tax that funds other things.
>
> So the feds want to increase the federal gas tax by 50%? Think
they won't
> play the same shell game?
>
> Bring on E4!
>
> 73
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: "Art Burke" aburkefl@... aburkefl
> Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 5:24 am ((PST))
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan
2009
>
> A suggestion was made the other day that the government raise the
> federal gas tax by 50%. I think that comes out to something like
> another 20 cents to the gasoline price. Group A argues that the tax
> will hurt the disadvantaged. Group B points out that if you buy
gas,
> you're using the roads the gas tax helps pay for.
>
> This morning I saw where one state is proposing a mileage tax
> instead of a gas tax. They think GPS technology will allow them to
> keep track of motorists and tax them for the miles they drive.
>
> I guess that means that there will be a new department under the
> energy czar (just exactly what does our energy department do?),
> tasked with hiring zillions of people to keep track of the GPS
miles
> (and those who either rip out their GPS or hack into them or...).
>
> I thought I was retired. Appears maybe the only way to keep passing
> bigger tax burdens on to our children and grandchildren is if we
all
> end up working for the government!
>
> Maybe I could run for office on a DX platform - promise more
> sunspots, more DX, more entities, more bands...

>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@> wrote:
> >
> > At 11:22 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:
> > >Yeah guys, try some of the Value Added Tax so many counttries
now
> > >have. They dont need income taxes, when they have to spend an
> > >additional 15 percent (or so) tax every time a raw product is
> sold,
> > >manafactured to a product, then sold and sold and sold again
> finally
> > >to the user. By that time, the price has more than doubled.
> > >
> > >Having a tax on stamps is just plain stupid. Just put the real
> > >price on them. The government gets all the money anyway.
> > >
> > >
> > >Danny Douglas
> > >N7DC
> >
> > You can move to Canada, and become a Canadian citizen. If
> you
> > do and run for a position as an elected official on a platform of
> > eliminating the GST on postage stamps, I'll vote for you, OK?
> >
> > 73, Paul VE1DX
>

8632. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #891

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 20:24:09 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 8632 Message: 8632

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 28th/December, through Sunday, 4th/January there were 216 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2008 A SPOTLESS YEAR! Lee, KH6BZF/7J1AAP, propagation guru, informed OPDX that "We have experienced some very Sunspot lacking days during 2008." There were 272 spotless days out of the 366 days (Leap Year) or 74.37% of the year's days! August and December were the worst months with 31 and 28 spotless days, respectively. June and November were the best months with 19 and 15 spotless days, respectively. The rest of the months (of the year) were all in the twenties.

2008 DX SOUND BITES! Tom, K8CX, has done it again. He has provided DXers with 120 memorable DX sound clips from 2008. Visit Tom's famous "HAM GALLERY" Web at: http://hamgallery.com/dx2008
While there also check out some of his other features on his Web page, such as: Rare DX Sound Clips of the past, QSL Card Museum, Dayton Photo Galleries and Tribute to Silent Key Ham Operators.

2009 DX MARATHON (Now Underway!). John, K9EL, Program Manager of the CQ DX Marathon, reports: "The 2009 edition of CQ Magazine's 2009 edition of the DX Marathon is now underway! Each year from January 1 to December 31, CQ Magazine sponsors a challenge to work as many countries and zones as possible in the calendar year. For complete rules and submission information, please see our web site at: www.dxmarathon.com. The 2009 official DX Marathon score sheet is now available for download. Remember to submit your 2008 scores by January 31, 2009."

3B7, ST. BRANDON ISLAND (Update - Also 3B6 and 3B9). Ron, K5XK, updates OPDX that Rachid, 3B8FQ, reports that his working trip to St. Brandon Island (3B7), may be rescheduled for February. His earlier 3B7FQ operation was cancelled due to transportation problems. He is also planning a personal holiday with ham gear to Rodriguez Island (3B9), in July, and a return trip to Agalega Island (3B6) in November. The callsigns will be 3B7FQ, 3B9FQ, and 3B6FQ. QSL all three operations via K5XK at his new address per instructions on QRZ.com. More details will be provided as they become available. Meanwhile, Rachid is often active on all bands, 40-10 meters using CW and SSB (from Mauritius).

8Q, MALDIVES. Just a reminder that Andy, G7COD, will be operational for his fifth time from the Island of Embudu in the Kaafu Atoll (AS-013) using the callsign 8Q7AK between January 11-27th (2009). Activity will be CW and SSB on 40-10 meters including 30/17/12 meters. He plans to be operational every day from approximately 0730-0830z, 0900-1030z, 1300-1500z and 1730-1800z. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003 and 24893 kHz (+/- for QRM)
SSB - 7063, 14147, 18133, 21253 and 24953 kHz (+/- 10 kHz)
For comprehensive details on QSL information etc, please check 8Q7AK on QRZ.COM.

A35, TONGA (6m History Continues). Paul, A35RK, continues to be active on 6m enjoying the sporadic E season in the South Pacific. As well as making the first A3/VK 6m digital QSOs on December 26th and the 27th, Paul made the first 6m A3/ZL digital QSO with Duncan, ZL3JT, followed on the 28th with John, ZL3AAU. A35RK to ZL3JT on RTTY is another 6m "first" in amateur radio milestones.

A35, TONGA. World traveller and Uruguay DX Group member Bert, CX3AN, will be active as A35HA from Tonga's main island, Tongatapu (OC-049) for one week starting February 14th. He informs OPDX that he will be active on 40-6 meters with a special emphasis on 30/17 meters using CW and SSB, and only 100 watts from his Icom 706 into dipole antennas. His activity will be limited because he will be on a family holiday trip. Bert will be operating alone this time, not like other trips where his

good friend Mario, CX4CR, usually would join him. QSL via CX3AN.

ANTARCTICA/POLAR WEB INFORMATION. Members of the "French Polar Team" have
been putting together some interesting information/pictures (with music)
of the different polar and sub-Antarctic regions. The Web page also has
details on how to achieve their "Polar Trophy". They have created the
Polar Trophy with the aim to stimulate the radio contacts with these
regions as well as with the polar ships. This challenge is also sub-
divided into the Antarctic Challenge and the Arctic Challenge. Visit
this interesting Web page at: http://www.french-polar-team.fr/index.php
Also, view the following polar ships/stations/islands at:
Rothera (Station R) on Adelaide Island --
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/VP8_Rothera_Station_R_Adelaide_Island.php
Base H on Signy Island (South Orkney archipelago) --
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/VP8_Signy_Station_H_Signy_Island_South_Orkney.php
Marion Dufresne II (Polar Ship) --
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/Polar_Ship_Marion_Dufresne_II.php
Marambio base on Seymour Island --
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/LU_Marambio_Station_Seymour_Island.php
Juan Carlos I Station on Livingston Island --
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/EA0_Juan_Carlos_I_Station_Livingston_Island.php

ASIAN TRIP (Update). Frank, I2DMI, has ended his A52RY operation from
Thimphu, Bhutan, on December 30th. However, he has announced that his
9N7DMI activity from Nepal must be cancelled. He returned to Italy on
January 1st. No other details were provided. Remember, A52RY QSOs will
be put on the LoTW and e-QSL the second week of January. Bureau cards
will go out the fourth week of March. You can QSL direct to I2DMI:
P.O. Box 55, 22063 CANTU, Italy. Include a self addressed envelope (SAE)
and sufficient return postage. Please QSL only to his P.O. Box # 55,
22063 Cantu (not his home address).

C5, THE GAMBIA. Niels, OZ8KR, will be active as C56KR from Bakuto between
January 9-14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB. His equipment is a
FT-857 and wire antennas. After travling in Senegal (6W - no activity
planned) he will be active again between January 23rd and February 4th.
QSL via his home callsign.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Karney/W2AFC, Dave/N1EMC and Bill/NE1B (C6AWB)
will operate from Nassau (NA-001, Grid Square FL15) with Tom/C6ANM during
the following contests: CQ WW 160 CW (January 23-25th), ARRL DX CW
(February 21-22nd), CQ WW 160 SSB (February 27th-March 1st) and ARRL DX
SSB (March 6-8th). Additional C6ANM DX activity will be on 160-6 meters
between January 1st and April 1st. QSL via LOTW.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (DXpedition Postponed). Duane Traver, WV2B, the CY0
DXpedition Team Leader, sent out a press release on January 1st, that
states the following (edited):
"Dear Fellow DXers,
Reluctantly, due to the current U.S. economic situation, the DXpedition
team has decided to postpone the CY0 DXpedition planned for 2009. While

we are hopeful to reorganize the DXpedition {possibly for 2010}, we have decided that rather than tie up the funds so graciously made available by our sponsors, we will return donations received so the sponsorship may be available to other DXpeditions for this year. Any sponsoring organization may feel free to contact me with any questions regarding the matter. We are hopeful that our kind sponsors will be willing to renew their sponsorship when the Dxpedition is able to be reorganized in the future. The sabledx.com website will remain functional for the time being. Wishing all good DX and 73.
Sincerely, Duane Traver, WV2B Team Leader"

E4, PALESTINE (Update). The E44M is now active until January 11th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and all the digital modes with a maximum power of 1KW. They will have 3 stations on the air active with beams, verticals and wire antennas. The E44M arrived late on January 1st, but did not start setting up until the next day. Arturo, IK7JWY, has been named as their pilot station for their activity. They state, "The function of the pilot station will be to collect requests and suggestions relating to the DXpedition, and then forward them to the team, and communicate to the public any instructions or information from the team." The pilot station will be only using the forum at http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=39
to receive messages from users in the special area of discussion.
The E44M Web page is at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/e44m

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Phil, F5PHW, has received a 2 year assignment in Tahiti which will begin during the summer of 2009. He intends to be active on all HF bands from 80-10 meters using only 100 watts into a few different antennas composed of a doublet or a HF6VX vertical, and a Spiderbeam. Modes of activity will be mainly CW and Digital with very little SSB. QSL will be by LoTW, and there may be a QSL Manager who will be chosen later. More information is forthcoming, especially about his callsign.

GB40, ENGLAND (Special Event). Look for special event station GB40WAB to be aired between January 1st and December 31st to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Worked All Britain Awards Group (WAB). Activity will not be at a permanant location and may be used from any of the 7 UK countries. The GB40WAB callsign will be running for the entire year, but other GB*WAB callsigns will also be on the air along with their club callsigns of G4WAB and G7WAB, using the club identifier prefixes of GX, GC, GS, GN, GP, GT and GH. Working these stations is an integral part of the WAB award. The WAB does NOT require QSL cards to be sent to them, but all contacts made by GB40WAB will be QSLed by them via the bureau. For more details, please see their Web site at:
http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk
ADDED WAB NOTE: The special event callsign GX4KPT (by the Keep People Talking CASHOTA Club), used during the "Three Castles In One Day" operation in December, has a new WAB book number of 18222. QSL via M0DOL, direct or by the bureau.

H7/YN7, NICARAGUA. Operators Stan/AC8W, Hank/K8DD, Jim/KB8TXZ and Lee/
N8LJ will be active for one week starting February 14th. Their activity
will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd). Emphasis will
be on 160/80 meters and 30/17/12 meters. Their callsigns (TBA later)
will be either be H7/homecall or YN2 callsigns. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

IOTA NEWS.............................
NA-076. Wade, AA8LL, will be active as AA8LL/4 from Cedar Key, FL,
between 2200z, January 17th and 1700z, January 20th. Activity
will be holiday style on 80-17 meters, mostly CW on the IOTA
frequencies and RTTY using only 100 watts and wire antennas.
This operation also counts for USI: FL041S as Way Key. QSL
direct or by the bureau to AA8LL. Logs will also be uploaded
to the LoTW.

P4, ARUBA (SA-036). Peter, EA5GVH, will be active as P40PZ and on holiday
between January 12-28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using SSB and
the digimodes (PSK, Olivia, FeldHell, SSTV, RTTY and possibly others).
QSL via EA5GVH. Visit his P40PZ Web page at:
http://www.mydarc.de/df7dq/aruba2009.htm

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium
(CCC) will activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA
LH-0942) as PJ2/homecall during the end of February. Operators mentioned
are Dan/N1ZZ, Geoff/W0CG, Jim/WI9WI, Mark/N5OT, Mal/NP2L, Jim/K6ZH and
Charles/WA9S. Their main goal is the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd)
as a Multi-? entry using the callsign PJ2T. QSL PJ2T via N9AG or LoTW.
QSL all others via their home callsigns. Visit the CCC Web site at:
http://www.pj2t.org

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL ROUTES by Johannes, DK8JB:
3Z0HNY via SP2FAP
KZ6C/KH2 via JA1CGH
RQ9I via RW9IM
YB8XM direct (PO BOX 151 AMBON 97001)

LOG ONLINE. The log for the special event station 4A1DXXE is now
available online at:
http://www.dxxe.org/logsearch/index.php?cmd=preselect&log=4A1DXXE
It is planned to update the online log once a day until activity ends.
QSL for 4A1DXXE is via N7RO or LoTW.

NO LONGER THE QSL MANAGER FOR CT3BX. Hermann, HB9CRV, announced that
as of December 31st, 2008, he is no longer the QSL manager of CT3BX.
No new QSL Manager has been nominated and the logs are closed.

QSL UPDATES FOR HC8N and K5S (NA-082). Randy, W5UE, reports that all
direct requests received for HC8N as of December 19th, have been answered
and are in the mail. The remaining incoming QSLs of 2008 for HC8N should
be in the mail by January 5th. QSL cards for K5S/K5Z, East Ship Island,
MS (IOTA NA-082) activity in October have been received from the printer
and direct requests have started going out. The K5S team was expected to

have a "QSL Party" on January 3rd and the remaining direct requests received to date should be answered then. Randy states, "I have also started accepting online requests for direct cards for stations I manage. The process is fairly simple. Make an online donation via PayPal to cover my postage/card costs and send me QSO data via E-mail. My hope is that this method will be more cost effective and efficient for both you and me as manager. Please see my Web page for details at: http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue.html
I welcome any feedback you might have on this process. Bureau requests are now being answered via the GlobalQSL service. Several thousand backlogged HC8N requests have already been entered and should be finding their way into the bureau system soon. I apologize for my lack of bureau responses since hurricane Katrina... this should put me back on track."

HAVE PATIENCE! QSL cards are still being received for the many UA4WHX operations. Vlad is still sending them out.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5Z1A, 5Z4DX, ER0WW, H44MY, PZ5RA, SJ2W and XV4BM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5N/LZ1QK, 9L0W, 9L1X, 9M6XRO/p, 9Q1D, C6AKX, C6ATA, C91R, CN2B, CU2X, ER0WW, HB0/PA3FGA, OA4BHY/2, OJ0B, OJ0J, PJ7/K1XM, S79NS/P, TO4X, UA9MA, V73NS, VK1ANU/5, VU4MY and YU8/OH2R

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 6W1SJ, 9A73AA, DR1A, HB9LH, HB10DX, J48IO, J48YL, LY4L, LY2FN/P, OX3MC, PA20NAFRAS, R375I, SO9R, TA2DS/0, TC0SV, TK/ON4AXU, V31FG/P and YI9RKB

QSL.NET & QTH.NET ANNOUNCEMENT. Al Waller, K3TKJ, announced on December 31st (2008) the following (edited):
Dear fellow hams,
After 13 years of providing hams with no cost web space, e-mail forwarding and mailing list services through QSL.net and QTH.net, I have decided to retire. All QSL.net and QTH.net servers and Internet connections at my home QTH are being turned down.
Scott, KA9FOX, has graciously decided to pick up where I left off, and he is in the process of migrating all services to new hardware. See below (on <http://www.qsl.net/index.html>) for an update on the status of the migration.
I want to thank all of you for all of your support over the years, and I hope that you will support Scott as he takes over the reigns.
See you on the air! 73 - Al Waller, K3TKJ"

TS7, TUNISIA (Update/IOTA Op). Members of the France Provins ARC (F6KOP) and some international operators will activate Kerkennah Island (AF-073) using the callsign TS7C between January 8-19th (2009). This 12 day operation would not be possible without the help of Mustapha, DL1BDF. According to the latest press release (edited) by Maurice, F5NQL: "All the luggage is packed and sorted by 25kg parcels (one per operator). Mustapha, DL1BDF, team member, was a great help to so we could obtain the use of the special callsign TS7C. As indicated in "Press Release No.1, some new comers in the DXpedition have been included in the team, to permit them to get some more skill, operating side by side with long time

experienced DXpeditioners. They are the future operators of F6KOP next expeditions. We ask your indulgence for them; they are learning what to do in the pile-ups, and for some of them, TS7C will be their first DXpedition. We will stay on Chergui Island (IOTA AF-073 and WLOTA 3459), in the Kerkennah Group. Their departure is scheduled from Paris, on January 8th, in the early morning. The team will begin to set-up the first station immediately when they arrive at the Kerkennah Hotel. So, the first signals are expected the same day at the end of the afternoon or early in the evening. The departure from Kerkennah is scheduled very early in the morning of the 19th. So the operation end will happen sometime around 1800 or 1900z, in the evening of the 18th. As usual, one station will continue to be on the air in the evening as late as possible. For the new bands and/or modes hunters, we will be operating on the HF bands, 160-10m, using CW, SSB, FM, and the Digital modes (RTTY, PSK31, BPSK, SSTV). We will pay special attention on the lower bands, 160/80m. Of course you'll find operators on the other bands and modes. Six stations will operate at the same time, 24 hours a day. Sometimes it will be possible to hear TS7C on the same band but different modes. The antenna farm will consist of vertical and wire antennas for the lower bands and Spiderbeams for 40-10m. Since the first press release the team had to be changed a little. The complete team going to Tunisia has been finalized and the team consists of the following:
Frank/F4AJQ - SSB and Digimodes; Team leader and former leader of all the past F6KOP DXpeditions
Mustapha/DL1BDF - SSB and Digimodes; Public relation with Tunisian authorities
Bernard/F9IE - CW traffic leader
Bob/N6OX - SSB traffic leader
Jean-Paul/F8BJI - Digital traffic leader
Sylvain/F4EGD - SSB and Digimodes; He is also the QSL Manager of the DXpedition.
Gerard/F2VX - SSB
Bill/N2WB - CW and SSB
Michel/FM5CD - CW, SSB and Digimodes
Sabastien/F5UFX - CW and SSB
Sabastien/F8IJV - SSB
Jean-Luc/F6BIV - SSB and Digimodes
Norbert/F6AXX - CW
Alain/F6ENO - CW
Dieter/OE8KDK - SSB and Digimodes
Stefan/OE8SKQ - CW
Mathieu/F5PED - CW
Eric/ON7RN - CW and SSB
Henri/F1HRE - SSB
Franco/F4EVR - SSB
Michel/F5EOT - SSB
Arno/OE9AMJ - CW and SSB
Joseph/F6CTT - SSB and Digimodes
Tony/G0OPB - CW and SSB
Gabriele/I2VGW - CW, SSB and Digimodes

XYL Anne Marie LAURENT, Photo reporter

BACK OFFICE (still the same):
Pilot Stations: Pascal/F5JSD, Serge/F6AML, Thierry/F4TTR and Bruno/F5AGB.
Webmaster: Vincent, F5MJV.
Internet Communications: Maurice/F5NQL (UFT mailing list) for TS7C. To
receive TS7C news/updates directly via your E-mail address
both in English and French, send E-mail to: f5nql@...
QSL via Sylvain, F4EGD, either direct or by the REF-Union Bureau (Please
only via this bureau). Details are available on the DXpedition's Web site
on how to QSL. Support and donations are welcome. Those who want to sponsor
us can see how to do so on the sponsor's page on the TS7C Web site."
The TS7C Web page is: http://www.ts7c.net

V6, MICRONESIA. Paul, A35RK, informs OPDX that Mike/KM9D and Jan/KF4TUG
are on the move again. The "SV Don Henry" is now enroute to Pohnpei,
Federated States of Micronesia. Their ETA is currently unknown, operation
plans unknown, possible callsigns unknown, and their possible length of
stay unknown.

V8, BRUNEI DARUSSALAM. Sam, G4OHX, reports that he expects to fly into
Brunei on February 11th (from Singapore where he will be on holiday for
a day or two) and will be active as V8FHX until February 23rd. When he
leaves, he will fly to Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia, and fly
home on the 25th of February.

ZM1, NEW ZEALAND. Operators Jacky/ZL3CW, Akinori/ZL1GO, Romeo/ZL2RU and
Robert/ZL1AIH will be active as ZM1A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest
(March 7-8th) and ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Multi-Single
entries. QSL via ZL1AMO.

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KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@... - OR - kb8nw@...
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

/EXIT
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Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw@... --or-- kb8nw@...
Editor of the "Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin" (OPDX - "DXer's Tool of Excellence")
President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

8633. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-04 21:11:00 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 8575 Message: 8633

Well you could live in Texas where up until a few years ago the state gas tax paid for nearly all of the highway construction and repairs in Texas.

Then the State Legislature, which meets in odd years from January through June, in all of its infinite wisdom decided to lump the gas tax into the state's "general" fund to stave off a tax increase for the general fund.

Now we have a governor who loves toll roads and is committed to building toll roads all over the place, even leasing them out to foreign corporations to run rather than the state. The state even waited until one state highway (TX 121) was nearly finished with state tax money then at the last minute after spending tax money decided to make it a toll road, and the money wouldn't go for that road, but for "other" roads all over the state.

Plus now the state wants to raise the state gas tax an additional 10 cents a gallon to pay for "highway repairs" because people are traveling less and thus the state isn't making as much money. He even wants to raise annual vehicle registration fees (license plates) to several hundred $$ a year.

What's next, toll booths at the end of everyone's driveway? One state rep is proposing that each vehicle owner be taxed on the number of miles driven each year. Exact details haven't been announced if you'd pay the tax at annaul inspection time or when you renew your licnese plates, but you'd pay a tax based on miles driven, even though some might not have been in Texas.

As they say its dangerous times in Texas when the state legislature is in session. Back in the 1970s one state senator, who was tired of fellow senators introducing resolutions praising people and no one ever knowing who these people were. So he introduced and got passed a resolution praising Albert DeSalvo of Massachusetts for his efforts at population control. Albert DeSalvo was the accused "Boston Strangler."

I'm sure this staunch Republican (me) is already on the FBI's and Homeland Security's watch list. Years ago back in the 1970s and early 1980s before I earned my license I was an SWL and periodically received program "guides" for English language broadcasts from Radio Moscow, Radio Havanna, etc.

Also, my former next door neighbor, a retired Dallas TX Police Officer now deceased, subscribed to "Soviet Life" magazine just to irritate the Postal Inspection Service and the FBI.

73 de Tom, WW5L

--- On Sun, 1/4/09, Art Burke <aburkefl@...> wrote:

> From: Art Burke <aburkefl@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Sunday, January 4, 2009, 1:21 PM

> Isn't that classified information? You just can't go
> around
> explaining to people how the government really works!
>
> Homeland Security will be tapped into your cluster node any
> day now!
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Ron Notarius W3WN"
> <wn3vaw@...> wrote:
> >
> > Ah, but (if it passes) will that tax increase actually
> have an
> affect on the
> > funds spent on highways?
> >
> > Every few years, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvannia
> increases the
> gas tax by
> > about a nickel. Always on the argument that due to
> higher costs &
> higher
> > wear & tear, the highway repair fund needs more
> shekels.
> >
> > So what happens?
> >
> > Well, a certain amount of "non gas tax"
> funding from the General
> Funds gets
> > transferred from the highway fund to other purposes,
> equal to a
> certain
> > percentage of the expected increase in gas tax income.
> Somewhere
> around
> > 40-50% or so of the proposed increase, maybe more if
> you can ever
> dig all
> > the details out.
> >
> > About 20-25% of the increase is immediately allocated
> to the State
> Police to
> > cover higher costs of highway patrols and so forth.
> >
> > About 20% gets allocated to mass transit -- and an
> equal amount of
> General

> > Funds then gets transferred out of mass transit, so
> that's
> actually a wash
> > for the mass transit funding.
> >
> > And there are other little dings here & there
> along the way. Pet
> projects,
> > political payoffs, the usual corruption. (Any other
> state set up
> grants for
> > their legislators, nicknamed locally Walking Around
> Money?)
> >
> > The bottom line is that of the extra nickel per gallon
> that we
> allegedly pay
> > in the higher gas tax towards highway repair, if
> we're lucky,
> about a penny
> > (give or take) of that actually increases the fund.
> Now factor in
> 4 to 5
> > years of inflation, and the net result is no actual
> increase in
> the dollars
> > spent... but a higher tax that funds other things.
> >
> > So the feds want to increase the federal gas tax by
> 50%? Think
> they won't
> > play the same shell game?
> >
> > Bring on E4!
> >
> > 73
> >
> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: "Art Burke" aburkefl@... aburkefl
> > Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 5:24 am ((PST))
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Increase in Canadian postal rates
> - 12 Jan
> 2009
> >
> > A suggestion was made the other day that the
> government raise the
> > federal gas tax by 50%. I think that comes out to
> something like
> > another 20 cents to the gasoline price. Group A argues

> that the tax
> > will hurt the disadvantaged. Group B points out that
> if you buy
> gas,
> > you're using the roads the gas tax helps pay for.
> >
> > This morning I saw where one state is proposing a
> mileage tax
> > instead of a gas tax. They think GPS technology will
> allow them to
> > keep track of motorists and tax them for the miles
> they drive.
> >
> > I guess that means that there will be a new department
> under the
> > energy czar (just exactly what does our energy
> department do?),
> > tasked with hiring zillions of people to keep track of
> the GPS
> miles
> > (and those who either rip out their GPS or hack into
> them or...).
> >
> > I thought I was retired. Appears maybe the only way to
> keep passing
> > bigger tax burdens on to our children and
> grandchildren is if we
> all
> > end up working for the government!
> >
> > Maybe I could run for office on a DX platform -
> promise more
> > sunspots, more DX, more entities, more bands...
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
> >
> > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy
> <list_dx@> wrote:
> > >
> > > At 11:22 PM 1/2/2009, you wrote:
> > > >Yeah guys, try some of the Value Added Tax so
> many counttries
> now
> > > >have. They dont need income taxes, when they
> have to spend an
> > > >additional 15 percent (or so) tax every time
> a raw product is
> > sold,
> > > >manafactured to a product, then sold and sold
> and sold again

> > finally
> > > >to the user. By that time, the price has
> more than doubled.
> > > >
> > > >Having a tax on stamps is just plain stupid.
> Just put the real
> > > >price on them. The government gets all the
> money anyway.
> > > >
> > > >
> > > >Danny Douglas
> > > >N7DC
> > >
> > > You can move to Canada, and become a
> Canadian citizen. If
> > you
> > > do and run for a position as an elected official
> on a platform of
> > > eliminating the GST on postage stamps, I'll
> vote for you, OK?
> > >
> > > 73, Paul VE1DX
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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8634. Where in Palestine are the E44M team?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 00:50:19 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8634 Message: 8634

Without getting into the politics of it, does anyone know where the E44M team are located? I presume the West Bank, and not Gaza! At any rate, I'm just curious if anyone knows from which city/location in Palestine they are operating?

73, Paul VE1DX

8635. calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 03:08:12 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8635 Message: 8635

Sitting and listening to E44M on 40 meters. He is working, and saying UP3. The following are some of the things I heard in a 5 minute period(when I could actually hear him when someone wasnt calling him on HIS own freq.

He called They called WE3L 8LSK ,K2QLN, K8LSK
(same one - several times) Loudest of 3 or four.

W4RJ WA5FC

N1CW 4 OR 5 JUMBLED IN TOGETHER

At this point, there were not enough calling on his frequency, so someone came in and said QRL? Three responded to him.

K4BM GT3EH (or ES - as he sent it both ways)

VE2TZ K7SC, NL, EI etc.

All of these on 7028, which was up exactly 3

I would apologize only if those calls I heard, were not on the air, and apparently someone else wanted to play Pirate, and get the credit for someone other than themselves.

Now- I know that WE ALL ocassionally call when we shouldnt, We hear him say CQ, we call twice or three times, go back and there is nothing there, we call again *not realizing he heard someone else call once, responded to them and has already turned it back to them before we stopped our second or third call ((how DO they do that??--- especially on vocie calls) , but we try not to. But to be the one that people can hear over-and-over should be embarrasing. Especially when giving ones call equates to yelling your name out loud in church.

This is exactly what makes it difficult for all of us to work these expeditions. Interfering with someone else, out of turn equates to cutting in line at a movie theater only there, someone is likely to get punched in the eye.

I paraphrase the Golden Rule: LISTEN UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM LISTEN UNTO YOU.

Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for

those who do.

8636. Re: [DX-IS] calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 03:28:00 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8635 Message: 8636

----- Original Message -----
From: "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...>
> Now- I know that WE ALL ocassionally call when we shouldnt, We hear him
> say
> CQ, we call twice or three times, go back and there is nothing there, we
> call again *not realizing he heard someone else call once, responded to
> them
> and has already turned it back to them before we stopped our second or
> third
> call

Why would you call twice or three times?

>((how DO they do that??--- especially on vocie calls)

Easy - he heard someone giving their call ONE time and came back to him
while yur still calling.

> but we try not
> to. But to be the one that people can hear over-and-over should be
> embarrasing.

Some have found that the DX will work you for calling a dozen times wiffout
letting go of the pickle jez to get you off the band

> This is exactly what makes it difficult for all of us to work these
> expeditions. Interfering with someone else, out of turn equates to
> cutting
> in line at a movie theater only there, someone is likely to get punched in
> the eye.

Unless you were in the Special Forces ;-)

> I paraphrase the Golden Rule: LISTEN UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM
> LISTEN UNTO YOU.

I thought it wuz: Do unto others as you would have others do unto you - BUT
do them furst! Or wuz it Do unto others before they do unto you?
rene

8637. Re: [DX-IS] calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 03:59:38 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8635 Message: 8637

At 11:08 PM 1/4/2009, you wrote:
>Sitting and listening to E44M on 40 meters. He is working, and saying UP3.

<snip>

I guess I got there before the mess started. It was actually civilized for the first 10 minutes when they switched from SSB to CW. I managed to get them after about 5 minutes of trying, but the natives were getting restless on this TX frequency. As usual he was sending UP 2 USA after every QSO, and still the EU guys kept calling.

This left me in the usual position. I'm not in Europe, and I'm not in the USA, and I'm not in JA. (Those are the three areas 95% of all DXpeditions call for - you know, EU EU or JA JA or USA USA ONLY?) I figured, given NAFTA, I could sneak in under the USA's turn, so I did. They are never going to call for Canada.

I wish someone would convey to DXpeditions to ask for NA instead of USA. It's not like there are a million DXers in Canada or Mexico. They don't say F, DL, G, etc for Europe, so why USA? Oh well, I worked them anyhow, and then went back and played the RU game on teletype.

Thanks for the RTTY QSO today. I couldn't hear K1ZZ either (on 40M), but worked him later on 80M.

73, Paul VE1DX

8638. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 04:24:47 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8638

"I wish someone would convey to DXpeditions to ask for NA instead of USA."

Wonder what a Brazilian has to say about this ;-)

VP6DX is the only expedition I recall asking for SA specifically.

I assure you, if I ever went on a DXPedition, "USA" would mean
"Western Hemisphere," and I think most ops would agree.

Maybe they should send "WH" but that would just confuse a bunch of
people who seem really on the edge of non-comprehension if not
plummeting down into the chasm.

"USA" means "Europe shut the #($& up"

73
Dan

8639. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 04:34:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8635 Message: 8639

At 12:24 AM 1/5/2009, you wrote:
>"I wish someone would convey to DXpeditions to ask for NA instead of USA."
>
>Wonder what a Brazilian has to say about this ;-)
>
>VP6DX is the only expedition I recall asking for SA specifically.
>
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>"Western Hemisphere," and I think most ops would agree.
>
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>people who seem really on the edge of non-comprehension if not
>plummeting down into the chasm.
>
>"USA" means "Europe shut the #($& up"
>
>73
>Dan

I worked'em all plus a bunch of deleted ones by ignoring "USA ONLY." Never had one DXpedition tell me to QRX because I was in Canada. The only reason I brought it up is because I feel a millisecond twinge of guilt before I send my call when they are asking for a specific country other than mine . . . but it only lasts a millisecond.

VP6DX was the DXpedition by which all others will be measured for decades to come. When guys on the other side of the planet are working them during the first couple of nights on 160M barefoot by loading up an 80M dipole, you know they (VP6DX) are in a class all of their own.

As far as what a Brazilian thinks, PY7ZZ is from Brazil, and he has them all worked too. I don't think he did it by waiting for them to specifically call for Brazil. :-)

The real trick is being able to work them when they are calling for EU only, and it's your last shot at them 'cuz propagation is fading and they are leaving the next day. Can't tell you how that's done, but it's been done it more than once and the caller didn't get a NIL! Us Old Timers have some secrets we can't share! >:-}

73, Paul VE1DX

8640. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 04:44:17 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8635 Message: 8640

Hmmmm When I was out, US meant USA and Canada, and any Mexicans that wanted to throw in, and I knew the difference. Or CQ central and South America". Thats the one the Mexicans seemd to not know where they lived. Is just easier to say that way, if that is what you want. . Most over here understand that. But - If I really wanted to hit particular states, Those are what I asked for. " CQ West coast" CQ East Coast, CQ midwest, CQ Southwest, CQ western Canada-- or more often that not CQ Texas, CQ North or So Dakota, etc.
In Hong Kong, it was 'CQ DX - NO JAPAN" I had so many of those, I didnt count QSL cards, but just weighed them. Maybe not a supprise, but the Japanese listened to that, and followed my instructions. They knew they would get their turn, and could hear me most anytime I was up.
Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: n3oxdan
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 04, 2009 11:24 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

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people who seem really on the edge of non-comprehension if not
plummeting down into the chasm.

"USA" means "Europe shut the #($& up"

73
Dan

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8641. OLD QSL´s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 08:29:08 UTC
From: Luciano
Topic: 8641 Message: 8641

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HV3SJ 1985

73 de Luciano PT7WA"

8642. Re: [DX-IS] OLD QSL´s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 08:51:54 UTC
From: Jean-Michel Duthilleul
Topic: 8641 Message: 8642

Dear Luciano

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I think you can find most of your answer on our web site as
http://LesNouvellesDX.fr

for FH4ED
http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie2.php?page=topten&pfx=FRG&id=FR/G/FH4ED
the operateur was probably F5LVR (same name as FH4ED)
MAGNUSZEWSKI GÉRARD
72 RUE DU MARECHAL JOFFE
67700 SAVERNE (FRANCE)

for FR5ZU: he has is own web site as:
http://pagesperso-orange.fr/jacques.quillet/pages/les_iles_eparses.html

for FT8XB
http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie2.php?page=taafqsl&pfx=FT5X&id=FT8XB

F5FLN
ROUSSELET MICHEL
709 LE MOULIN
33880 BAURECH (FRANCE)

for FT8ZH (I think it's FT5ZH)
http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie2.php?page=taafqsl&pfx=FT5Z&id=FT5ZH

for FT8ZA
http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie2.php?page=taafqsl&pfx=FT5Z&id=FT8ZA

F6GWO
DESHOUILLERES JEAN CLAUDE
9 RUE DES VARENNES
71640 MERCUREY (FRANCE)
f6gwo@...

Good luck

Best wishes and happy new year 2009

Jean-Michel F6AJA

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73's from Jean Michel F6AJA
exHW6AJA, TK6AJA, TO6AJA, FE6AJA
YO/F6AJA, F6AJA/VE2, 5R8FI, F6AJA/BY4RJZ
Op at 5Z4JD, 5R8EN/P
Merite du Clipperton DX Club (1996)
Merite National du REF (1998)
Redactor for the french DX bulletin LNDX
Webmaster for http://LesNouvellesDX.fr
IOTA checkpoint for France
e_mail: LesNouvellesDX@...
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8643. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 11:58:06 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8635 Message: 8643

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And when no one's really in charge of the mob.....

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...> wrote:
>
> Sitting and listening to E44M on 40 meters. He is working, and saying UP3.
> The following are some of the things I heard in a 5 minute period (when I
> could actually hear him when someone wasnt calling him on HIS own freq.
>
> He called They called WE3L
8LSK ,K2QLN, K8LSK
> (same one - several times) Loudest of 3 or four.
>
> W4RJ WA5FC
>
> N1CW 4 OR 5 JUMBLED IN TOGETHER
>
> At this point, there were not enough calling on his frequency, so someone
> came in and said QRL? Three responded to him.
>
> K4BM GT3EH (or ES - as he sent it both ways)
>
> VE2TZ K7SC, NL, EI etc.
>

> All of these on 7028, which was up exactly 3
>
>
> I would apologize only if those calls I heard, were not on the
air, and
> apparently someone else wanted to play Pirate, and get the credit
for
> someone other than themselves.
>
> Now- I know that WE ALL ocassionally call when we shouldnt, We
hear him say
> CQ, we call twice or three times, go back and there is nothing
there, we
> call again *not realizing he heard someone else call once,
responded to them
> and has already turned it back to them before we stopped our
second or third
> call ((how DO they do that??--- especially on vocie calls) , but
we try not
> to. But to be the one that people can hear over-and-over should
be
> embarrasing. Especially when giving ones call equates to yelling
your name
> out loud in church.
>
> This is exactly what makes it difficult for all of us to work
these
> expeditions. Interfering with someone else, out of turn equates
to cutting
> in line at a movie theater only there, someone is likely to get
punched in
> the eye.
>
> I paraphrase the Golden Rule: LISTEN UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD
HAVE THEM
> LISTEN UNTO YOU.
>
>
>
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>
>
> Danny Douglas
> N7DC
> ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
> SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
> All 2 years or more (except Novice)
> Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
> I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
> those who do.

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8644. NO PSK-31 SIGS 04 JAN 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 14:00:02 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8644 Message: 8644

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Unbelievable! Usually 15 to 30 DX stations simultaneously heard this time of day.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

8645. Re: [DX-IS] NO PSK-31 SIGS 04 JAN 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 14:19:40 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8644 Message: 8645

Just checked here and there were no signals at all, but suddenly 20-30 second later I saw and heard one signal, then a dozen more popped in. Copying O0FZ, SM5GRD, PD0DK,GW0GHF, R0DK N4DC, ON4DS, SM5GRD and HA1ZW. Signals were increasing in strength then suddenly appeared to be getting weaker again, then once again came up stronger. Its going to be one of those days.

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From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
To: Carl Smith
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 9:00 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] NO PSK-31 SIGS 04 JAN 2009

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 14:47:13 UTC
From: wd4elg_base
Topic: 8641 Message: 8646

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> 73 de Luciano PT7WA"
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Luciano,

I have tried to get the HV3SJ card from my contact in 1981. The QSL
manager is SK and the logs are lost. If you get a better answer,
please let me know.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
http://wd4elg.net

8647. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 16:01:04 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8635 Message: 8647

At 07:58 AM 1/5/2009, you wrote:
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>certain calls are the same people you see on the road everyday - the
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>
>Art - N4PJ

Well, the LIDs just drove E44M off of 30M. Constant jamming on
his TX frequency (10.123 MHz) for about an hour made it impossible
for him to work anything.

Just imagine what will transpire if a 7O or P5 operation ever
surfaces. I honestly believe it's all over. It was a hobby of the
20th century.

73, Paul VE1DX

8648. Re: [DX-IS] Re: OLD QSL´s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 19:04:07 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8648 Message: 8648

----- Original Message -----
From: "wd4elg_base" <mlunday@...>
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> please let me know.
>
> Mark Lunday
- -
Sri - I looked up my contact of 1979 and the manager Sorry, I0DUD was not found in the database

Rene

8649. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 22:53:22 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8635 Message: 8649

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Dale K8TS
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8650. RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 23:06:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8635 Message: 8650

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73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of k9ttt@...
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 6:53 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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8651. RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 23:08:22 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8635 Message: 8651

Whoops!! Someone signing E44M is on 7023 QSX up 3. So, I apologize to WB2EZG, even if he's a kc low.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 7:06 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

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8652. RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 23:11:57 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8635 Message: 8652

what a zoo! thanks for the spot!

aint this what this site is all about?

--
Dale K8TS

8653. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-05 23:20:30 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8635 Message: 8653

You're correct on that, Al
rene on the Left Coast
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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8654. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 00:15:35 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8635 Message: 8654

Had to laugh at N8DC's E44m spot, "no please just me".

Win, W0LZ

8655. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:06:27 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8655

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...> wrote:
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You can blame it on "everyone" if you want, but let me suggest something on my little personal crusade.

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73
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8656. Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:11:14 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8656 Message: 8656

Following up on the last post.

Do you personally know a LID who blind calls in pileups and never shuts up?

When you hear bad behavior in the pileups, is it ever someone you've actually met, had a QSO with, or even heard of?

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So, do you know a LID? I can't really think of any.

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8657. RE: [DX-IS] Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:15:04 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8656 Message: 8657

I don't "know" them, Dan, but I can think of quite a few lids who are often in the pile-ups. I won't, unless I have a specific situation to report on, name any of them. But, yes, they're there.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:15:16 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 8635 Message: 8658

1. You're assuming that N4PJ spotted the correct QSX.

2. Whether he did or he didn't, there is something to be said for concentrating the poor operators on one frequency.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

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9:44 AM

8659. RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:26:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8635 Message: 8659

At 09:15 PM 1/5/2009, you wrote:
>1. You're assuming that N4PJ spotted the correct QSX.
>
>2. Whether he did or he didn't, there is something to be said for
>concentrating the poor operators on one frequency.
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> 73,
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> Dave, AA6YQ

Truer words were never spoken, Even at Internet speeds, by the
time a spot propagates worldwide and the DX pileup sees/reacts to it,
the DXpeditioner(s) are listening somewhere else. Hence having
everyone call on the hypothetical 10115.4 KHz frequency suits me! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

8660. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:27:16 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8635 Message: 8660

----- Original Message -----
From: "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@...>
> If a P5 or a 7O comes on the air, for god's sake, don't spot it. No
> one spot it, ever.
- -
That's not realistic. What about all the ego-hams? The second they're finished logging the contact they're posting it for all to see their prowess. A Pee Five comes up and withing 30 seconds there will be dozens of spots - same for the 7O. Fortunately I'm not one who would spot either one.

I won't comment on yur traffic as I lived in Los Angeles where we had Road Rage. Road Rage is caused by 'In yur face' driving - 'cause I can do it...
rene

8661. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:30:13 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8661

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Dave AA6YQ" <aa6yq@...> wrote:
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You're right, I am assuming that in this case. I've been in plenty of pileups where those types of spots are dead on though. I'm not really trying to pick on N4PJ...

> 2. Whether he did or he didn't, there is something to be said for
> concentrating the poor operators on one frequency.

Yes, there is, as long as that type of spot from op after op isn't an accurate play by play, something I've seen a fair amount. I know it's true because I'm tracking the pattern myself, and you know it's true too ;-)

The cluster is a useful tool, but I think it has undergone a certain phase transition even since *I* started in ham radio.

Do you have a good feel for how many people use telnet clusters now compared to how many people did in, say, 1998?

73
Dan

8662. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 01:54:05 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8635 Message: 8662

At 09:30 PM 1/5/2009, you wrote:

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>phase transition even since *I* started in ham radio.
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>Dan

I'd guess 10% of DXers in 1998, and 99% now. Maybe I'm off somewhat, but of course the increase is dramatic. I despise DX Clusters. They have taken away the skill in finding the DX on your own, and even if you do, you have 30 seconds tops to work it before one of the Cluster Braggers has to spot it.

In 1990, there were no DX Clusters, and it was a heck of a lot better. However, today I make full use of DX Clusters because that's the way it's done these days (point and click.) If I want to be competitive, I need to use the same technology as the competition. I can tune and find my own DX (and sometimes I do), but when something I need is on a ship to some barren rock in the middle of nowhere, I have to use a DX Cluster if I want to work it.

Some will argue otherwise, and they might well work some DXpeditions with no DX Cluster help (and with their proverbial 5 watts to a random wire and a tuner) when the pileups are worked dry. As much as we hate what DX Clusters have done with the "brag spots", we have to live with it. Don't waste your energy trying to get these guys to stop spotting DX they work. If you do, I wish you luck, because you're gonna need it.

Especially don't try to stop one particular mega-station on the East Coast . . . I can guarantee that within 5 seconds of my hearing him work something, the spot flies out with a "THANKS - EASY!" in the comment section. (Sometimes it's "THANKS! 8TH BAND!") Of course the DXpedition can't see the spots, so the comments are just to tell the rest of us he worked it. The reason I am telling you to leave him alone is because if you mention his call, he'll sign your email up for lots of porn sites and send you nasties through an anonymous emailer! :-) A real gentleman Ham, this guy is.

73, Paul VE1DX

8663. RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 02:03:18 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 8635 Message: 8663

I'm sure there are a lot more telnet cluster users now than there were 10 years ago, but I have nothing quantitative to back up that perspective. One certainly wants to find the DX before its spotted or (worst case) get to a needed station before anyone else does.

My earlier point is that some spots are intentional misdirections. One way to clear a hole in a nasty pileup is to spot a QSX frequency away from that hole. Another is to spot an even more desirable DX station on some other frequency. Putting the word "CQ" in the spot notes makes this almost irresistible; "begging", however, strains credibility.

Clusters do have good uses:

1. you can determine a needed station's pattern of operation, which helps in planning a stakeout

2. you can get a good feel for propagation

3. you can communicate that a station is working split without transmitting on the DX frequency

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of n3oxdan
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 8:30 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

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Dan

Yahoo! Groups Links

No virus found in this incoming message.
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8664. When Good Ops Go Bad

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 02:25:18 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 8664 Message: 8664

Last nite around 1400 utc (middle of the nite in ZL I couldn't sleep so fired up my old FT1000D and sure nuff there was E44M on 30M CW - "CQ USA E44M UP3" I waited for the usual polite 15 minutes while he continuously called CQ USA ONLY and made a call up3. Protocol dictates I should have waited my turn until he called CQ PAC, which from experience I knew would never happen. He was 599 and immediately answered ZL? thinking my suffix was ZL.

I repeated my call and got "SRI USA ONLY CQ USA E44M UP3" Which is probably what I deserved and I accept that. But most savy DXpedition ops would have given me a 599 TU and called CQ PAC then gone back to the USA pack. It's not as if the op was up to his eyeballs and shoveling them at 230 per hour. I would guess that he was struggling to get 40 an hour but he certainly was getting a lot of "CQ USA ONLY E44M UP3" bursts out there.

Meanwhile on this op's TX frequency all hell was breaking loose. Carriers, Ditters and Commenters ran rampant with blind rage and frustration and consequently when the E44M op did hear and try to work a USA station, the station found it very difficult to hear the confirmation.

I have to admire the op for his single minded determination in the face of mounting frustration from EU, PAC, SA and AS who were having a call every now and then. This guy wasn't having anything interfere with his CQ USA quest!!!! He just blithely pushed on.

Eventually the pack drove him off 30M. The amazing thing is that he had great ears and his CW was very good.

There is a moral in this story for potential DXpeditioners.

1) Be a bit reasonable and flexible
2) Your signals go everywhere - not just to one call area
3) Ignore at your peril the general ham community who want to work you.
4) Patience is not a virtue of DXers.
5) Talk to your pileup - they are usually quite reasonable in understanding what you want to do.

73, Lee ZL2AL - ZL7AA, ZL8RI, ZL9CI, ZM2M

8665. Re: [DX-IS] When Good Ops Go Bad

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 03:07:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8664 Message: 8665

At 10:25 PM 1/5/2009, you wrote:
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>fired up my old FT1000D and sure nuff there was E44M on 30M CW - "CQ USA
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>understanding what you want to do.
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>73, Lee ZL2AL - ZL7AA, ZL8RI, ZL9CI, ZM2M

Great post, Lee. Bang on in all respects. (I was there at
14:00 and a bit later and heard him driven off by the QRM, but didn't
hear you get the bum's rush.) Either way, there is a lot of wisdom

in what you said.

73, Paul VE1DX

8666. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 04:20:49 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8666

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> planning a stakeout
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> on the DX frequency

Absolutely, all of those things are useful and good reason to spot some stations. #1 is particularly useful in my opinion, and yes, it wouldn't be useful if no one spotted. I don't have any expectation that that would ever happen though.

The cluster has some excellent uses, but I think it also has the potential to REDUCE the number of stations that get to work a particular DX station during a particular time frame, if that station doesn't have an iron constitution in the face of QRM and terrible operating. Some DX will even go away if a pileup starts.

There's no way to know what's better, of course, but I think it's worth having a little nagging doubt in both directions, to carefully consider it for rare DX. And sure, there's always going to be SOMEONE who spots everything they work to brag, and some might even be some trying to intentionally work up a frenzy to disrupt those who come later.

But there are some people who just think if it hasn't been spotted yet it belongs on the cluster, bar none, and I'm not sure I agree with that... especially if whatever it is has managed to attract a pileup even without a spot.

That's basically my test these days:

1) Is there a pileup even without the cluster, or even one or two excited callers?
2) If so, am I willing to spot it before I work it?

If #1 is "yes" and #2 is "no," I figure the other callers already on frequency have won some right to have their otherwise unencumbered shot at that DX even if I beat them.

I realize that implies an opinion about the relative value of tuning around and listening vs. tuning to cluster spots and working them. I further realize that one could ask why I don't take it a step further

and let them have the DX before I work them.

But I hear a difference between a slowly growing pileup on interesting DX and a pileup that started instantaneously after a cluster spot, and it's a difference that makes me want to leave some stations totally unspotted.

It's not an opinion I've always held. At one point I thought it was just a public service to spot cool stuff I was hearing, but I've changed my mind. I spent a *lot* more time on the radio all hours of the day when I was first starting, and I still feel like I heard more jamming, bad behavior, more cops, and more "FU" on CW and general discontent in 2008 than in 1998...

Maybe I'm just getting old and grumpy ;-)

73
Dan

8667. Re: [DX-IS] Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 04:46:35 UTC
From: R.S.Hradilek
Topic: 8656 Message: 8667

> Do you personally know a LID who blind calls in pileups and never
> shuts up?

If you tune across any major split pileup, you will find that these ops are very numerous. It's getting harder and harder to find the frequency of the station that the DX is actually working, because so many are not only calling, they are responding with 5NN as though they actually heard the DX come back to them. Then they continue calling. It's clear that they are not tuning through the pileup themselves looking for where the DX is working stations. I do not keep track of who these ops are, because time spent copying their calls is time wasted.

I do, however, keep track of the calls that consistently obliterate the frequency of the DX station, making copy unnecessarily difficult for everybody else on frequency. I keep a private and short list of the worst offenders, which I will never post online. Over the years, this list has grown to only 43 calls, and some are already silent keys. To make my list, one must obliterate many pileups over a span of time - clearly indicating that no other style of operating by the op is conceivable.

Let's elaborate by stating that there are two basic types of lids:

A. Stupid: Ops who are not aware of the amount of QRM they are causing others.
B. Rude: Ops who simply don't give a s#!t.

Yes, the two categories often overlap, but I think most would fall into one of these categories. That moonbounce guy here in W5-land is definitely not stupid.

I also take note of ops who can consistently and discreetly beat me in pileups without ever causing problems on the DX frequency. My own DX Elmer was one of these (W9AW, active in the 60's & 70's). Through the years I have always tried my best to follow his and similar examples, even in contests. The rule is simple:

The first priority in ANY pileup is to keep your own QRM on the DX frequency to a minimum. Working the needed DX is 2nd priority. No exceptions, but some mistakes may occur. My apologies in advance.

Roy -- AD5Q

8668. Re: Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 05:05:08 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8656 Message: 8668

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> the worst offenders, which I will never post online. Over the years,
> this list has grown to only 43 calls, and some are already silent
> keys.

Well OK, so that's another sort of big problem... and yet, you've got 43 guys, some dead. There are maybe 2 million licensed hams, give or take.

So we have 0.002% of hams who are your worst offenders.

Let's say for every caller who routinely calls on the DX frequency, there are a hundred who do something a little disruptive. That's another 0.2% A thousand for every one of your super lids takes it to 2% of licensed hams who do something disruptive.

Of course, not everyone's active, but your list is not saying end of civilized society to me ;-)

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> frequency to a minimum. Working the needed DX is 2nd priority. No
> exceptions, but some mistakes may occur. My apologies in advance.

Well this is a problem... you're going to have to fall into the good op category just like everyone else I ever exchange words with on the subject.

So where's the "gimme generation," the impatient hordes that will ruin ham radio?

They must not use the internet.

8669. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 05:35:15 UTC
From: R.S.Hradilek
Topic: 8656 Message: 8669

> So where's the "gimme generation," the impatient hordes that will ruin
> ham radio?
>
> They must not use the internet.

Oh yes they do. Many are right here on this reflector, or especially
on packet.

q...

8670. Fw: [kw-kontest] TS7C - Press release n° 2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 09:25:50 UTC
From: OE8SOQ Helmut
Topic: 8670 Message: 8670

Hello group, fellow DXers,

received this today from the austrian member of the group, OE8KDK, and thought you might not have it yet. If you got it via other channels, please discard it.....

GoodDX and 73 de
Helmut
DG7DXX + OE8SOQ

PS: HAPPY NEW YEAR to you and your family

PRESS RELEASE N° 2:

Please spread this informations as largely as possible.

TS7C, TUNISIA, KERKENNAH Island - IOTA AF- 073,

by The Provins ARC , F6KOP.

http://www.ts7c.net/

Hi Friends

If your diaries are not boomarked yet, do it ! It isn't too late.

The next expedition which will take place between January 8th and 19th, 2009 is quite ready to go.

All the luggage is packed and sorted by 25kg parcels, one by operator.

Mustapha, DL1BDF, team member was a great help for us to be granted to use the special callsign TS7C.

As indicated in the PR N°1 , some new comers in Dxpedition have been included in the team, to permit them to get some more skill, operating side by side with long time experienced dxpedioners. They are the future of F6KOP next expeditions. We ask your indulgence for them ; they are learning to do in the pile ups, and for some of them, TS7C will be their first dxpedition.

We will stay on Kerkennah group, Chergui isl. , IOTA AF-073, and WLOTA 3459.

The departure is scheduled from Paris on January 8th in the early morning.
The team will begin to settle the first station, immediately when they will arrive at the Kerkennah Hôtel.
So the first signals are expected the same day at the end of the afternoon or early in the evening.

The departure from Kerkennah is scheduled very early in the morning of the 19th. So the traffic end will happen sometime around 1800 or 1900 utc, in the evening of the 18th.

As usually, one station will continue to be on the air, in the evening as later as possible.

New bands and/or modes hunters, we will be operating for you, in HF, 160 to 10m , using CW, SSB, FM , and digital like RTTY, PSK31, BPSK , SSTV.

We will pay a special attention on low bands, 160 and 80m

Of course you'll find operators on other bands and mode.

Six stations will operate at the same time, 24h a day. Sometimes it will be possible to hear TS7C on the same band with different modes.

The antenna farm will consist of Verticals and wires for the lower bands and Spiderbeams from 40 to 10m .

Since the first release the team had to be change a little.

The complete team going to Tunisia is finally the following one:

Ø Frank, F4AJQ, Team leader as he did in the previous F6KOP dxpeditions, - SSB and digitals.

Ø Mustapha, DL1BDF, in charge of Public Relations with the Tunisian authorities. - SSB, digitals.

Ø Bernard, F9IE, - CW traffic leader

Ø Bob, N6OX, - SSB traffic leader.

Ø Jean-Paul, F8BJI Digitals traffic leader.

Ø Sylvain, F4EGD, - SSB and Digitals. Dxpedition QSL manager.

Ø Gerard, F2VX, - SSB -

Ø Bill, N2WB - SSB CW -

Ø Michel, FM5CD - CW SSB Digitals

Ø Sébastien, F5UFX, SSB - CW

Ø Sébastien, F8IJV - SSB

Ø Jean-Luc, F6BIV, SSB, Digitals -

Ø Norbert, F6AXX - CW -

Ø Alain, F6ENO - CW -

Ø Dieter , OE8KDK - SSB Digitals -

Ø Stefan, OE8SKQ - CW -

Ø Mathieu, F5PED - CW -

Ø Eric, ON7RN - SSB CW -

Ø Henri , F1HRE - SSB -

Ø Franco, F4EVR, - SSB -

Ø Michel, F5EOT - SSB -

Ø Arno, OE9AMJ - CW , SSB -

Ø Joseph, F6CTT - SSB, Digitals -

Ø Tony, G0OPB - CW,SSB -

Ø Gabriele, I2VGW - SSB CW Digitals -

Ø XYL Anne Marie LAURENT, Photo reporter

BACK OFFICE (still the same):

Ø Pilote Stations: Pascal, F5JSD, Serge, F6AML, Thierry, F4TTR et Bruno, F5AGB.

Ø Webmaster : Vincent, F5MJV;

Ø Internet Communications: Maurice, F5NQL, .(You can receive whilst the expedition , the information directly on your mail box ; ask to : f5nql@...)

QSL via Sylvain, F4EGD, direct or via the REF-Union bureau (Please only via this bureau) . See on the site how to QSL.

Numerous Ham societies and individuals friendly help us as each year.To give you this rare IOTA, we need your help also.

Those who want to give us a sponsorring , can see how to do on the Sponsors page of the TS7C website.

We thank all of you.

Don't forget to write some words on the TS7C guestbook at :

http://users2.smartgb.com/g/g.php?a=s&i=g25-39174-06

Your encouragements are appreciated

Happy New Year 2009, and Rendez vous on your logbook, to establish some new records (ore to keep some other)

73, TS7C team

Maurice, F5NQL,

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http://www.kkn.net/mailman/listinfo/dailydx

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8671. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:03:41 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 8635 Message: 8671

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I'm not a frequent poster here [I'd like to tell you that I'm usually working DX, but one of my New Year's resolutions is to stop telling porkies on line], and although I'll try to work a new one when I hear it, I'm not a BIG GUN.

However, I can't help wondering why N3OX would spot a DX station at the bottom of a pileup BEFORE he works it. The maxim for working DX has always been "Work First, Worry Later". Perhaps in the dog-eat-dog world of the DX cluster, it should be "Work First, Spot & Worry Later".

73, and a belated HNY to all

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

8672. Re: Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:13:55 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8656 Message: 8672

Since you've already addressed me as a LID, I suspect you know at least one!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@...> wrote:
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> Following up on the last post.
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> Do you personally know a LID who blind calls in pileups and never
> shuts up?
>
> When you hear bad behavior in the pileups, is it ever someone you've
> actually met, had a QSO with, or even heard of?
>
> If DX Pileup problems are due to a general breakdown in society, a
> general impatience and me-firstness, then each and every one of us
> should know at least one LID in addition to being one ourselves,
> right, or know two if we're not?
>
> So, do you know a LID? I can't really think of any.
>
> 73
> Dan
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8673. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:17:30 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8673

>However, I can't help wondering why N3OX would spot a DX station at the
>bottom of a pileup BEFORE he works it.

I wouldn't, that's the point.

I think most people would agree that it would make it *much harder for
me* to work that DX station if I were to spot it prior to working it.

But let's say you and I come across 7O1ZZ calling "CQ NA" on 40m CW,
as do six other guys (what would probably happen if something like 7O
came on).

And let's say I make it through first, before you and the other six guys.

I wouldn't spot that DX before *I* had the chance to work it, so why
should I spot it out from under you and the other six? And,
furthermore, why should you or any of the other six guys spot it out
from under the sixteen other guys that find the 7O while you're trying
to work it.

So that's my test. Would I be willing to spot it BEFORE I worked it?
Do I think that spot would make it HARDER for me to get through? If
it's an ON or a G or an EA8 station, it probably wouldn't. I could
spot it, have a nice calm little QSO, exchange names and "HNY's" and
say 73 and maybe one or zero other people would show up right away.

If it's a 7O or a P5 or even a longpath HL or BY on 40, my spot would
cause all hell to break loose, and if I know that BEFORE I work the
station, why should I strafe the other guys on frequency with a spot
AFTER I work the station?

73,
Dan

8674. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:20:42 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8635 Message: 8674

Not sure it's that much fun to be popular!

I made the spot (and have done many like that before) because I see nothing wrong with observing (and posting) the habits of a given operation. Is he listening up, down, up 3 up 4 up 5 or what?

Danny, N7DC, has advocated (ever since I've known him) that the DX should send UP 2 and then really listen UP 2, not UP 3 or UP 4 or whatever. Is that any worse than my spot? The DX op himself is theoretically telling all the bums (along with the non-bums) where to congregate.

Personally speaking, I would much, much rather see a spot that says:

"UP 4 TKS FOR QSO"

instead of just the spot itself and those who don't bother to listen first start immediately sending on the DX frequency.

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8675. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:28:19 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8635 Message: 8675

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> Dan
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8676. Re: Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:33:57 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8656 Message: 8676

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...> wrote:
>
> Since you've already addressed me as a LID, I suspect you know at
> least one!

Don't take it personally Art, everyone spots ;-) I don't really mean to offend.

I just don't agree that pileup etiquette has much to do with society falling apart. I think it's more to do with whipping the pileup so huge that even 0.5% lid-dom in the ham population means 10 guys are there to cause malicious or stupid QRM and trouble, and furthermore the lids have a harder time finding unspotted DX than if you're spoon-feeding them QRGs.

I don't like fighting in the pileup that hasn't been spotted for half an hour, and it's dwindling to a reasonable level, still with plenty of callers but not so much QRM, and then someone tosses off another spot post-QSO and all of a sudden there's a jammer on the DX QRG.

I think it happens a lot. Maybe it's just me, and anyone else who doesn't feel this way they're free to spot whatever they like.

But I think it turns a pileup into a raving mess some of the time, and a situation in which a handful of bad apples can ruin the day. There have always been people who will selfishly ignore the rules to the detriment of others. However, I believe that DX spotting of certain stations, especially repeatedly, attracts more troublemakers than the average pileup would accrue if people were just tuning across the band.

73
Dan

8677. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:41:17 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8635 Message: 8677

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From: Art Burke
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2009 11:20 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Not sure it's that much fun to be popular!

I made the spot (and have done many like that before) because I see nothing wrong with observing (and posting) the habits of a given operation. Is he listening up, down, up 3 up 4 up 5 or what?

Danny, N7DC, has advocated (ever since I've known him) that the DX should send UP 2 and then really listen UP 2, not UP 3 or UP 4 or whatever. Is that any worse than my spot? The DX op himself is theoretically telling all the bums (along with the non-bums) where to congregate.

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8678. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:41:27 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8635 Message: 8678

Doesn't seem to matter whether it's on the cluster or not.
The E44M op has been calling on 14028 for W6 and W7, asking EU to
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So who's sending back?

A W7 can't hear the UP 3 so he's sending on top of the E44M, while 3
kHz up, there is a host of 4s, some 3s and several zeroes sending
away.

Just heard N7RO get through. The E44M op stuck by his guns.
Amazingly, the QRM 3 UP seems to be dying down. Oops, guess I was
mistaken.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@...> wrote:
>
>
> > Clusters do have good uses:
> >
> > 1. you can determine a needed station's pattern of operation,
which
> helps in
> > planning a stakeout
> >
> > 2. you can get a good feel for propagation
> >
> > 3. you can communicate that a station is working split without
> transmitting
> > on the DX frequency
>
>
> Absolutely, all of those things are useful and good reason to spot
> some stations. #1 is particularly useful in my opinion, and yes,
it
> wouldn't be useful if no one spotted. I don't have any expectation
> that that would ever happen though.
>
> The cluster has some excellent uses, but I think it also has the
> potential to REDUCE the number of stations that get to work a
> particular DX station during a particular time frame, if that
station
> doesn't have an iron constitution in the face of QRM and terrible
> operating. Some DX will even go away if a pileup starts.
>

> There's no way to know what's better, of course, but I think it's
> worth having a little nagging doubt in both directions, to
carefully
> consider it for rare DX. And sure, there's always going to be
SOMEONE
> who spots everything they work to brag, and some might even be some
> trying to intentionally work up a frenzy to disrupt those who come
later.
>
> But there are some people who just think if it hasn't been spotted
yet
> it belongs on the cluster, bar none, and I'm not sure I agree with
> that... especially if whatever it is has managed to attract a
pileup
> even without a spot.
>
> That's basically my test these days:
>
> 1) Is there a pileup even without the cluster, or even one or two
> excited callers?
> 2) If so, am I willing to spot it before I work it?
>
> If #1 is "yes" and #2 is "no," I figure the other callers already
on
> frequency have won some right to have their otherwise unencumbered
> shot at that DX even if I beat them.
>
> I realize that implies an opinion about the relative value of
tuning
> around and listening vs. tuning to cluster spots and working
them. I
> further realize that one could ask why I don't take it a step
further
> and let them have the DX before I work them.
>
> But I hear a difference between a slowly growing pileup on
interesting
> DX and a pileup that started instantaneously after a cluster spot,
and
> it's a difference that makes me want to leave some stations totally
> unspotted.
>
> It's not an opinion I've always held. At one point I thought it
was
> just a public service to spot cool stuff I was hearing, but I've
> changed my mind. I spent a *lot* more time on the radio all hours
of
> the day when I was first starting, and I still feel like I heard
more
> jamming, bad behavior, more cops, and more "FU" on CW and general

> discontent in 2008 than in 1998...
>
> Maybe I'm just getting old and grumpy ;-)
>
> 73
> Dan
>

8679. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:43:28 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8679

>Is that any worse than my spot? The DX op himself is
>theoretically telling all the bums (along with the non-bums) where
>to congregate.

I personally do think it is worse, because it calls a whole new set of bums in from afar who just got within earshot of the computer they depend on. Don't get me wrong, I like the fact that the cluster exists. It's fun to knock down band countries more easily. But I think there's a point at which the pileup doesn't need any more spots for an hour or even at all. The DX sending "UP 3" only tells those people who understand "3" where he is listening.

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> first start immediately sending on the DX frequency.

Well, I can agree that "UP" is better than not putting "UP" if you have to spot it.

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> It appears your opinion of what constitutes acceptable "spotting
> behavior" differs from mine. I don't mind agreeing to disagree!

Yeah, it does. And I'm trying to find converts. But I don't want anyone to think that I'm feeling contemptuous or angry if they spot, it's not that. I just think there was actually a time when spotting was almost always a public service, but that time has passed with such widespread adoption of the cluster.

73,
Dan

8680. Re: Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:44:34 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8656 Message: 8680

Well said Roy. Unfortunately, I sometimes hear a few well-known "big guns" doing what you describe. I came to the conclusion long ago (and have publicly stated so) that not everyone on the HR#1 (or even just the Honor Roll itself) got there by being "nice guys."

I've met a few of these guys who would steamroll their mothers to work the DX!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "R.S.Hradilek" <ad5q@...> wrote:
>
> > Do you personally know a LID who blind calls in pileups and never
> > shuts up?
>
> If you tune across any major split pileup, you will find that these
> ops are very numerous. It's getting harder and harder to find the
> frequency of the station that the DX is actually working, because so
> many are not only calling, they are responding with 5NN as though
> they actually heard the DX come back to them. Then they continue
> calling. It's clear that they are not tuning through the pileup
> themselves looking for where the DX is working stations. I do not
> keep track of who these ops are, because time spent copying their
> calls is time wasted.
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> the frequency of the DX station, making copy unnecessarily difficult
> for everybody else on frequency. I keep a private and short list of
> the worst offenders, which I will never post online. Over the years,
> this list has grown to only 43 calls, and some are already silent
> keys. To make my list, one must obliterate many pileups over a span
> of time - clearly indicating that no other style of operating by the
> op is conceivable.
>
> Let's elaborate by stating that there are two basic types of lids:
>
> A. Stupid: Ops who are not aware of the amount of QRM they are
> causing others.

> B. Rude: Ops who simply don't give a s#!t.
>
> Yes, the two categories often overlap, but I think most would fall
> into one of these categories. That moonbounce guy here in W5-land
is
> definitely not stupid.
>
> I also take note of ops who can consistently and discreetly beat
me
> in pileups without ever causing problems on the DX frequency. My
own
> DX Elmer was one of these (W9AW, active in the 60's & 70's).
Through
> the years I have always tried my best to follow his and similar
> examples, even in contests. The rule is simple:
>
> The first priority in ANY pileup is to keep your own QRM on the DX
> frequency to a minimum. Working the needed DX is 2nd priority. No
> exceptions, but some mistakes may occur. My apologies in advance.
>
> Roy -- AD5Q
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8681. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:45:11 UTC
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8682. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:48:25 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8635 Message: 8682

Might I reccommend that those who would like a good spotting page: One which doesnt roll by so quickly, look into using SpotCollector, which is just one portion of the the DXLab suite of ham programs. It has the capability of just showing a spot, and not showing the next 50 for the same station (set by how many minutes you want between spots). You can select to filter by only the spots you need (Ie Needed countries/band/modes only, or you can look at all spotted stations, again without having to see dozens of spots all for the same station, on each page. Great features all around - and ITS FREE, as is the whole suite of programs , including DXKeeper (logging) Prop view (propagation predicitions), Pathfinder (address and info lookups), WinWarbler (The PSK/RTTY/CW and Voice Keyers) eetc. and the very best of all features at the end of this ITS FREE.

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8683. Re: Do you know a LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:54:35 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8656 Message: 8683

Judging by your "data" at QRZ.com, you've undoubtedly had some experience/training in statistics. Your "sample" or "population" is enormously skewed. Of the millions of hams you refer to, how many are either actively pursuing DXCC or only casually embedding themselves in the pileup?

From my own college days, I fondly recall and remember the following, partially because I taught college-level statistics at one point:

Never trust percentages when you don't know much about the base!

The number of potential "suspects" in a DX chase most likely numbers in the 75,000 range, rather than 2,000,000 range. The club I belong to has approximately 90 paying members. Of those, the great majority is of the "shack on the belt" variety (DX might only be the next county!). There aren't 10 guys in the club who even casually chase DX.

Other than that (except where you slammed me on my spot and then claimed you weren't picking on me :)), I think we're in agreement. The unfortunate aspect of the analogy of drivers to DX lids doesn't hold up very well. When the route gets really bad, we often have alternative routes - get off the interstate/tollway and onto another street - but when the going gets really bad in a pileup, often the only recourse is to sit it out or turn the rig off.

Yes, I realize when you've been sitting in a traffic jam for 45 minutes, it's a little too late to think about alternatives. But I still contend it's far easier for four or five jerks to severely disrupt the pileup than it is for four or five jerks to disrupt *all* the rush hour traffic.

Art (from a moderately small town in FL where a traffic jam is 20 cars trying to get to the same grocery store) - N4PJ

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> Well OK, so that's another sort of big problem... and yet, you've
got
> 43 guys, some dead. There are maybe 2 million licensed hams, give
or
> take.
>
> So we have 0.002% of hams who are your worst offenders.
>
> Let's say for every caller who routinely calls on the DX frequency,
> there are a hundred who do something a little disruptive. That's
> another 0.2% A thousand for every one of your super lids takes it
to
> 2% of licensed hams who do something disruptive.
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> Of course, not everyone's active, but your list is not saying end
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>
> Well this is a problem... you're going to have to fall into the
good
> op category just like everyone else I ever exchange words with on
the
> subject.
>
> So where's the "gimme generation," the impatient hordes that will
ruin
> ham radio?
>
> They must not use the internet.
>

8684. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 16:59:59 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8635 Message: 8684

You're not a closet liberal are you? :)

Sounds like you'd just as soon not have anyone spot anything at all.

"...so why should I spot it out from under you and the other six?"

By that very definition, you imply *no* one should spot it. Now you and I are truly in agreement! No spots means you actually have to sit in front of the radio and tune something in - what a concept!

Art - N4PJ

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>
> >However, I can't help wondering why N3OX would spot a DX station at the
> >bottom of a pileup BEFORE he works it.
>
> I wouldn't, that's the point.
>
> I think most people would agree that it would make it *much harder for
> me* to work that DX station if I were to spot it prior to working it.
>
> But let's say you and I come across 7O1ZZ calling "CQ NA" on 40m CW,
> as do six other guys (what would probably happen if something like 7O
> came on).
>
> And let's say I make it through first, before you and the other six guys.
>
> I wouldn't spot that DX before *I* had the chance to work it, so why
> should I spot it out from under you and the other six? And,
> furthermore, why should you or any of the other six guys spot it out
> from under the sixteen other guys that find the 7O while you're trying
> to work it.
>
> So that's my test. Would I be willing to spot it BEFORE I worked it?
> Do I think that spot would make it HARDER for me to get through?

If
> it's an ON or a G or an EA8 station, it probably wouldn't. I could
> spot it, have a nice calm little QSO, exchange names and "HNY's"
and
> say 73 and maybe one or zero other people would show up right away.
>
> If it's a 7O or a P5 or even a longpath HL or BY on 40, my spot
would
> cause all hell to break loose, and if I know that BEFORE I work the
> station, why should I strafe the other guys on frequency with a
spot
> AFTER I work the station?
>
> 73,
> Dan
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8685. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 17:06:54 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8635 Message: 8685

I still sort of agree, but I still sort of disagree, but that's not important. We're allowed to have our own opinions - I think!

Even when it works the way you describe, isn't it amazing how many people just can't seem to hear the UP 3 or UP 5 or whatever. And even the mob attracted by the cluster spot doesn't seem to pay much attention to spots that say "...QSX up 3.45" and blindly send away on their present sending freq!

Basic DX skills demand:

1. Listen
2. Follow the directions of the DX op
3. Listen
4. Attempt to identify operator patterns
5. Listen
6. When no apparent pattern exists, try to be where the rest of the guys ain't!
7. Listen

Oh, did I mention that listening is one of the most desired skills necessary to chase DX?

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8686. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 17:15:00 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8635 Message: 8686

If they cant hear me say down 4- TOUGBHT. Because they will never work me.

Danny Douglas
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----- Original Message -----
From: Art Burke
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2009 12:06 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

I still sort of agree, but I still sort of disagree, but that's not
important. We're allowed to have our own opinions - I think!

Even when it works the way you describe, isn't it amazing how many
people just can't seem to hear the UP 3 or UP 5 or whatever. And
even the mob attracted by the cluster spot doesn't seem to pay much
attention to spots that say "...QSX up 3.45" and blindly send away
on their present sending freq!

Basic DX skills demand:

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3. Listen
4. Attempt to identify operator patterns
5. Listen
6. When no apparent pattern exists, try to be where the rest of the
guys ain't!
7. Listen

Oh, did I mention that listening is one of the most desired skills
necessary to chase DX?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...> wrote:
>
> The reason I say that the DX should tell you exactly where he is
listening is to encourage people to actually listen to the DX. If
one spots the guy up 6, say, and everyone runs to 6 up, the DX is
going to have one or two get there first, and work them -- then all

hecktoralisis busts loose - with dozens or even hundreds calling
there. While they all just blabber away, the DX meanwhile says down
4, and those who actually are listening, go down 4, and work the DX
until someone else spots him down 4, and again the crew shows up
there. By actually giving a freq, the DX is serving those who
listen, and filtering out the people who just see spots and start
calling (half who cant hear the DX to start with). I did it that
way for years, and its a very good management technique. It kept my
pileups manageable and gave the true deserving a quick contact. Of
course, back then there were no spot pages (let alone computers) to
point me out to half the world in moments. Its a technique needed
even more now, given the instant bedlam after the first spot.
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> From: Art Burke
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2009 11:20 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn
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>
> Not sure it's that much fun to be popular!
>
> I made the spot (and have done many like that before) because I
see
> nothing wrong with observing (and posting) the habits of a given
> operation. Is he listening up, down, up 3 up 4 up 5 or what?
>
> Danny, N7DC, has advocated (ever since I've known him) that the
DX
> should send UP 2 and then really listen UP 2, not UP 3 or UP 4
or
> whatever. Is that any worse than my spot? The DX op himself is
> theoretically telling all the bums (along with the non-bums)
where
> to congregate.
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8687. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 17:37:05 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8635 Message: 8687

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
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>
Art - is that the reason we were born wiff two (2) ears and only one mouth?
rene
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8688. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 17:37:57 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8635 Message: 8688

Dave makes good points. I believe there's more "value" in the history and pattern of operation of the DX in the cluster data base rather than the immediate feeding of the needy. The real time QRG / QSX information is really of little value to the Little Pistol / average DXer in any but the smallest pile-up. Over the years I've been able to use the historical information of "rare" DX stations in order to call them when the came up on frequency to "tune up" before their schedule with friends back home.... once they'd been spotted on East Coast or Western European clusters, I'd have little chance being heard.

Dave also makes a good point as to some of the tricks to "move or reduce the pile", not that I'd admit to doing some of those things.... ;-)

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 8:03 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

I'm sure there are a lot more telnet cluster users now than there were 10 years ago, but I have nothing quantitative to back up that perspective. One certainly wants to find the DX before its spotted or (worst case) get to a needed station before anyone else does.

My earlier point is that some spots are intentional misdirections. One way to clear a hole in a nasty pileup is to spot a QSX frequency away from that hole. Another is to spot an even more desirable DX station on some other frequency. Putting the word "CQ" in the spot notes makes this almost irresistible; "begging", however, strains credibility.

Clusters do have good uses:

1. you can determine a needed station's pattern of operation, which helps in planning a stakeout

2. you can get a good feel for propagation

3. you can communicate that a station is working split without transmitting on the DX frequency

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of n3oxdan

Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 8:30 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Dave AA6YQ" <aa6yq@...> wrote:
>
> 1. You're assuming that N4PJ spotted the correct QSX.

You're right, I am assuming that in this case. I've been in plenty of pileups where those types of spots are dead on though. I'm not really trying to pick on N4PJ...

> 2. Whether he did or he didn't, there is something to be said for
> concentrating the poor operators on one frequency.

Yes, there is, as long as that type of spot from op after op isn't an accurate play by play, something I've seen a fair amount. I know it's true because I'm tracking the pattern myself, and you know it's true too ;-)

The cluster is a useful tool, but I think it has undergone a certain phase transition even since *I* started in ham radio.

Do you have a good feel for how many people use telnet clusters now compared to how many people did in, say, 1998?

73
Dan

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8689. New NASA prediction for SC 24

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 21:44:10 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8689 Message: 8689

Looks like NASA has again revised the prediction for Solar Cycle 24 (as of 5 January, 2009):

http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/images/ssn_predict.pdf

Looking at that chart, it appears it will peak around 2013, with a SSN of ~105-110. Who knows?

73, Paul VE1DX

8690. Re: New NASA prediction for SC 24

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 22:27:44 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8689 Message: 8690

The Shadow knows! Course, if there's lots of sunspots and the sun isn't as bright, will there still be shadows?

Alas, if you took all the forecasters, put them all end to end, I wouldn't be a bit surprised! We won't know until after the fact who's forecasts were right/wrong.

Patience or not, we'll have to wait! This will give you time to build that Bobtail Curtain for that low band we're going to get - the one down below the BC band.

Art - N4PJ

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8691. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #891.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 22:30:04 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 8691 Message: 8691

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Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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The following press releases were provided by Bob Allphin/K4UEE and Glenn Johnson/W0GJ.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 6th, 2009
Desecheo 2009 Press Release #3

During the week of December 17-21, six members of the February 2009 Desecheo DXpedition team met in Puerto Rico. The team spent the first evening with local DXers and members of the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League and enjoyed a wonderful dinner and a night of fellowship. The hospitality was gracious and very much appreciated.

The following day the team visited US Fish and Wildlife Headquarters in Boqueron and met with the Chief Refuge Manager and law enforcement personnel. Later that day, the DXpedition team members underwent UXO (unexploded ordnance) training. The following morning, Friday, Dec. 19th, they accompanied U.S. Fish & Wildlife law enforcement and UXO personnel to Desecheo. The campsite and antenna fields were thoroughly swept for UXO and several areas were found suspicious. These areas were clearly marked, mapped by GPS and declared off limits for the DXpedition. USFWS will allow antennas on the ridge above the helicopter pad, thus providing a clear shot to EU, NA and JA. Other antennas will be located on the beach below the helicopter pad. The only radio operation that was conducted was to test a 2m link to Puerto Rico. After three hours on the Island, the team endured a rough passage back to the mainland.

Logistics and staging of equipment is ongoing and will be complete before the team arrives in Puerto Rico on Feb. 7th. The team will transit to Desecheo on Feb. 12 to begin the two-week operation. Eight HF stations plus 6 meters will be operational. An incredible array of antennas has been planned. Transportation and logistics have been arranged for a fast

deployment and quick appearance on the air.

The Desecheo 2009 team wishes to thank our sponsors for their generous support. Special thanks go to North American and Japanese DX clubs and individual DXers. Their support has been especially noteworthy.

Fundraising continues .if you or your Club would like to help out, please go to www.kp5.us/help.htm. While on the team website, click the ☐Pictures☐ menu button and check out the pictures taken on the recent reconnaissance trip to Desecheo.

73,

Co-leaders:
Bob Allphin, K4UEE
Glenn Johnson, W0GJ

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8692. Musings On A Slow Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 22:30:26 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8692 Message: 8692

At one time, FCC Regs required that a station be capable of measuring
his (or her) frequency so as not to go out of band.
I wonder if that requirement still exists.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

ps: 2013 eh'

8693. Re: [DX-IS] NO PSK-31 SIGS 04 JAN 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 22:33:20 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8644 Message: 8693

2009 is either off to a poor start or I've got to "WAX the Yagi" and "grease the Co-Ax" to "git the Super Signal Slider wurkin like its supposed to".

There are a few signals here and there. Some are strong, but its disappointing compared to the recent good days.

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Danny Douglas
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 8:19 AM
To: DX-IS@...m
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] NO PSK-31 SIGS 04 JAN 2009

Just checked here and there were no signals at all, but suddenly 20-30 second later I saw and heard one signal, then a dozen more popped in. Copying O0FZ, SM5GRD, PD0DK,GW0GHF, R0DK N4DC, ON4DS, SM5GRD and HA1ZW. Signals were increasing in strength then suddenly appeared to be getting weaker again, then once again came up stronger. Its going to be one of those days.

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----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
To: Carl Smith
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 9:00 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] NO PSK-31 SIGS 04 JAN 2009

Nothing on the waterfall or stations heard screen over the last 45 minutes on 14.070! Unbelievable! Usually 15 to 30 DX stations simultaneously heard this time of day.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...

gary.huber@...

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8694. http://features.csmonitor.com/environment/2009/01/06/bush-orders-new-protections-for-pacific-marine-seascapes/

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 22:35:33 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8694 Message: 8694

We may be in trouble now. If you thought it was hard to get expeditions in these places before - its gonna be much more difficult and a heck of a lot more expensive.

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8695. Re: [DX-IS] Musings On A Slow Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 22:38:06 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8692 Message: 8695

You have to stay in band, so you must have a way to know where you are. I think they took the fact that the digital readout is now on rigs, and equates to a frequency meter, is probably good enough. Of course, we all know there is failability to that.

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From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2009 5:30 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Musings On A Slow Day

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8696. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 22:55:49 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8696

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...> wrote:
>
> You're not a closet liberal are you? :)

Not in the closet about it, actually. :-)
>
> Sounds like you'd just as soon not have anyone spot anything at all.
>
> "...so why should I spot it out from under you and the other six?"
>
> By that very definition, you imply *no* one should spot it.

Yep, that's what I'm getting at. Now, if there are NO other callers at that moment (I'd personally probably wait two unanswered CQs), maybe I'll spot it. I don't want the DX to have a bad morning where he can't get a call.

But sometimes if it's really cool DX I'll leave it unspotted anyway because I figure someone who actually tunes and listens is going to be along in a minute. I don't always stay to listen, so I don't know. Maybe I'm forcing DX to prematurely QRT.

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I enjoy the competitive aspect of knocking down new ones, but I don't enjoy it *ALL THE TIME* on any and every DX that I don't hear every day. There's a scarcity right now; I understand that, but in my opinion, the enjoyment of tuning for DX (the last couple of years especially) has been somewhat reduced by the fact that there's this ticking timebomb of ridiculous pileup waiting if I'm not the only one to find that station or the absolute first one to work him.

I'm sure at least some others are having the same experience, especially the guys with the small stations. I'm sure it won't bother me as much when I have the kind of station that makes it almost certain that I'll get through first ;-) But I intend to remember the sinking feeling I get when something I found but haven't worked yet gets spotted, and I intend to remember the exhilaration of the few (VERY few) times I actually *CAN* find someone interesting with no

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Anyway, my apologies for singling you out and I think I'll go home and work some DX ...

73
Dan

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8697. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-06 23:18:33 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8635 Message: 8697

I do not like it, sitting here calling a DX station, with two or three others calling and working him, then one or two more come by and work him, while I am still trying to get him - but thats the nature of the beast. I HATE being the one or two left in the pile who are waiting for him, only to have someone suddenly spot him, and have another hundred join the pile, and loose out because my signals are with a dipole/100 watts/and he is s3 to start with. I know my likelyhood of working him in that sort of pile have just gone away.

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8698. RE: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 01:02:48 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 8635 Message: 8698

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Danny Douglas
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2009 11:48 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Might I reccommend that those who would like a good spotting page: One which doesnt roll by so quickly, look into using SpotCollector, which is just one portion of the the DXLab suite of ham programs. It has the capability of just showing a spot, and not showing the next 50 for the same station (set by how many minutes you want between spots).

You can select to filter by only the spots you need (Ie Needed countries/band/modes only, or you can look at all spotted stations, again without having to see dozens of spots all for the same station, on each page. Great features all around - and ITS FREE, as is the whole suite of programs , including DXKeeper (logging) Prop view (propagation predicitions), Pathfinder (address and info lookups), WinWarbler (The PSK/RTTY/CW and Voice Keyers) eetc. and the very best of all features at the end of this ITS FREE.

>>>SpotCollector displays a scrollable table with one entry for each active DX station. When a DX spot arrives, SpotCollector checks for an existing table entry near the spotted frequency in the spotted mode. If it finds one, it updates that entry to reflect the "time last spotted" and "notes" accompanying the spot; if it doesn't find one within a time range you specify, SpotCollector creates a new table entry. The result is an easy-to-view list of active DX stations that can be instantaneously filtered (by need, band, mode, location, location of spotting stations, etc) and sorted.

>>>Filtering the table to show only entries for a needed DX station provides insight into that station's operating pattern. Each table entry shows when the DX station was first spotted on a frequency and mode, and when it was last spotted near that frequency in that mode.

>>>Filtering the table to show only DX stations spotted from your region and sorting the filtered table by "time last spotted" provides insight into current propagation, as well as past propagation.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

8699. for Art - getting beat out in a ZD8UW pileup

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 01:07:18 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 8699 Message: 8699

Hey Art,

Marsha beat me out for the ZD8UW on 20 SSB the other day. I did work them a little later. Good for her!

Would be nice to get them on 12 and 17 now like she's done. However the 160 CW was nice too. Gotta love those log search websites. Of course it helps to have a 160 nut at the same QTH. I get to use his antennas for the low bands, not to mention the bigger amp.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in icy SW Wisconsin USA

8700. Re: [DX-IS] New NASA prediction for SC 24

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 03:31:57 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8689 Message: 8700

Referenceing some of the other topics on thread also.....by the time 2013 arrives, cluster firmware will probably be part of the rig.....just "scroll" ur dial.....rig will tell you qrg!
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Dale K8TS

8701. Re: [DX-IS] http://features.csmonitor.com/environment/2009/01/06/bush-orders-new-protections-for-pacific-marine-seascapes/

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 03:39:09 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8694 Message: 8701

.....nice........
--
Dale K8TS

8702. Re: [DX-IS] http://features.csmonitor.com/environment/2009/01/06/bush-orders-new-protections-for-pacific-marine-seascapes/

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 03:59:19 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8694 Message: 8702

Its not nice for ham radio. We already have too many islands tied up out there that no expediton can get to without jumping thru hoops made of money and paper..
It is only going to get harder, and much more expensive for groups to go.

Danny Douglas
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I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2009 10:39 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] http://features.csmonitor.com/environment/2009/01/06/bush-orders-new-protections-for-pacific-marine-seascapes/

.....nice........
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Dale K8TS

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Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.3/1878 - Release Date: 1/6/2009 7:56 AM

8703. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 15:34:47 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8575 Message: 8703

Tom Anderson wrote:
> Well you could live in Texas where up until a few years ago the state gas tax paid for nearly all of the highway construction and repairs in Texas.
>
I grew up in Duval County, if you know anything about Texas politics
-- LBJ IN '48!!!
> <snip>
> Also, my former next door neighbor, a retired Dallas TX Police Officer now deceased, subscribed to "Soviet Life" magazine just to irritate the Postal Inspection Service and the FBI.
I did the same thing when I was attending Texas A&I University in Kingsville! Ha!

7 3
Earl

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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

8704. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 15:51:53 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8575 Message: 8704

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Dale K8TS

8705. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 16:07:59 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8575 Message: 8705

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Never sent a card to Box 88 ...

----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:51 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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Dale K8TS

8706. Box 88 Moscow is still alive!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 16:30:47 UTC
From: k0bx@arrl.net
Topic: 8575 Message: 8706

Just look below, some hams never let go!

K2VV
JOHN C YODIS
PO BOX 88
MOSCOW MILLS, MO 63362-0088
USA

Joe K0BX

Stop the insanity!
Please do not add me to any distribution lists (Joke, Stories or Junk) without my permission.

--- On Wed, 1/7/09, k9ttt@... <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: k9ttt@... <k9ttt@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, January 7, 2009, 7:51 AM

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Dale K8TS

8707. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 16:36:26 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8575 Message: 8707

Back in 1963 while operating as DL5AI in Germany, I had a UA QSL delivered to me by the Army CID. They had intercepted it in my APO mail. They had questions.....

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Deacon Dave" <w1mce@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:07 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:51 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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Dale K8TS

Internal Virus Database is out-of-date.
Checked by AVG.
Version: 7.5.524 / Virus Database: 270.8.1/1728 - Release Date: 10/16/2008 7:38 AM

8708. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 16:44:02 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8575 Message: 8708

Po' ole DD - missed out on the 20 Russian countries;-(
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave

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8709. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 17:15:22 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8575 Message: 8709

What nonsense. Apparently they had nothing else to do that day. It was NOT a declared US government rule. I worked the world back then, from all sorts of bases, embassy assignments, etc. with Top Secret everyting, clearances and knew dozens of others that did the same, with no interference from my own government at all. The club station in ET2US and ET3USA worked thousands of Russians over the years, and every operator at that Army Security Base had a clearance.

Danny Douglas
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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
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those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: Win
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 11:36 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Deacon Dave" <w1mce@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:07 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:51 AM

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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would be watching me. Have times changed. (I think--don't know what homeland
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Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.4/1880 - Release Date: 1/7/2009 8:49 AM

8710. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 17:24:05 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8575 Message: 8710

And my job at that time was as a master control engineer at a AFT radio station. No clearance required.

A few years later I had another experience with Air Force OSI, but that is another story,

Win

----- Original Message -----
From: "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 11:15 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: Win
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 11:36 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Deacon Dave" <w1mce@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:07 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:51 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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8:49 AM

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Version: 7.5.524 / Virus Database: 270.8.1/1728 - Release Date: 10/16/2008
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8711. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 17:34:27 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8575 Message: 8711

Earl Needham wrote:
>
> Tom Anderson wrote:
> > Well you could live in Texas where up until a few years ago the
> state gas tax paid for nearly all of the highway construction and
> repairs in Texas.
> >
> I grew up in Duval County, if you know anything about Texas politics
> -- LBJ IN '48!!!
>

Earl, did you ever meet the Duke of Duval?

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8712. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 17:46:55 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8575 Message: 8712

I NEVER reported any specific QSOs with or QSLs from Soviet block and Communist countries while I held a security clearance as a condition of my military occupational specialty and position(s) within the units I served in during the last half of my military career. My Commander was informed of my hobby and that I was communicating most likely with Spetnatz or KBG on occasion. Most likely the more "sensitive" one's position / knowledge, the more concern... in my case I had little info that couldn't be sourced from the local library.... ;-)

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

From: Deacon Dave
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:07 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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From: k9ttt@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:51 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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Dale K8TS

8713. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 18:59:48 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8575 Message: 8713

Win wrote:
> And my job at that time was as a master control engineer at a AFT radio
> station. No clearance required.
>
> A few years later I had another experience with Air Force OSI, but that is
> another story,
>
AFOSI tells the whole story!

I was working some DX back in the early '80's, and EVERY NIGHT 20 meters was open from Valdosta, Georgia USA (I was stationed at Moody AFB) to just about anywhere in Eastern Europe. After having done this for several months, I happened to tell my boss about it and he told me that I had to report every contact to AFOSI. Took my log over there and told them all about it, and they made a simple report.

After doing this 3 or 4 more times int eh next few months, but with different contacts, the agent told me not to come back unless one of those guys asked me for specific information about my Air Force job! So I never reported those kinds of contacts again, although I did report a numbers station in the middle of 40 meters once, and that was a different story -- they didn't care in the first place about that!

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Earl

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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

8714. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 19:00:36 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8575 Message: 8714

Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH) wrote:
> Earl Needham wrote:
>
>> Tom Anderson wrote:
>>
>>> Well you could live in Texas where up until a few years ago the
>>>
>> state gas tax paid for nearly all of the highway construction and
>> repairs in Texas.
>>
>> I grew up in Duval County, if you know anything about Texas politics
>> -- LBJ IN '48!!!
>>
> Earl, did you ever meet the Duke of Duval?
>
Not personally, although I think my dad knew him and kept me away! <G>

Earl

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8715. 5K0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 19:48:28 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 7521 Message: 8715
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8716. Re: [DX-IS] 5K0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 19:56:03 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 7521 Message: 8716

Zack Widup wrote:
>
> I wonder if the logs on their log search page are complete now?
>
> I had one "maybe" QSO with them while they were on Baja Nuevo and one
> I thought was definitely good - they definitely sent my callsign and
> responded after I sent my exchange. But I don't appear in the log
> search for Baja Nuevo QSO's.
> :-(
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
>

Zack, go to http://www.5k0t.com/ The log search is up & running.

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8717. Re: [DX-IS] 5K0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 20:15:51 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 7521 Message: 8717

I just discovered the same thing with ZD8UW. The only band needed, 160 worked two nights ago. Not in their log, and should be updated beyond that. I could scream. Im getting tired of that on 160 - and also on RTTY. How do you get confirmation on a screen on rtty, then still not make it into the logs? I have no idea.

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All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
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those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 2:48 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] 5K0T

I wonder if the logs on their log search page are complete now?

I had one "maybe" QSO with them while they were on Baja Nuevo and one I thought was definitely good - they definitely sent my callsign and responded after I sent my exchange. But I don't appear in the log search for Baja Nuevo QSO's.
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73, Zack W9SZ

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8718. Re: [DX-IS] 5K0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 20:16:02 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 7521 Message: 8718
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8719. Re: [DX-IS] your QSL card collection

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 20:29:14 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 7963 Message: 8719

I found someone in my Elmer's radio club who is taking care of
his cards at the club premises. They were happy to have this
historical record of cards and logs!

Thanks for the suggestion,

Derek aa5bt

8720. Re: 5K0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-07 22:01:14 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 7521 Message: 8720

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> I wonder if the logs on their log search page are complete now?

I don't know, but my 160m Bajo Nuevo QSO (during the contest if I recall) is good, and I've been waiting on that since they said they wouldn't upload those until it was time for them to submit the contest log.

Dunno if that helps or hurts ;-|

Dan

8721. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 5K0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 04:39:27 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 7521 Message: 8721

In my heart I KNOW I worked them.....but don't show up on log. Have card here all made out to send. Hopefully if I wait a week or so, they will have time to find it in logs. Same with the 3X..he got may call wrong, so it is probably busted and nil.
Dale K8TS

8722. test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 04:52:10 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 1 Message: 8722

just checking--disregard

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Dale K8TS

8723. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 5K0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 05:23:40 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 7521 Message: 8723
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8724. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 12:44:50 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8635 Message: 8724

My definition of a "closet liberal" is someone who says something up front, but you sort of sense there's a hidden agenda and, eventually, they'll get around to it. In my case, I was pulling your leg as well. Why, some of my best friends are liberals! :)

As I wrote previously, I think we are in full agreement. A few minutes ago, VR6XMT wrote on the cluster (using a spot) "PSE LSN FOR ASIA"

A few minutes later KJ4DHF also wrote on the cluster (using a spot)

"Good Luck Charlie HNY to u an family"

The first spot from VR6XMT didn't send an alarm. It didn't send me an alarm because I don't need E44M on 20. Besides, since the spot came from Asia, I would not have received an alert anyway.

But when KJ4DHF made his spot, my wife's alarm went off and it wasn't even a spot - it was an announcement (obviously disguised as a spot). If the cluster didn't exist, we would probably already know we can't hear the mideast yest on 20 meters and no one would be bothering anyone else about it.

Perhaps the cluster would work better if there were some way to force users to follow reasonable etiquette. Unfortunately, even if a lot of people agreed on the proper etiquette, how do you get everyone who needs to read to do so?

An acquaintance of mine once suggested the AI6V web site was the way to go. The obvious repartee for that is "..how do you tell in the first place they should go to AI6V?????"

Back in BC (Before Clusters), it was amazing how quickly a pileup would develop when some hot DX came on the air. But tuning and tuning and listening and listening was more rewarding!

Alas, those thrilling days of yesteryear seem now merely nostalgia.

GO GATORS!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@...> wrote:
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@> wrote:
> >
> > You're not a closet liberal are you? :)
>

> Not in the closet about it, actually. :-)
> >
> > Sounds like you'd just as soon not have anyone spot anything at
all.
> >
> > "...so why should I spot it out from under you and the other
six?"
> >
> > By that very definition, you imply *no* one should spot it.
>
> Yep, that's what I'm getting at. Now, if there are NO other
callers
> at that moment (I'd personally probably wait two unanswered CQs),
> maybe I'll spot it. I don't want the DX to have a bad morning
where
> he can't get a call.
>
> But sometimes if it's really cool DX I'll leave it unspotted anyway
> because I figure someone who actually tunes and listens is going
to be
> along in a minute. I don't always stay to listen, so I don't know.
> Maybe I'm forcing DX to prematurely QRT.
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>
> >Now you
> > and I are truly in agreement! No spots means you actually have
to
> > sit in front of the radio and tune something in - what a concept!
>
> That's what I like to do most... and no, it's not the only way to
DX,
> and yes, I do go ahead and look at the cluster and go after needed
> ones that way too, but I enjoy finding rare DX with my ears and
being
> able to work it before a horde descends on me because the last guy
> spotted it.
>
> I enjoy the competitive aspect of knocking down new ones, but I
don't
> enjoy it *ALL THE TIME* on any and every DX that I don't hear every
> day. There's a scarcity right now; I understand that, but in my
> opinion, the enjoyment of tuning for DX (the last couple of years
> especially) has been somewhat reduced by the fact that there's this
> ticking timebomb of ridiculous pileup waiting if I'm not the only
one
> to find that station or the absolute first one to work him.
>
> I'm sure at least some others are having the same experience,
> especially the guys with the small stations. I'm sure it won't

bother
> me as much when I have the kind of station that makes it almost
> certain that I'll get through first ;-) But I intend to remember
the
> sinking feeling I get when something I found but haven't worked yet
> gets spotted, and I intend to remember the exhilaration of the few
> (VERY few) times I actually *CAN* find someone interesting with no
> pileup and work him.
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> Anyway, my apologies for singling you out and I think I'll go home
and
> work some DX ...
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> 73
> Dan
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8725. Re: for Art - getting beat out in a ZD8UW pileup

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 12:49:50 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8699 Message: 8725

Marsha says sort of the same thing! I told her one day how lucky she is with a tower, beam and amp. When I first started, I had a 100W rig and a piece of wire laying on the roof of an apartment building.

The "new" shack is almost complete. It's eight feet wide with her position at the left and mine at the right. The "common" equipment is in the middle - rotor, SteppIR controller and 12v distribution supply. We have to share the beam and she's using it a great deal more than I at the moment - she needs everything! When the house construction is complete (we're enclosing a porch) I'm going to cover the "bench" with some veneer. Even if we can't work anything it'll look bitchin'!

Happy New Year to you and Paul.

Art (it's cold here too - 50 degrees!) N4PJ

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8726. Re: [DX-IS] Re: for Art - getting beat out in a ZD8UW pileup

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 13:52:40 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 8699 Message: 8726

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:-) +50s is warm enough to open the swimmin' pool, truthfully! [I do that every late April or Early May]

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From: Art Burke
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2009 7:49 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: for Art - getting beat out in a ZD8UW pileup

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8727. Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 14:55:37 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8575 Message: 8727

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: k9ttt@...
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 10:51 AM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009
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8728. Re: for Art - getting beat out in a ZD8UW pileup

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 15:03:58 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8699 Message: 8728

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One year, back in the late 80s, it actually got to 17F here in central Florida. Needless to say, there were gobs of burst pipes, power outages, etc.

When I was in the Air Force, we once set up an air transportable hospital (like those things you saw in MASH) in Alaska while it was 22F below zero - that's my personal record.

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8729. Re: [DX-IS] Re: for Art - getting beat out in a ZD8UW pileup

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 16:01:23 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8699 Message: 8729

At 11:03 AM 1/8/2009, you wrote:
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>tongue-in-cheek.
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>rare event and I've *never* suffered through an ice storm here
>either!
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>Art - N4PJ

Ice storms are real fun! We escaped one last night by the skin of our teeth. Temperature held just at freezing for 3-4 hours with lithe "drizzle" coming down, and 60 MPH winds forecast for this morning (they came -- it's blowing like heck now.) Last night, by midnight, everything had 1/2 inch of ice on it. Thankfully the temperature went up to about 43-45 F (6 C) around 2:00 AM and all the ice melted off before the wind hit. Had the temperature held or dropped, we'd have lost a lot of gear. That's the peril of living here!

Personal "cold" limit? Don't know for sure. I've seen - 25 C (-12-15 F) here in past winters for a few nights, but that doesn't usually last. Was on a ship in the pack ice in the Norwegian Sea in 1989 at 78 degrees north. 600 miles or so from the North Pole. Don't recall the temperature, but you could take a can of pee-warm beer and put it outside on the deck for 8 minutes and it was "ice" cold. 10-12 minutes and it was frozen solid.

Side story about that trip that makes this a Ham related post. I was looking after a mini-VAX computer system with a large plotter (did plots the size of a table.) We noticed occasionally the pen(s) would mark where they shouldn't, or not lift off of the paper when they moved. Got the electronics tech to look the gear over an it was all OK. Finally I unplugged it from the computer to eliminate the possiblility of a bug in the O/S sending pulses or something. Then I noticed the pen was tapping up and down. Unplugged it from the 120 VAC and it still did it. A bit of listening told me and another Ham it was CW! Finally figured out it was the RO on the deck above sending traffic back to shore. Must

have been inducing currents in the solenoids that controlled the
pens! We got his schedule and just did out plots when he wasn't transmitting.

Here is a URL from that trip, complete with sound:

http://www.ve1dx.net/cwwx.html

Good code practice if you can copy the weather report . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

8730. COLD! was: Re: for Art - getting beat out in a ZD8UW pileup

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 16:40:42 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8699 Message: 8730

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I used to skydive, back in the '70's -- one day, it was around 65* F
on the ground, so we all wore T-shirts and shorts under our canvas
(non-insulated) jumpsuits. No gloves, either.

Well - when we were climbing through 7500 feet, it was TEN BELOW
ZERO! And we went up to 12,500 to jump.

Can you imagine 10 below zero with a wind speed of 120 MPH (terminal
velocity)? That comes out to something like 60 below zero wind chill.
When I got to 3500 feet, and reached for the ripcord, I couldn't feel
anything. And my fingers wouldn't move enough to grip the handle -- I
had to use my whole hand more like a stump to pull that thing. And when
my hands started thawing -- well, I haven't had pain like that in a
long, long time.

That's still my personal record for cold, some 30 years later.

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Earl

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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

8731. Fw: K1MAN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 18:10:45 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8731 Message: 8731

Re: K1MAN
----- Original Message -----
From: Scot Stone
To: tagteam@theunion.net
Cc: William Cross ; Tracy Simmons
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2009 5:46 AM
Subject: RE: K1MAN

WB6PSY,
The application is still pending. The next step in the process is for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Maine to file suit against Mr. Baxter to collect the forfeiture that the Commission assessed against him. We do not know when that will occur. After that litigation is resolved, the Commission will take action on the pending application.

Scot Stone
Deputy Chief, Mobility Division
Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

From: WB6PSY [mailto:tagteam@...]
Sent: Tuesday, December 30, 2008 3:08 PM
To: Tracy Simmons
Subject: K1MAN

Hello - I can't find the outcome on Glenn Baxter, K1MAN's application to renew his license. FCC File Number 0002250244.

Thank you in advance
WB6PSY

8732. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 18:17:45 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8575 Message: 8732

I've got one of "those" pins.... did not cause me to loose the clearance I held at the time. (Neither did QSOs with Romeo and other "operators")

Gary - AB9M

From: Art Burke
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2009 8:55 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Increase in Canadian postal rates - 12 Jan 2009

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8733. ARLD001 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 20:44:27 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8733 Message: 8733

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ARLD001 DX news

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DX Bulletin 1 ARLD001
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 8, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD001 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TUNISIA, 3V. Members of the Provins ARC are QRV as TS7C from Chergui Island, IOTA AF-073, until January 19. QSL via F4EGD.

UGANDA, 5X. Peter is QRV as 5X4X until June while working as development aid worker in Arua. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters generally before 2000z. QSL via DF5GQ.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Andy, G7COD will be QRV as 8Q7AK from Embudu Island, IOTA AS-013, from January 11 to 27. Activity will be on 40 to 12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

CROATIA, 9A. During the Men's World Handball Championship, special event stations 9A2009OS, 9A2009PO, 9A2009PU, 9A2009ST, 9A2009VZ, 9A2009ZD and 9A2009ZG are active until February 1. QSL via bureau.

TONGA, A3. Bob, ZL1RS is QRV as A35RS from Tongatapu Island, IOTA OC-049, until January 15. Of late, he has been active on 2-meter EME. QSL to home call.

GAMBIA, C5. Niels, OZ8KR is QRV as C56KR from Bakuto until January 14. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

CHILE, CE. A large group of Amateur Radio operators from Copiapo will be QRV from January 11 to 25 with special event station XR27RAID in commemoration of the 27th Raid Atacama desert trophy. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via CE6TBN.

LIBERIA, EL. Ashley, EL2AR has been active on 15 meters around 1730 to 1815z. He hopes to be active on 80 and 40 meters soon. QSL via

EL2BA.

IRAN, EP. Mohsen, EP3SMH has been active on 20 meters using RTTY around 1330z and SSB around 0800z.

CROZET ISLANDS, FT/W. Florentin is QRV as FT5WO currently from Alfred Faure Station on Possession Island, IOTA AF-008, and has been active on 20 meters generally around 1700z. QSL via F4DYW.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, HI. Simone, IZ5JNQ is QRV as HI7/IZ5JNQ until February 5. He also plans to be active as HI2/IZ5JNQ from the coastal islands Saona and Catalina, both IOTA NA-122. QSL direct to EB7DX.

GUINEA-BISSAU, J5. Peter is QRV as J5UAP and has been QRV on 17 meters using SSB from around 1000 to 1200z. He has also been active using RTTY. QSL via HA3AUI.

ARUBA, P4. Peter, EA5GVH will be QRV as P40PZ while on holiday from January 12 to 28. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Look for operators PY1/PY1ZV, PY1/PY2OC, PY1/PY1RY and PY1/PY2HN to be QRV from Cabo Frio from January 12 to 17. This operation is devoted to the Transatlantic tests between Africa and America. Activity will be on 6 and 2 meters and 70 cm. QSL via operators' instructions.

BANABA ISLAND, T33. Udo, DL9HCU is currently active as T33HC. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Mike, OM2DX is QRV as XV9DX and 3W1M while working for the Slovak Republic Embassy. He is here for three years. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via OM3JW.

MACAO, XX9. Vincent, F4BKV is QRV as XX9TKV until January 12 from from Coloane Island, IOTA AS-075. QSL to home call.

VANUATU, YJ. Ted, VK2EZQ is QRV as YJ0AZQ from Aneityum Island, IOTA OC-035. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Afghanistan, T61AA, the license for this operation has been updated. Anyone having this operation rejected recently can send an email to dxcc@... to be placed on the list for an update.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The North American CW QSO Party, NCCC Sprint, Hunting Lions in the Air Contest, PODXS 070 Club PSKFest, MI QRP January CW Contest, Midwinter CW/Phone Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint, NRAU-Baltic CW/Phone Contest, Midwinter Contest and the DARC 10-Meter Contest are all on tap for this weekend. Please see

January QST, page 82, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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8734. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 23:29:10 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8734

"Perhaps the cluster would work better if there were some way to force users to follow reasonable etiquette. Unfortunately, even if a lot of people agreed on the proper etiquette, how do you get everyone who needs to read to do so?"

How about a cluster with encrypted, addressed spots and a social network structure.

You can have a list of trusted Cluster Friends.

Then you can send your spots according to this plan:

Level 0, which would be the default, is a local spot database reference spot (I'm thinking about DXLab SpotCollector and it does that now if you hit the "local" button). It's just an easy way to keep your own notes on DX activity stored with the rest of the spots.

Level 1 would go as far as your Cluster Friends list and stop. These would be your closest ham buddies, guys you know you can trust for friendly competition even on a P5, and guys you know would keep it quiet ;-)

Level 2 propagates spots only as far as friends of your friends.

Level 3 through perhaps Level 6 or so just go one step further... friends of your friends of your friends and so on.

Level 7 is "public," which is probably true of the friends of your friends of your friends six times repeated anyway ;-)

Garden variety stuff can just go out Level 7 and it's exactly like the cluster is now. You don't have to have any "cluster friends" at all to receive those spots, so the system doesn't shut out new participants.

Egregious lids will get un-friended by pretty much everyone, so they'll ONLY get Level 7 spots most of the time. The same will go for those guys who re-spot everything Level 7 even if it came in Level 1 .

Level 2 or 3 spots probably hit every DXer you know personally even if you forgot to add them to the list.

But a Level 6 spot still has a chain of cluster trust attached to it even if it reaches nearly everyone who uses the system.

Unfortunately I don't actually have the time or programming skills at the moment to write the software ;-)

73
Dan

8735. Re: [DX-IS] Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 23:33:42 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8635 Message: 8735

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This sounds like another kind of cluster which I can not mention here.

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8736. Re: calling out of turn

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-08 23:54:02 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8635 Message: 8736

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HA!

8737. [425ENG] 425 DX News #923

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-09 16:49:15 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8737 Message: 8737

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3W - Mike, OM2DX is now working for the Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Hanoi, Vietnam for the next three years. On 5 January he got his licence, and he will operate as XV9DX and 3W1M on all bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via OM3JW. [TNX VA3RJ]
5X - Peter, 5X4X (DL8SBQ) is active from Arua, Uganda until June. He runs 100 watts into a spiderbeam for 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres and a Zepp antenna for 40 metres. He has been pirated on 160, 80 and 40 metres - if you worked him during the evening hours, please note that Peter cannot operate after 20 UTC, because the power is off in Arua. QSL via DF5GQ. [TNX DXNL]
6W - Tom, DL2RMC will be active as either 6W/DL2RMC or with a 6V call from Senegal on 16-29 January. It will be a holiday style operation, with most activity to be concentrated during the CQ WW 160-Meter DX CW Contest. QSL via DL1RTL. [TNX NG3K]
A3 - Bert, CX3AN will be active as A35HA from Tongatapu Island (OC-049), Tonga on 14-21 February. He will operate holiday style on 40-6 metres SSB and CW, with an emphasis on 30 and 17 metres, running 100 watts into dipoles. QSL via home call. [TNX CX3AN]
CE - Special event station XR27RAID will be active on 11-25 January for the 27th Raid Atacama Desert Trophy. Expect activity on all bands and modes. QSL via CE6TBN.
CU - CU8AS, HB9CQL and HB9CRV/CT3FN will be active as CU8W from Albarnaz Lighthouse on Flores Island (EU-089) on 19-23 January. They plan to operate CW and RTTY with a focus on the low bands. For the CQ WW 160-Meter DX Contest (CW) they will be joined by CT1GPQ and possibile another operator, and will use CU8A (multi-single). Then they will move to Sao Jorge Island (EU-175) and operate as CU5T on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY from Topo Lighthouse from 28 January to 2 February. QSL for CU8W, CU8A and CU5T via CT1GFK, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to cu8at@...). The team has a website at http://www.to-mk.com/azores/presentation/index.php
DL - Club station DL0PHG (http://www.a53.de/) will be QRV throughout

2009 with special DOK 1225PHG to celebrate the 1225th anniversary
of the city of Philippsburg. QSL via the DARC bureau. [TNX DJ6JH]
FR - The Association Radio Amateur des Deux Sevres
(http://ed79.ref-union.org/) reports that Daniel, F5LGQ will be
active as TO4IPA from Reunion Island (AF-016) on 13-31 January.
G - The first known rescue at sea involving radio occurred on 23
January 1909, when the "Republic" and the "Florida" collided off
Nantucket and the CQD emergency call was used for the first time
by Republic's radio operator Jack Binns. Celebrating that 100th
anniversary, the Scunthorpe Steel Amateur Radio Club will be
active as GB5CQD on 24-25 January. QSL via G0OKF. Information on
other stations participating in the Jack Binns' special event can
be found at http://www.jackbinns.org/
H4 - Bernhard, DL2GAC [425DXN 917] will arrive in Honiara, Solomon
Islands, on 10 January. He is expected to stay until 28 April,
with a side trip to Temotu Province in March (see H40 below).
Bernhard plans to operate SSB as H44MS with a focus on 80 and 40
metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
H40 - Sigi/DK9FN (CW operator) and Hermann/DL2NUD (EME operator) will
join Bernhard, DL2GAC (H44MS) in late February for a 2-3 week
operation from Temotu Province [425DXN 917]. Their flight to Lata
is planned for 2 March, and Sigi will go back home on 16 March. He
plans to operate CW only on 160-6 metres, hopefully as H40FN (the
callsign he used back in 1999). Whatever callsign Sigi will be
using, the QSL route is via HA8FW (bureau preferred). [TNX The
Daily DX]
HI - Josep, EA3BT and his wife Nuria, EA3WL will be active as HI9/EA3BT
and HI9/EA3WL from Cayo Levantado (NA-122), Dominican Republic on
21-27 January. They plan to operate mainly SSB and digital modes
on 10-80 metres, with an amplifier, a beam for 10-20 metres and a
vertical for 40 and 80 metres. QSL via EA3BT. [TNX EA3BT]
I - Angelo, IK1UGX is active as IY1GM until 31 March to commemorate
the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs awarded to
Guglielmo Marcnoni. QSL via home call. [TNX IK1VKH]
KL - The same operators who activated NA-234 in 2008 plan to be active
as KL7RRC from Ogliuga Island in the Delarof Islands Group
(NA-233, new one) indicatively between 20 and 30 July, IOTA
Contest included. Further details are expected in due course;
preliminary information can be found at
http://www.na-234.com/index.html (click on "NA-233 Plans").
KP2 - Look for KP2/JA1CJA, KP2/JA3AVO and KP2/JA3BZO to be active from
St. Croix, US Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 17-22 January. They plan
to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres. [TNX The
Daily DX]
T3 - Udo, DL9HCU [425DXN 922] is currently active as T30HC from Western
Kiribati for about a week. "Then he will go to Banaba (T33HC) if
the boat is on schedule", The Daily DX reports. QSL via home call.
W - Due to popular demand, the Old Barney ARC (www.obarc.org) has
decided to extend the N2OB/150 and N2OB/LH special event operation
[425DXN 920] through 31 March. [TNX N2OO]

XX - Vincent, F4BKV (http://www.f4bkv.net/) will be active as XX9TKV
from Coloane Island (AS-075), Macau on until 12 January. QSL via
home call. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
YN - Stan/AC8W, Hank/K8DD, Jim/KB8TXZ and Lee/N8LJ will be active from
Nicaragua for one week starting on 17 February, ARRL DX CW Contest
included. They will put an emphasis on 160, 80, 30, 17 and 12
metres. They will operate as either H7/homecall or with YN2 calls.
[TNX K8DD]
ZK2 - Chris, ZL1CT will be active as ZK2V from Niue (OC-040) between 16
May and 20 June. His 5-week expedition aims to to give as many
stations as possibile their first QSO with ZK2. Resources are
limited, and he will operate maily on 80, 40, 20 and 15 metres CW
and SSB, with some activity on 30, 17 and 12 metres and some RTTY.
QSL via N3SL. A log-search will be available at
http://www.gm7v.com/zk2v.htm, and Chris plans to update it as
often as possible. [TNX ZL1CT]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DESECHEO 2009 ---> On 19 December several members of the 12-26 February
2009 Desecheo DXpedition team, along with representatives of U.S. Fish &
Wildlife Service (USFWS), visited Desecheo Island to scout out operating
and antenna positions and do a preliminary unexploded ordnance (UXO) check.
The campsite and antenna fields were thoroughly swept for UXO and
suspicious areas were declared off limits for the DXpedition. USFWS will
allow antennas on the ridge above the helicopter pad, thus providing a
clear shot to EU, NA and JA. Other antennas will be located on the beach
below the helicopter pad. Eight HF stations plus 6 meters will be
operational. An incredible array of antennas has been planned.
Transportation and logistics have been arranged for a fast deployment and
quick appearance on the air. The complete Press Release #3 (6 January) is
available on the DXpedition's website (www.kp5.us), along with details on
how contribute to the expedition, pictures and much more information.
A new interview with Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, expedition co-leader, can be
found on the Documentary Archive's special web page
(www.dokufunk.org/desecheo). The interview was given to Wolf Harranth,
OE1WHC on 7 January.

DXCC NEWS ---> The license for T61AA (Afghanistan) has been updated. Anyone
having this operation rejected recently can send an e-mail to dxcc@...
to be placed on the list for an update. [TNX NC1L]

EPC WW DX CONTEST ---> The European PSK Club invites amateur radio
operators all over the world to participate in the EPC WW DX Contest, to be
held on 31 January-1 February (from 12 UTC to 12 UTC). Object of the
contest is to work as many stations as possible using the BPSK125 mode.

Full information can be found at http://www.epcwwdx.srars.org [TNX CT3EE]

IOTA BASH ---> The fifth annual IOTA Bash will be held on 13-14 March at the QTH of AD5A, Mike Crownover in Boerne, Texas. The agenda is being finalized and will include presentations on some of the most recent IOTA expeditions and a nice social programme. Details will be available on the IREF website (www.islandradio.org).

LOGS ---> A log search for the special event station 4A1DXXE can be found at http://www.dxxe.org/logsearch/index.php?cmd=preselect&log=4A1DXXE [TNX DL6KAC]

LOGS ---> A log-search for ZD8UW (Ascension Island) can be found at http://clublog.g7vjr.org/l.php?log=ZD8UW; the logs are being uploaded to LoTW.

QSL CT3BX ---> Hermann, HB9CRV reports that as of 31 December 2008 he is no longer the QSL manager CT3BX. No new QSL manager has been nominated so far and the logs are closed. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL ZS1REC ---> Effective 1 January, the new QSL route is via OK1DOT, direct only: Petr Gustab, P.O. Box 52, Cesky Brod 282 01, Czech Republic. The other stations Petr is the current QSL manager for are 3W22S, 3W3W, 9G5SW, 9M2/G4VGO, 9V1GO, EP4SP, HK1AR, HK3KAV, NL7G, TG9AKH, WP3F, XV1X, XV9DT, YB1JZS, YB5AQB, YI9CC and ZS6CCY. [TNX OK1DOT]

QSL FROM CHILE ---> Still waiting for a QSO with a Chilean station (3G, CA, CC, CD, CE, XQ or XR) to be confirmed? You may find help from Jose Luis Jimenez, CE1KR - check http://hunting-qsl.blogspot.com/ [TNX I0DJV]

QSL VIA E77E ---> The QSL cards for a number of stations Robert, E77E is the QSL manager for (E7HQ, E7DX, E74AW, E75A, E79D to name a few) are still awaited from the printer. There is no need to send second direct cards, just be patient. The first batch of bureau cards (Robert is the E7 outgoing bureau manager) is expected to be mailed in March. The address for incoming bureau cards has not changed: E7 QSL Bureau, P.O. Box 61, 71000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. [TNX E77E]

VE POSTAL RATES ---> Canadian postal rates will rise on 12 January. The new rates for standard letter items up to 30 grams (1 ounce) will be $0.57 (within Canada), $1.03 (Canada to the USA) and $1.73 (Canada to any other country). [TNX VA3RJ]

XE1KK/XF1 ---> Ramon, XE1KK operated as XE1KK/XF1 from a couple of islands in the NA-124 IOTA group between late December and early January. A presentation on these "lunch time" activities can be found at http://files.xe1kk.com/XE1KK-XF1.pdf. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and uploaded to LoTW; direct cards should be sent to XE1KK. [TNX K6HFA]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/SP2JMB, 3D2YA (OC-121),
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ZF1DX, ZF2AM, ZK2AH, ZK3MW.

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8738. [425ENG] 425 DX News #923 [Calendar]

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Date: 2009-01-09 16:57:34 UTC
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8739. e44m

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-10 21:57:42 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8739 Message: 8739

Just so I make sure of myself.....they are qrt 0000z...right?

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Dale K8TS

8740. Did someone turn out the lights?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 03:09:48 UTC
From: Dale Cole K9TTT
Topic: 8740 Message: 8740

Not a peep out of anyone today.

8741. Re: [DX-IS] Did someone turn out the lights?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 03:29:22 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8740 Message: 8741

At 11:09 PM 1/10/2009, you wrote:
>Not a peep out of anyone today.
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We're all chasing DX and playing in the NAQP, I guess. 290 QSOs logged today, 4 digital, 2 SSB, and 284 CW. Not much to discuss, apparently. I think the E44M operation wound down today, and the TS7C one is one the air.

Apparently they (TS7C) had some trouble getting their gear cleared through the customs (only 3 out of 4 rigs on the air.) I managed to work them on 17 SSB/CW, 20 CW/RTTY and 30 RTTY. Other than that, I've pretty much been working Ws and VEs in the NAQO.

Oh yeah, I think another little cycle 24 sunspot formed, breaking the spotless day period at 27 or 28. The flux sky rocketed from 69 to 70.

73, Paul VE1DX

8742. Re: [DX-IS] Did someone turn out the lights?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 04:13:06 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8740 Message: 8742

Forgot about the NAQP, don't work that one.....don't know why though

Only spots I have seen on the TS have been RTTY (someday gotta get)

Gave up on the E44 this afternoon.....snow all day, QRN terribale on vertical, no horizontal

Go get 'em Paul

Dale

8743. Re: Did someone turn out the lights?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 12:24:23 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8740 Message: 8743

I got in a snit one day when someone on another cluster reported:

"Ten meters is wide open!"

Turned out, of course, that a guy in Texas had worked some guy in Minnesota. I made a sarcastic post about the definition of "open" without really addressing "wide open." All it brought was a bunch of sneers - perhaps appropriate.

A friend of mine in our local club told me one day "Ten meters is open all the time to *somewhere*!" I told him, yes, I agree, but if that somewhere is from your house to Sioux Falls, SD, it may open for a narrow path and maybe for not very long. Kind of like a wormhole! (I have my phaser set for deep fat fry if anyone challenges me!)

My definition of "wide open" is I can get on 10 meters and talk to Rene in California and the next guy is someone who calls me from England.

Now I just do the intelligent thing when someone posts something about "wide open." I just go to the next post!

Thanks for calling me in the NAQP. Worked 7 hours for 430+ QSOs. Fair to middlin'. Heard a Delaware guy running around but never snared him. Also never heard North Dakota. Does anyone still live in North Dakota?

Art - N4PJ

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8744. E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 13:37:02 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8744

The E44M guys are QRT. This is the first DXpedition of any size that I have not worked in a long time. Had prop for about 8 hours while they were working NA on 20 CW. I wouldn't have even known I was getting out except for the one call I made on his transmitte frequency. At that time I got good signal reports from about 20,000 UPPERS.

Win, W0LZ

8745. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 14:42:16 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8740 Message: 8745

The E44M operation was one that I did not need for an all time new one, but I was interested in making a 100 W low band contact IF they seemed loud enough. I called a few times (including during the NAQP) but never thought the propagation was good when they were working NA.

73 & DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Win
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 7:37 AM
To: DX-IS@...m
Subject: [DX-IS] E44M

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Win, W0LZ

8746. RE: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 15:16:40 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8740 Message: 8746

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 15:31:26 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8747

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8748. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 16:04:25 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8748

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8749. TS7C (was E44M)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 16:06:24 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8454 Message: 8749

Changing the topic slightly, Win, I have been in the pile-up on TS7C for a bit here this morning. The operator is desperately trying to clear the non-NA callers (almost all European, I presume) so he can take advantage of the short opening to us.

But, BUT, on top of that, even if the operator gets a part of a NA call and asks for it, there are hundreds of North Americans calling anyway. So it is virtually impossible for me, or anyone else for that matter, to find a QSO and try to call on or near the frequency, after a successful contact
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Fortunately, I don't need the country but I'd like the IOTA and the prefix. Probably not gonna happen with the Sunday hogsters on there. His QSO rate, BTW, is absolutely dismal.

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Date: 2009-01-11 16:22:41 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8454 Message: 8750

Mornin' Paul,

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Actually, I think spotting during something like NAQP is a travesty and should be completely outlawed by the organizers. The point of a contest, any contest, for me, is to find, work and move on. I have absolutely no interest, or intention, of telling anyone who or where I worked anyone. That goes completely against my competitive spirit (which is fading as I get older). As for day to day spots, I would never, ever, spot a European or Caribbean station, or many South Americans for that matter, unless there was little activity from the country or unless the operator asked me to spot him/her.

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I see the TS7 has disappeared from 20M CW. Woulda been nice but guess it ain't gonna happen for me.

Spotting too much!!! What a man with chutzpah. Would love to know his call so I could harass him :-).

73

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8753. RE: [DX-IS] E44M

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Date: 2009-01-11 16:33:10 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8454 Message: 8753

Hi Rich,

Heard you in there, as well as last night on 80M, and feel I must comment from my point of view.

#1 - agreed
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My imagination or not, I believe there was a lot of political expression over the E4 operation, another sad commentary.

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Date: 2009-01-11 16:38:09 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 8454 Message: 8754

I really wonder why bad operating practice propagates so well/fast while good practice is stuck at the bottom of the sunspot cycle on 10M.

Unfortunately, you see this in eyeball conversations too this day. The male-male one talk, one listen mode seems dead. It is more like the everybody talks and listens (maybe) at the same time. I wonder if the teen text messaging mess, where one is having multiple simultaneous conversations, is partially responsible. Multitasking gone mad.

It used to be one had one mouth and two ears for a reason.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 17:11:37 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8756

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Date: 2009-01-11 17:12:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8757 Message: 8757

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8758. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Did someone turn out the lights?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 17:49:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8740 Message: 8758

----- Original Message -----
From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
> "Ten meters is wide open!"
> A friend of mine in our local club told me one day "Ten meters is
> open all the time to *somewhere*!"
- -
That needs a little more clarification. 10m can be open wiff F layer (fat chance now) or Sporadic E (rarly) including backscatter and sidescatter and line of sight. Line of sight makes it open all the time to 'somewhere' (local).
rene

8759. Re: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 18:11:32 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8454 Message: 8759

But- you see, Im there for new ones - not the contest itself. The spot help me locate and work what I need (skipping those I dont). A contester needs them all, so either he sits in one place and they come to him, or he starts at one end of the band and works his way up to the other. Since I got onto the world wide spot nets, Ive done more "contesting" than ever before - even though that consists of 20-150 contacts per contest, only.

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 11:22 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] E44M

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Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:04 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M

At 11:31 AM 1/11/2009, you wrote:
>You are right, Al, The conduct on this one was about as bad as I have seen.
>And, yes, amateur radio is no longer the hobby we once new. Makes me
>wonder, sometimes, if I should seek a more wholesome hobby. But I have
>too damn many years and too damn much time invested.
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>Bitter? Also!
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>Win, W0LZ

Win, Al, etc,

Yes, it was I who opined that Ham radio was a hobby of the 20th century. I beat the dead horse all the time, and I'll just give it another kick this time. It's not the fault of the clusters and electronic keyers. It's not the elimination of CW. It's the lack of enforcement of the Ham radio laws world wide. The USA and Canada were leaders in that area, and they shifted their resources to other things. That's the end of it. Other countries followed suit. You take away the enforcement and make it a self-policing "honour system"
and anything will degrade into chaos. It can't be fixed, so we have to use it as it is or take up something else.

I too found the jamming and mis-behaviour of the E44M operation to be one of the worst in recent memory. The current TS7C crew are not getting jammed nearly as bad. E44M was an embarrassment to the hobby. I wish I could explain why they were different. They weren't particularly bad operators, and their signals were pretty good. I guess a half dozen nuts decided they were going to disrupt the operation every chance the could, and they did a pretty good job of it.

As Al said, for the most part only those with beams and linears got through. I was lucky enough to be one of them, but what should have been 2-3 calls *always* turned into a slugfest that lasted an hour or more. It wasn't fun. Working DX and breaking pileups used to be fun. It's not when you have to spend and hour working what would have been a simple QSO 20 years ago. The art of pileup breaking is gone. He who gets through is the one with the loudest signal, who calls all the time blindly, and can get enough filters (rig filters and psychological filters) in place to recognize their call when the DX comes back to them. That's not how it used to be, not how it should be, but it is the way it is. I do not see it

changing in the future. What will happen is our numbers will dwindle as we die off, and the new kids won't bother. In 20 years there will be no Ham radio.

Am I bitter? No. Bitter won't fix it. I'm sad. Sort of like I would feel if a close friend became a SK.

Speaking of strange stuff, I got an email last night from a W1 telling me I was spotting too much stuff during the NAQP. Maybe he was right. I don't know what prompted it.

73, Paul VE1DX

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8760. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:06:22 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8760

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8761. RE: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:12:35 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8454 Message: 8761

Good heavens, Paul, it isn't that I'm on death's doorstep! No, this bug just doesn't want to go away. I've still got a slight nagging cough and stuffed sinuses that won't leave. Apparently it is not uncommon to have flu-like symptoms around here for weeks. I'll recover :-).

As for the cluster, yes, I have done some filtering. But because I want to know what others are hearing/working, I leave a lot of stuff in. What I'm not particularly interested in, however, are spots from UA0 for JAs, even on 160, or spots on 20 for DLs and Fs from K4s. I worked J28JA to say HNY on 20 and he's one of a very few J28s who is active. I thought briefly about spotting Jean but decided against it because he's pretty regular and besides, someone else had spotted him. Same with 5N/LZ1QK who was lower in the band. While he clearly came back to me, several Ws decided to keep calling, making my QSO a little messy, but likewise, he's pretty regular and had been spotted and so I didn't spot.

The last thing in the world I want to do is to brag, unless, of course, there's a bloody good reason.

BTW, I also can click and shoot. However, if I do click, I always listen long enough to see if the spot is correct, whether he's working my area (NA) and just how strong he is before I get in there shootin'. I just saw a couple of phony spots mentioning ZS8T. What morons.

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Al, VE1AL

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8762. RE: [DX-IS] E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:16:00 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8454 Message: 8762

I suspect you're absolutely right, Win, but I don't need it. I will, however, work it on as many bands/modes as possible, several days after it begins. And I'll do the same thing with KP1 when it comes up again.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:20:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8757 Message: 8763

Believe it or not, Paul, I have never applied for WAS on any mode. I am not interested, have never been interested, and never will be interested. As for digital, fuggidaboutit.

I wonder if Hans gets a small percentage of the gate for suggesting this colossal waste of time. Let's see, perhaps I could start a triple-play WAVE. I wouldn't charge much.

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8764. RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:23:44 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8757 Message: 8764

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Danny Douglas
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 4:06 PM
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8765. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:26:49 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8757 Message: 8765

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Well, N1BAA cleaned up all 50 on RTTY in the roundup (all 50
LoTW confirmed) and I'm betting he has made a big dent on the CW side
because he was going full bore in the NAQP. My money is on him to
get serial #1.

Sure it's about money, but it puts some interest back in
operating. I am not actively pursuing it, but it's something to
dabble at. If I stick purely to DXCC stuff, I'll work 10 "new"
things a year if I'm lucky. We need sunspots or we are going to have
to get more serious about bands, modes and awards that do not require
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8766. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

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Topic: 8757 Message: 8766

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8767. RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:30:14 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8757 Message: 8767

But what does it mean?

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Al, VE1AL

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To: DX IS! <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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8768. calling CQ on CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:39:12 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8768 Message: 8768

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8769. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:44:05 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8769

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8770. RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:48:21 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8757 Message: 8770

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Danny Douglas
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8771. Re: [DX-IS] calling CQ on CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:50:58 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8768 Message: 8771

They dont have to know how to receive, let alone send CW. Its like all those spots that keep wakin me up from a nap with BY5 in the call, and when I listen its 6Y5. Half of that is because the idiots spotting cant copy, or figure out that there is not going to be an 80 meter BY station heard here on the east coast at 2 O'clock in the afternoon, and the other half because the Jamaican DX station really is sending a 6 when he should be sending a B, but there still isnt going to be a BY heard on the particular band, at whatever time of day it is. CW Spots (in particular) should be limited to those who pass a 20 wpm CW test, send and receive.
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:53:23 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8757 Message: 8772

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8773. Re: [DX-IS] calling CQ on CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:56:22 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8768 Message: 8773

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8774. RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 20:58:42 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8757 Message: 8774

As a lifetime member of CANAD-X and a former editor of the bulletin, Long Skip, I can't honestly recall any awards ever offered by the group. I don't know who offered the Seaway Award, or the one for working all the provincial capitals or all the provinces. The guy who would know is Garry Hammond, VE3XN. I don't know if Garry lurks here or not.

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8775. Re: [DX-IS] calling CQ on CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 21:15:07 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8768 Message: 8775

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 21:30:37 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 8768 Message: 8776

Those guys are in the "worked all YQ" contest.

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8777. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #892

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 22:03:55 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 8777 Message: 8777

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*** SPECIAL NOTICE FROM THE EDITOR (by KB8NW): There will be "NO BULLETIN" for January 19th. Linda (XYL/chief proof-reader) and I will be heading south to Port Richey, FL, because her dad has become ill and is in the hospital. However, PLEASE continue to send your DX info to me; I should have InterNet access..... TNXS and GUD DX de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th/January, through Sunday, 11th/January there were 216 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV9, T30, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3W/XV, VIETNAM. Mike, OM2DX (aka E4/OM2DX, YI9X..etc), is now in Hanoi, and is working for the Embassy of the Slovak Republic. He has obtained a license with the callsigns XV9DX and 3W1M. He is expected to be here the next 3 years and be active on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digi modes. QRNs shown that Mike has been on 40/20/17/15 meters CW this past week. QSL via OM3JW.

5X, UGANDA. Peter, DL8SBQ, is now active as 5X4X from Arua until June. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters SSB. Over the past week Peter was on 20/17/15 meters. He uses only 100 watts into a Spiderbeam for 20-10 meters and a Zepp antenna for 40 meters. PLEASE NOTE: Peter cannot operate after 2000z because the power is off in Arua. So, if you hear a station on after that time, it is a pirate. QSL via DF5GQ.

7X, ALGERIA. Fred, ON6QR, will be active as 7X2ARA, the club callsign of "Amamteur Radio Algerians", for only a few hours this week. He will be on the air starting at 2000z on January 17th, until early morning on the 18th. His aim is to make QSOs during the Hungarian DX Contest and will be pleased to put you in the log. His activity will be on both CW and SSB; bands will be used according to propagation. QSL via 7X2ARA.

A3, TONGA (EME DXpedition Report). Paul, A35RK, informs that he has been talking to Bob, ZL1RS (now signing as A35RS), on the phone because he was a little concerned about him due to some nasty weather and wind storms coming out of the NW. Bob is situated on the NW end of the island. Paul states, "Bob said that he has had some trouble keeping his antenna pointed, because of the wind, but he's fine and all his equipment is working OK. Bob said that he has made about 60 2m EME contacts so far."

ATTENTION 6M DXERS. Justin, K9MU, has an interesting North American 50 MHz Beacon Map available at: http://www.k9mu.com/map/
Also, visit his VHF Web page at: http://www.k9mu.com

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, reports that the following is approved for DXCC credit:
T61AA - Afghanistan
PLEASE NOTE: The license for this operation has been updated. Anyone having this operation rejected recently can send an E-mail to <dxcc@...> to be placed on the list for an update.

E4, PALESTINE (Update). The E44M operation is now QRT. For this operation you can either QSL direct, by the Bureau or LoTW (in reasonable time). An online log search is available at:
http://www.hamradioweb.org/e44mlogsearch.html
PLEASE NOTE: The QSL Manager for BUREAU QSL CARDS is SP3DOI.
The QSL Manager for DIRECT QSL CARDS is IZ0BTV.
Also, BUREAU QSL CARDS can be requested via E-mail at: QSLE44M@...
Your request must be clear and complete with all the details (your callsign, time, RST, date, mode...). Please don't send them multiple E-mails for each QSOs, only one (with all your QSOs listed) will be enough. Any incomplete E-mails without these will be ignored. BUREAU cards will be managed after the direct ones. For updates, watch the following Web pages.

The forum at: http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=39
The E44M Web page at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/e44m

FREE HAM MAGAZINES.....
* HAM-MAG - There are 26 pages of interesting stuff to read. All in color and PDF format. HAM-MAG states it is "The First 'E-magazine' for ham radio operators. A magazine without paper is a tree saved!" Check it out at: http://ham.france.free.fr/crbst_18.html

* Richard Moseson, W2VU, CQ Amateur Radio Editorial Director, announced on January 8th, the following:
"WorldRadio Online - E-mail Notification List Established --
A new e-mail list has been established to notify readers of the availability of each new issue of 'WorldRadio' magazine, which is converting to a free online-only publication ('WorldRadio Online') as of its February 2009 issue. 'WorldRadio' subscribers and any other interested people may sign up for the list at:
http://mailman.sunserver.com/mailman/listinfo/WorldRadio-L
Direct links to this signup page will be posted on both the CQ magazine website at <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com> and the old 'WorldRadio' website at <http://www.wr6wr.com/>. Monthly e-mail alerts will include highlights of each new issue, along with instructions and hotlinks for connecting with the online issue. The e-mail addresses will be used only by CQ Communications, Inc., and will not be rented or sold. Each issue of 'WorldRadio Online' will be posted in PDF format, permitting readers the choice of browsing articles online or downloading the issue to their own computers to read at their convenience or even to print out in part or in whole. Access to 'WorldRadio Online' will be free of charge. Most of WorldRadio's columnists will continue to write for the new online edition. In November 2008, CQ Communications, Inc. purchased 'WorldRadio' upon the decision of founding publisher Armond Noble, N6WR, to retire and sell the magazine."

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA (Update). Phil, F5PHW, informs OPDX that his 2 year assignment in Tahiti will begin during the summer in August and end in July of 2011. He will be there with his family, and since he is there for work, his on air activities will be limited, but he will try to operate as much as possible. At the moment he doesn't know where he will be living (house or apartment). If he lives in a house, Phil intends to be active on all HF bands from 80-10 meters mainly on CW and RTTY (possibly some PSK31) with very little SSB using only 100 watts. His antennas from the house QTH will be:
80-40m - Inverted V + HF6VX (GP)
30m - HF6VX
20-10m - HF6VX + Spiderbeam (not sure)
However, if he lives in an apartment the antenna may only be the HF6VX. QSL via F8BPN, by the Bureau or direct. QSL will also by LoTW. Phil tells OPDX that if he has time, he will create a Web page with photos and an online log search. More information is forthcoming, especially about his callsign. ADDED NOTES: Phil has been active as J28BS (1993-1994-1999),

6W1/F5PHW (1994-1997), FM/F5PHW (1994-1995) and F5PHW/P EU032. All these operations are available via the LoTW.

HEADING TO THE CARIBBEAN (Maritime Mobile). John, ZS1JNT, left Cape Town, South Africa (in mid-December), in the new catamaran called "Oceans Dream 2" heading towards the Carribean. The 40 ft. catamaran is headed to Chaguaramas, Trinidad & Tobago. John will be operating Maritime Mobile under the callsign ZS1JNT/MM. He recently left James Bay, St. Helena, on January 7th. Look for him to be active on 20 meters after 1800z, possibly on 14297.5 kHz (or between 14235-14250 kHz). Read his interesting blog at: http://www.sailblogs.com/member/deliveries
You can also track him at: http://shiptrak.org/?callsign=ZS1JNT&filter=60

H7/YN7, NICARAGUA (Date Correction). Operators Stan/AC8W, Hank/K8DD, Jim/KB8TXZ and Lee/N8LJ will be active for one week starting February 17th. Their activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd). Emphasis will be on 160/80 meters and 30/17/12 meters. Their callsigns (TBA later) will be either be H7/homecall or YN2 callsigns. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-038. During the annual Dutch PACC Contest, members of the PA3FKN PACC Team will activate the Island of Ameland, one of the West Frisian Islands off the north coast of the Netherlands. It consists mostly of sand dunes. "This is a good opportunity for island chasers to contact EU-038 on all bands, propagation permitting", according to Gerben, PG5M. The PA3FKN PACC Team members are: Bote/PA0BVD, Aloys/PA3DAT, Wietse/PA3DDJ, Berend/ PA3FAL, Eric/PA3FKN, Douwe/PD0RXP, Laurens/PD3LHS, Andries/ PE1PIX, Peter/PE1PIX, Joeri/PE5JW, Gialt/PE1OLM and Gerben/ PG5M. As this is not a permanent contest location, all equipment has to be transported to the island and installed and setup just before the contest. The list of equipment is extensive, including 8 transceivers, 13 antenna configurations, masts, more than 2 km of coax cable, etc. which altogether is more than 2500 KG. For the low bands they will use: 160m - 2 phased verticals, 80m - 4 square dipoles and 40m - 4 square verticals. Time and dates: 1200z, Saturday, February 14th, to 1200z, Sunday, February 15th. For more information on the PACC Contest, visit the official PACC Web site at: http://pacc.veron.nl
Also, watch the following Web page for updates (especially during the contest) at: http://www.dx.to

NA-122. Operators Josep/EA3BT and his XYL Nuria/EA3WL will operate as HI9/EA3BT and/or HI9/EA3WL from Cayo Levantado Island in the Dominican Republic's Coastal Islands Group, January 21-27th. Nuria will operates SSB while Josep handles the CW. Activity will be mainly SSB and the Digital modes, on 80-10 meters. They will use a Yaesu FT-900, w/Ameritron ALS-600 amp into a Cushcraft MA5B antenna for 20-10 meters, and a Butternut HF2V for 80/40 meters. QSL via EA3BT.

NA-223. Members of the Russian Robinson Club will be active as KL7RRC
from Ogliuga Island, Alaska, between July 21st and August 3rd.
Activity will be on 160-6 meters including an entry in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are:
N3QQ, RA3NAN, RU4SU and UA9OBA. Watch for updates on:
http://www.na-234.com/index.html (Click on NA-233 Plans).

KP5, DESECHEO ISLAND DXPEDITION (Updates and News).....
* The Documentary Archive Radio Communication provides, on its Web site
<http://www.dokufunk.org>, another special (second) exclusive interview
with Co-Team Leader Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, on the coverage of the
upcoming KP5 Desecheo DXpedition. This interview has background
information on the recent visit to the island and some details about
the upcoming operation scheduled for February 12-26th. Listen to the
interview at: http://www.dokufunk.org/desecheo

* As mentioned in special bulletin OPDX.891.1, Several members of the
team visited Desecheo on December 17th, 2008, on a recon mission
along with USFWS and security personnel. The KP5 Web page has several
interesting photos available for viewing at:
http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/pictures.htm

* European Press Release (from dx-hamspirit.com): KP5 Team Prepares
for Europe!: "The KP1-5 Project is very aware of the need for KP5
(Desecheo) in Europe. Previous DXpeditions contended with an obstructed
path to Europe making working this #3 most needed country difficult
at best. During the recent reconnaissance trip to KP5, agreement was
reached that will allow antennas to be placed on a ridgeline above the
helipad that will give a clear path to Europe! The team wants to provide
as many EU hams with a QSO as possible." See the complete press release
(with detailed pictures) at the following Web page:
http://dx-hamspirit.com/2009/01/09/european-press-release-kp5-desecheo-island/

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY (Operation Extended). Members of the "Old Barney
Amateur Radio Club (OBARC) have extended their activity as N2OB/150 and
N2OB/LH through March 31st, due to popular demand. Operations will be
on all bands and modes available. This activity is to celebrate the
relighting and the 150th anniversary of the "Barnegat Lighthouse" (nick-
named "Old Barney"). See OPDX.889 for more details. N2OB/150 stations
will be operating from various locations around "Ocean County". Some
operations from the lighthouse property may be possible, and the callsign
N2OB/LH will be used which will count for working the lighthouse and
IOTA NA-111. A nice color photo QSL is being planned showing the relighting
of the lighthouse. QSL via N2OB (SASE requested) or by the Bureau is "OK".
Visit the OBARC Web page at: http://www.obarc.org

LY1000, LITHUANIA (Special Event). To mark the "Millennium of Lithuania"
(see http://www.lietuvai1000.lt/index.en.htm), members of the Amateur
Radio Society of Lithuania (LRMD) is issuing a special wooden plaque to
those who can fulfil the required following conditions:
Contact Special Event Stations with the prefix LY1000 (14 active
stations) or other LY stations from 01-JAN-2009 to 31-DEC-2009 and

collect 1000 points. Points are earned as follows:

A. European stations: 150 points for each contact with the Special Event Station LY1000 (At least 5 contacts necessary.) 50 points with other LY station.

B. DX stations: 300 points for each contact with the Special Event Station LY1000 (At least 3 contacts necessary.) 100 points with other LY station.

Applications deadline - December 31, 2010. Please send certified list of contacts (no QSL please) and payment to the LRMD Award Manager. Please give your E-mail address with your application, in case they have to contact you by E-mail. PRICE: 10 Euro or equivalent in USD.
Here are the Special Event LY1000 Stations and their operating dates:
LY1000FW (Op. Giedrius/LY1FW) from 01-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000GV (Op. Gintautas/LY2GV) from 01-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000QT (Op. Valerijus/LY2QT) from 01-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000WN (Op. Algimantas/LY2WN) from 01-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000M (Op. Vytautas/LY3M) from 01-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000NX (Op. Romas/LY3NX) from 01-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000W (Op. Rimantas/LY3W) from 01-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000CV (Op. Boleslovas/LY2CV) from 07-JAN-2009 until 01-MAR-2009
LY1000CM (Op. Bronius/LY1CM) from 02-MAR-2009 until 30-APR-2009
LY1000X (Op. Tomas/LY3X) from 02-APR-2009 until 31-MAY-2009
LY1000A (Op. Jonas/LY5A) from 02-MAY-2009 until 30-JUN-2009
LY1000Q (Op. Rolandas/LY4Q) from 13-JUN-2009 until 11-AUG-2009
LY1000G (Op. Stanislovas/LY1G) from 03-JUL-2009 until 31-AUG-2009
LY1000LA (Op. Eduardas/LY4LA) from 03-JUL-2009 until 31-AUG-2009

Any questions regarding this and other LRMD awards, can be sent via E-mail to: diplomai@... --or-- ly4q@...
Also, visit the LRMD Web page at: http://www.lrmd.ivi.lt/en/index.htm

P4, ARUBA. John, KK9A, will be active as P40A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via WD9DZV.

QRP NEWS. The 2009 QRP Challenge is now going on as of Janaury 1st. The event is to "Promote QRP portable operations with 'light' equipment, as well as the longest distance in kilometers with as few watts as possible."
For details, visit the Web page at:
http://qrpfr.free.fr/challenge/index_gb.php

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL ROUTES by Johannes, DK8JB:
9W2NTO direct
9W2IBR direct
J79WE via DL8WEM

NEW QSL MANAGER. Petr, OK1DOT, informs that he is now the QSL Manager for Raoul, ZS1REC.

NEW QSL TRACKING SERVICE IN CHILE. Have you sent a QSL to Chile but had no reply? Perhaps you had a contact with XQ, CE, CA, CD, XR, 3G, CC which has not been confirmed. A group of Chilean amateurs are offering to try to help to obtain missing card or cards by carrying out searches and making enquiries in Chile. This service is offered as a goodwill gesture by some Chilean amateurs and is completely free. To use the service you need to contact Jose Luis Jimenez. His E-mail address is: ce1kr.joseluis@...
You can write to him in Spanish or English. Full details are available on the Web site at: http://hunting-qsl.blogspot.com

HAVE PATIENCE! More QSL cards are still being received for the many UA4WHX operations. Vlad is still sending them out.

XE1KK/XF1 QSL STATUS. Ramon, XE1KK, recently active from the Baja California Sur State South East Group (NA-124), reports that QSLs will be designed and printed soon. He plans to send out a QSL card for each QSO via the bureau. No need to QSL back. Direct QSL will also be available for those who need the card faster. Logs will also be uploaded very soon on the LoTW. Ramon adds that he has made a presentation of his "lunch time" expeditions (as he calls it) and it can be download at: http://files.xe1kk.com/XE1KK-XF1.pdf
Also, Joaquin, XE1R, made a short video on Youtube with several QSOs were recorded from his home. You can watch the video at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGaatmYRCL8

ARE YOU IN THE LOG? The ZD8UW log search is available online at: http://clublog.g7vjr.org/l.php?log=ZD8UW

QSLS VIA LOTW: ER0WW, P49X and ZD8UW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0VB, 4J4K, 5H3VMB, 5N/LZ1QK, 5R8VB, 5X1VB, 7Q7VB, 9J2VB, 9U0VB, 9X0VB, A25VB, C91VB, C91VB/4, C98RF, D20VB, D60VB, EZ21BO, EZ8BO, EZ8CQ, FJ/OH2AM, J20VB, JD1BMM, K5S, K7A, KH0AB, P29VLR, VU4AN, VU7SJ, XW1B, YN2I, YU8/OH2R, Z2/UA4WHX, ZA0/I0SNY and ZK3MW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

S2, BANGLADESH (Reminder). The St. Martin's Island, Teknaf, Bangladesh, operation will take place this week between January 16-22nd. The callsign will be S21DX. The six main operators will be: S21RC (Fazlay Rabby), S21AM (Manjurul Haque), S21DM (DM Hemayet), S21S (Sohel Awrangzeb), S21RO (Rasedul Islam) and S21SA (Sayra Shahlin, YL). QSL Manager will be EB7DX (www.eb7dx.com). For more details and updates, visit their Web page at: http://s2iota.eb7dx.com

SV/A, MOUNT ATHOS (Topband). Monk Apollo, Sv2ASP/A, has been showing up on 160 meters. He was on 1843 kHz at between/around 0545-0615z on December 29th, and between/around 0538-1612z on January 9th. He "may" show up again between/around the same time this week. Agelos, SV3RF, states, "Although he uses a low dipole barefoot he hears quiet well being in an area free of noise."

T33, BANABA ISLAND. Udo, DL9HCU, who was active as T30HC from Tarwa Island this past week (up to Janaury 10th), may be headed to Banaba Island (according to several sources) and sign T33HC. QSL via his home callsign.

T8, PALAU (Reminder). Operators Mike/JA6EGL, Yas/JA6UBY, Yu/JE6DND and Hiro/JA6KYU will be active as T88SM, T88CP, T88HK and T88HS, respectively, from Koror Island (OC-009), this week between January 16-18th. Activity will be 80-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via their home callsigns (direct only).

TO4, REUNION ISLAND (AF-016). Daniel, F5LGQ, will be active as TO4IPA between January 13-31st.

TS7, TUNISIA (Update/IOTA Op). Members of the France Provins ARC (F6KOP) and some international operators are now active from Kerkennah Island (AF-073) using the callsign TS7C until January 19th. The team had some problems with customs with some of the transmitters, but by the time you read this, they should have all the stations (six) on the air. QSL via Sylvain, F4EGD, either direct or by the REF-Union Bureau (Please only via this bureau). More details are available on the DXpedition's Web site at: http://www.ts7c.net

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS (Reminder/Update/YL Op!). Just a reminder that an international group of YLs will activate the Falkland Islands (SA-002) between January 17-31st. Each operator will be signing with the callsign "VP8YL*", where the third letter of the suffix will be assigned to each YL operator at beginning of the operation. There will be 8 YLs from the following countries active from Falkland Islands:
2 from the UK 1 from Japan
1 from the Netherlands 1 from USA
1 from Italy 1 from Norway
1 from Greece
YL operators mentioned at present include: Janet/VP8AIB, Chantal/PA3GQG, Unni/LA6RHA, Jeanie/WA6UVF, Mio/JR3MVF, Liz/M0ACL, Victoria/SV2KBS, Nicky/M5YLO and Ruth/IT9ESZ. The YL team will fly into the Falklands on January 17th. Together with Janet, VP8AIB, and other YLs from Falkland will all activate VP8YL* for 14 days. All the YLs coming from around the world will be getting their VP8 callsign on Monday, January 19th. During the first weekend they will operate as VP8YLC which is the YL club's callsign on Falkland. The YLs will be operating from QTHs in Stanley (one from the home of Bob/VP8LP and Janet/VP8AIB and the other from a hut not far from Bob/Janet's home). Some of the YLs will bring along their own HF rigs. Some will stay for a week and the others for two weeks. The activity will be mainly on SSB, on all bands (80-10m), but only 20 hours every day. There will be 4 stations with the following antennas: two SteppIR 3 element beam and two vertical SteppIR.
QSL via operator's home callsign. Look for more information to become available at: http://www.radioclubs.net/aa_vp8yl_/

XR27, CHILE (Special Event). Chilean operators from the Atacama region will activate special event station XR27RAID between Janaury 11-24th. Operations will be on all bands using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via HA1AG, by the Bureau or direct to: Zoli Pitman, Somogyi Bela UT 18, Gyor 9024,

HUNGARY. QSL are also "OK" via CE6TBN. Activity is to celebrate the running of the Association of Raidistas de Atacama's (ALTAR) jeepera adventure, the 27th Raid Atacama Desert Trophy which takes place between January 20-25th. For more details, see: http://www.raid-atacama.cl

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

ZK2, NIUE (OC-040). Chris, ZL1CT (GM3WOJ), will be active as ZK2V between May 16th and June 20th. He states that this 5 week DXpedition is not a "Holiday DXpedition" but it aims to give as many stations their first QSO with ZK2 as possible. This is the cyclone season, so operation may be interrupted by electrical storms. Resources are limited, so activity will be mainly on 80/40/20/15 meters using CW and SSB, with some 30/17/12 meter activity and RTTY. Planned operations include entries in the 2009 ARRL CW and Phone Contests. QSL via N3SL. More details will be forthcoming.

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

8778. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 22:23:15 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8757 Message: 8778

Oh gawd - I'm thrilled just to get to work ONE new one a year!
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
If I stick purely to DXCC stuff, I'll work 10 "new" things a year if I'm lucky. We need sunspots or we are going to have to get more serious about bands, modes and awards that do not require much F2 propagation.

73, Paul VE1DX

8779. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 22:25:40 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8757 Message: 8779

Chintz is a fabric and Paw would be a muddy footprint on the fabric...
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:30 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

But what does it mean?

73

Al, VE1AL

8780. Re: [DX-IS] calling CQ on CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 22:31:45 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8768 Message: 8780

Ill bite. Whats a YQ?
Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: "Dave AA6YQ" <aa6yq@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 4:30 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] calling CQ on CW

> Those guys are in the "worked all YQ" contest.
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> 73,
>
> Dave, AA6YQ
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of
> Alan
> Leith
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 3:39 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] calling CQ on CW
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> Are my ears playing tricks on me or am I actually hearing more and more
> people sending "YQ YQ YQ de xxxxxx xxxxxx xxxxxx YQ K" on CW these days?
> I
> could swear I heard an OK7 and an IK1 doing just that just a few minutes
> ago. I was always taught the general call is "CQ" but maybe that's a
> change I missed.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG.
> Version: 8.0.100 / Virus Database: 270.10.5/1886 - Release Date: 1/10/2009
> 6:01 PM
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - http://www.avg.com
Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.5/1886 - Release Date: 1/10/2009
6:01 PM

8781. Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 23:21:08 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8757 Message: 8781

VE1AL wrote:

> I wonder if Hans gets a small percentage of the gate for suggesting
> this colossal waste of time.

Al,

About 3-4 years ago I suggested a WAS award for working WAS in three modes..... I suggested the name "Triple Play" because I thought it was sort of catchy. I did suggest a "fresh" starting date so that activity would be stimulated across all three modes. I didn't suggest it be LoTW-centric.

Beyond that, the idea was developed by "who-ever" in Newington.

The snide suggestion that somehow I profit from the idea is the basest sort of mean-spirited insult I've received in some time.

If not you're attracted to the idea of the award then don't commit a colossal waste of time chasing it, but have the common decency not to demean my character in the process.

de Hans, K0HB/W7

8782. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-11 23:54:45 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 8757 Message: 8782

Alan:

There are about 75 different Canadian awards shown on this link from
VA3RJ's website:
http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/awards_can.html

Ted Melinosky K1BV
The K1BV DX Awards Directory
http://www.dxawards.com/
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Alan Leith wrote:
> As a lifetime member of CANAD-X and a former editor of the bulletin, Long
> Skip, I can't honestly recall any awards ever offered by the group. I
> don't know who offered the Seaway Award, or the one for working all the
> provincial capitals or all the provinces. The guy who would know is Garry
> Hammond, VE3XN. I don't know if Garry lurks here or not.
>
> Maybe someone "up the line" can enlighten both of us.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> Paul M Dunphy
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 4:53 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it
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> At 04:20 PM 1/11/2009, you wrote:
>
>> Believe it or not, Paul, I have never applied for WAS on any mode. I
>> am not interested, have never been interested, and never will be
>>
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> sponsor anything? Does RAC offer any awards?
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8783. RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 01:16:14 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8757 Message: 8783

Thanks for the link, Ted. I now have it on file for future reference.

73 & HNY,

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ted Melinosky
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 7:55 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Alan:

There are about 75 different Canadian awards shown on this link from VA3RJ's website:
http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/awards_can.html

Ted Melinosky K1BV
The K1BV DX Awards Directory
http://www.dxawards.com/
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Alan Leith wrote:

As a lifetime member of CANAD-X and a former editor of the bulletin, Long

Skip, I can't honestly recall any awards ever offered by the group. I

don't know who offered the Seaway Award, or the one for working all the

provincial capitals or all the provinces. The guy who would know is Garry

Hammond, VE3XN. I don't know if Garry lurks here or not.

Maybe someone "up the line" can enlighten both of us.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of

Paul M Dunphy

Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 4:53 PM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

At 04:20 PM 1/11/2009, you wrote:

Believe it or not, Paul, I have never applied for WAS on any mode. I

am not interested, have never been interested, and never will be

interested.

As for digital, fuggidaboutit.

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DX-IS-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

8784. For what's it worth

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 04:00:23 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8784 Message: 8784

TJ3SP, just showed up in my LOTW

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Dale K8TS

8785. Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:02:27 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8740 Message: 8785

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Finally, two or three days before they QRTed, she worked them on 20,
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Art - N4PJ

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> the propagation was good when they were working NA.
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> 73 & DX,
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> Gary - AB9M
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> From: Win <mailto:w0lz@...>
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 7:37 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] E44M
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> The E44M guys are QRT. This is the first DXpedition of any size
that I have
>
> not worked in a long time. Had prop for about 8 hours while they
were
> working NA on 20 CW. I wouldn't have even known I was getting out
except
> for the one call I made on his transmitte frequency. At that time
I got
> good signal reports from about 20,000 UPPERS.
>

> Win, W0LZ
>

8786. Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:20:13 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8454 Message: 8786

If, like Danny, you dabble in a contest, I agree - the spots can be very beneficial. If you're still looking for that elusive AK on 80 meters (or some other band), the spots certainly help the chase.

In programs like N1MM (been too many years since CT!), if you're operating in an assisted category, the spots can populate the bandmap faster than you can whistle Dixie. The contest logging program can sort the calls by frequency, by callsign, by direction (so you're not turning the beam every three minutes) and obviously, by band.

You can tune the rig via the bandmap and virtually never touch the radio. Technology in action!

My contesting is not that serious and I generally don't connect to the cluster while I'm working most of the contests. My tuning is, for the most part, still manual. I try to find a place to "run" (i.e., call CQ and let them come to me) and occasionally go hunting for multipliers.

The latest skill seemingly disappearing - zero-beating! Some newbies make it out to be real technical challenge, with talk about pushing this button and that button, etc. It shouldn't be that tough.

Maybe it's the disappearance of the slide rule. With the slide rule you had to be cognizant of what was going on. With the calculator, you can divide eight by four and get 2.000000000000!! Good Grief!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...> wrote:
>
> But- you see, Im there for new ones - not the contest itself. The spot help me locate and work what I need (skipping those I dont). A contester needs them all, so either he sits in one place and they come to him, or he starts at one end of the band and works his way up to the other. Since I got onto the world wide spot nets, Ive done more "contesting" than ever before - even though that consists of 20-150 contacts per contest, only.
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> Danny Douglas
> N7DC
> ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
> SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
> All 2 years or more (except Novice)
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> those who do.
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Alan Leith
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 11:22 AM
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] E44M
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> Mornin' Paul,
>
> I listened for a bit last night in NAQP and watched the spots
fly by,
> including yours. I heard lots of friends in there and perhaps I
should
> have given a few points out. I didn't, partially because I still
have not
> completely recovered from the flu bug I picked up the day after
Christmas
> and just didn't (don't) have the interest.
>
> Actually, I think spotting during something like NAQP is a
travesty and
> should be completely outlawed by the organizers. The point of a
contest,
> any contest, for me, is to find, work and move on. I have
absolutely no
> interest, or intention, of telling anyone who or where I worked
anyone.
> That goes completely against my competitive spirit (which is
fading as I
> get older). As for day to day spots, I would never, ever, spot a
European
> or Caribbean station, or many South Americans for that matter,
unless there
> was little activity from the country or unless the operator
asked me to
> spot him/her.
>
> Even if the bands (all of them) have been dead for days, I would
not spot a
> European. Perhaps, if I lived west of the Mississippi I might.
Seeing a
> KJ4xxx spot a DL on 20M makes me crazy.
>
> I see the TS7 has disappeared from 20M CW. Woulda been nice but
guess it
> ain't gonna happen for me.
>
> Spotting too much!!! What a man with chutzpah. Would love to
know his

> call so I could harass him :-).
>
> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of
> Paul M Dunphy
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:04 PM
> To: DX IS!
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M
>
> At 11:31 AM 1/11/2009, you wrote:
> >You are right, Al, The conduct on this one was about as bad as
I have
> seen.
> >And, yes, amateur radio is no longer the hobby we once new.
Makes me
> >wonder, sometimes, if I should seek a more wholesome hobby. But
I have
> >too damn many years and too damn much time invested.
> >
> >Bitter? Also!
> >
> >Win, W0LZ
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> Win, Al, etc,
>
> Yes, it was I who opined that Ham radio was a hobby of the 20th
> century. I beat the dead horse all the time, and I'll just give
it another
> kick this time. It's not the fault of the clusters and
electronic keyers.
> It's not the elimination of CW. It's the lack of enforcement of
the Ham
> radio laws world wide. The USA and Canada were leaders in that
area, and
> they shifted their resources to other things. That's the end of
it. Other
> countries followed suit. You take away the enforcement and make
it a
> self-policing "honour system"
> and anything will degrade into chaos. It can't be fixed, so we
have to use
> it as it is or take up something else.
>
> I too found the jamming and mis-behaviour of the E44M operation
to be

> one of the worst in recent memory. The current TS7C crew are not
getting
> jammed nearly as bad. E44M was an embarrassment to the hobby. I
wish I
> could explain why they were different. They weren't particularly
bad
> operators, and their signals were pretty good. I guess a half
dozen nuts
> decided they were going to disrupt the operation every chance
the could,
> and they did a pretty good job of it.
>
> As Al said, for the most part only those with beams and linears
got
> through. I was lucky enough to be one of them, but what should
have been
> 2-3 calls *always* turned into a slugfest that lasted an hour or
more. It
> wasn't fun. Working DX and breaking pileups used to be fun. It's
not when
> you have to spend and hour working what would have been a simple
QSO 20
> years ago. The art of pileup breaking is gone. He who gets
through is the
> one with the loudest signal, who calls all the time blindly, and
can get
> enough filters (rig filters and psychological filters) in place
to
> recognize their call when the DX comes back to them. That's not
how it
> used to be, not how it should be, but it is the way it is. I do
not see it
> changing in the future. What will happen is our numbers will
dwindle as we
> die off, and the new kids won't bother. In 20 years there will
be no Ham
> radio.
>
> Am I bitter? No. Bitter won't fix it. I'm sad. Sort of like I
> would feel if a close friend became a SK.
>
> Speaking of strange stuff, I got an email last night from a W1
> telling me I was spotting too much stuff during the NAQP. Maybe
he was
> right. I don't know what prompted it.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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8787. Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:22:53 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8757 Message: 8787

(1) Hans suggests the "Triple Play."
(2) ARRL sees it as a money-maker.
(3) ARRL institutes it and the number of LotW users skyrockets.
(4) Danny benefits because now there are more users than ever and his "chase" to ferret out the LotW users is enhanced.

They win - you win - where's the beef?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...> wrote:
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> Sounds much like an excuse to me. It rally is all about money. The more people involved in LOTW, and the more applications, the more money flows in to the kitty. Far as I am concerned its nonsense. We have had WAS awards for some decades or so now. There is a 5 band WAS. Many of us have already worked that, even if we havent applied for it. Its just another set of rules to do what we are already, or have already done. Im not about to go buy verifications for 150 more statiions, when I aleady have worked and received cofirmations for all those. They didnt have the chintzpaw to go ahead and accept the cards already in everyones queues, but supposedly are letting everyone stqrt from the beginning. This one might take the leaders a month or so, to be in there trying for certificate number 1 - and Im sure some have already got the majority needed.
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> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:12 PM
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8788. Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:24:04 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8757 Message: 8788

Appears to be symptomatic of the "I never read what I wrote"
syndrome!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> "Chintzpaw"???????
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> Al, VE1AL
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
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8789. Re: calling CQ on CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:26:59 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8768 Message: 8789

For his next act - the waterproof towel!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
>
>
> > CW Spots (in particular) should be limited to those who pass a
20
> > wpm CW test, send and receive.
>
> Bounce that one off your ARRL director, and see how far it
goes! :-)
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

8790. Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:29:32 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8757 Message: 8790

Bravo Hans! To hell with the detractors!
Some people would bitch if you hung them with a gold rope!

Did you move or are you "portable" in W7 land?

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thought it was sort of catchy. I did suggest a "fresh" starting
date so that activity would be stimulated across all three modes. I
didn't suggest it be LoTW-centric.
>
> Beyond that, the idea was developed by "who-ever" in Newington.
>
> The snide suggestion that somehow I profit from the idea is the
basest sort of mean-spirited insult I've received in some time.
>
> If not you're attracted to the idea of the award then don't commit
a colossal waste of time chasing it, but have the common decency not
to demean my character in the process.
>
> de Hans, K0HB/W7
>

8791. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:39:48 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8454 Message: 8791

I already have 40 confirmed, but called night after night on the band, cause still need ssb somewhere.- and its spretty much all I could hear from them. Never heard, and didnt see any rtty spots. Never made it. Didnt even get a maybe. They would call for 6s and 7s for long stretches, and I was calling each time, along with 2 or three others I could hear. Nada- they responded to no one, over and over again. Maybe there is a lesson here: Investigate your operating area, before setting up. One quick trip,prior to the operation, by anyone with a receiver, to the hotel would show them all the qrm from lifts, motors, etc. that they were going to have, and they could have gone elsewhere to a different location, when they all arrived. Of course the biggest bug-a-boo - Propagation. I wish all these groups would go during a high sunspot period , not at the bottom of the cycle. Supprising how many Ive looked back at, who have gone out this last couple of years, and the last operation before that was about 10 years ago (at the bottom of another cycle). That doesnt make much sense to me.

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8792. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:50:06 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8792

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 8:22 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

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They win - you win - where's the beef?

Art - N4PJ

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8793. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 13:50:36 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8793

Nope, spelled it exactly as I wanted (in this case).

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Appears to be symptomatic of the "I never read what I wrote"
syndrome!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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8794. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 15:31:26 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 8740 Message: 8794
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8795. Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 16:54:56 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8757 Message: 8795

The bottom line seems to be like I tell my wife when the official calls a penalty against "her" team:

"Honey, it's the rule."

She: "Well, it's a stupid rule!"

He: "Well, are you upset because of the rule or because the call was against your team?"

So why should the ARRL create an "ex post facto" award for all the stuff you already have?

It sounds too much like:

"Don't convince me with facts as my mind is already made up!"

Art - N4PJ

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8796. Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 17:01:28 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8454 Message: 8796

Did you seriously think for one minute that when they called for W6/W7 that they were actually calling for people who had a 6 or a 7 in their call? Good grief!

Since they were on CW (I listened to them for quite a while a couple of different times when they did that), it was a devil of a lot easier to ask for W6/W7 than to ask for "stations west of the Mississippi because propagation is so difficult now we don't want to waste what little time we have working only the east coast."

It probably doesn't matter. I've heard SSB pileups before where the station asked for calls west of the Mississippi and there was a ton of guys who kept calling from the east coast anyway.

As bad as the propagation has been, the "window" for the west coast guys on 20 meters was about 20 minutes!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...> wrote:
>
> I already have 40 confirmed, but called night after night on the band, cause still need ssb somewhere.- and its spretty much all I could hear from them. Never heard, and didnt see any rtty spots. Never made it. Didnt even get a maybe. They would call for 6s and 7s for long stretches, and I was calling each time, along with 2 or three others I could hear. Nada- they responded to no one, over and over again. Maybe there is a lesson here: Investigate your operating area, before setting up. One quick trip,prior to the operation, by anyone with a receiver, to the hotel would show them all the qrm from lifts, motors, etc. that they were going to have, and they could have gone elsewhere to a different location, when they all arrived. Of course the biggest bug-a-boo - Propagation. I wish all these groups would go during a high sunspot period , not at the bottom of the cycle. Supprising how many Ive looked back at, who have gone out this last couple of years, and the last operation before that was about 10 years ago (at the bottom of another cycle). That doesnt make much sense to me.
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Date: 2009-01-12 16:56:50 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8740 Message: 8797

Wow! There's a novel approach. The "lottery" QSO! Send that 175 times and then send a QSL for each time you called. Maybe one of them will be the jackpot!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> I only listened on 40 CW but I never heard them at all. Heard the pileup OK.
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> If you can't hear them you can't work them. I can't blame the DXpedition for
> that - only the propagation gods.
>
> Actually, I have to wonder about not being able to work them if you can't
> hear them. I repeatedly heard one station send his call, then "599 TU", then
> he was back at sending his call, and then "599 TU", then back at sending his
> call. Dunno what his logic was. Maybe he couldn't hear them either but hoped
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8798. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 17:18:39 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8757 Message: 8798

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>encourage new LOTW membership, and indeed might even get more
>members, knowing it was a free award, and they would still have LOTW
>there to use for DXCC (thus paying for those verifications).
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>Danny Douglas
>N7DC

I just checked and I have 72 of the 150 LoTW confirmed, and it's
only 12 January. You are unlikely to ever get a Triple Play award
with that attitude. It is, you realise, the pinnacle of achievement
in Ham radio! Triple Play IS!

73, Paul VE1DX

8799. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 18:20:02 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8454 Message: 8799

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From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
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> waste what little time we have working only the east coast."
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> It probably doesn't matter. I've heard SSB pileups before where the
> station asked for calls west of the Mississippi and there was a ton
> of guys who kept calling from the east coast anyway.
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Lemmie elaborate on that. The mindset of those calling 'east' of the
Mississippi is that if one goes far enuf west of the river, eventually one
would get the the east coast thus one is 'far' west of the Mississippi!
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8800. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 18:30:26 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8800

At 02:20 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:

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Even with the "I can and do take my call with me when I move"
rule, isn't it a safe bet that most 1s and 2s are on the east coast
and mostly 6s and 7s (except N7DC) are on the west coast? Seems to
me if you decide to take your call with you when you move, you get to
enjoy the benefits and downfalls of doing so. I think a lot change
their call to reflect their new call area, but some do not. I see
nothing wrong with going by numbers instead of trying to use places
like the Mississippi river as a dividing line. Who knows if the guys
calling are really east or west of it?

On the other hand, if the DX asks for 6/7 calls, a W3 or a VE3
is not supposed to call and shouldn't be worked, no matter where he
lives. And while I may not know if VE1DX is east or west of the
Mississippi river, I know he doesn't have a 6 or a 7 in his
call. Just my 2 cents worth.

73, Paul VE1DX

8801. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 20:31:46 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8454 Message: 8801

The failure to hear a DX station can lie on both parties, as well as propagation. But just maybe the propagation prome is because the DX isnt working the band/mode supported by propagation at the time. Over and over, we heard DX calling and not working areas that are hearing them. Who is at fault there? The DX needs to pay attention to prop charts, and experienced operators who know the band well. They simply cant say, "we are going to call Europe for 1 hour (or 10) and then call Asia for 2 hours and then America for 8 hours, and expect that any of those areas are going to be "in" at the time they have chosen. It has to be intelligently studied and planned, and then the plans carried out. If something like odd prop rears its ugly head, they have to make intelligent decisions as to changes, and not just be bull headed enough to continue with an unworkable plan, nor jump into another plan without knowing if there is a chance it will work.

None of this is particularly easy, but can be done, as many operations have shown us. Certainly, no one is going to be 100 percent satisified with whatever does happen. We will always have one area hearing the DX when they are working another, but hopefully that wont be the case in most instances. What we dont need is the incessant "why no EU" "why dont they work NA" "stupid expedition" etc etc just because things arent going the way the spotter thinks it should. We dont need those self-same "operators" calling when they know they shouldnt- and every one of them knows who they are. If the DX is working EU, there should be NO on-air comments from any other part of the world. Stateside operators should NOT be going on the DXs freq, making any sort of comment, tuning up, sending dits or any of the many stupid things we are hearing today. First of all, they interfere with the ongoing ability to hear the DX, secondly, do they really think the DX is listening to their own frequency, when working split?

Yeah- I know, preaching to the choir, but someone has to say it , hoping even one person reasons it out, and becomes part of the solution and not the problem.

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----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 10:31 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

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Behalf Of
> CSM(r) Gary Huber
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 10:42 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M
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> Gary - AB9M
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> From: Win <mailto:w0lz@...>
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 7:37 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] E44M
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Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.6/1888 - Release Date: 1/12/2009 7:04 AM

8802. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 20:34:45 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8802

My mind IS made up. We didnt need another WAS award. If you want WAS , earn it per band, per mode, etc. Those awards are available, and for those who have it, is it any kind of a big deal to do it all over again? Hey, I can spell "antenna today, could spell it yesterday, and will be able to spell it tomorrow - and dont need to prove it over and over. Those are the facts!
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----- Original Message -----
From: Art Burke
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 11:54 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

The bottom line seems to be like I tell my wife when the official calls a penalty against "her" team:

"Honey, it's the rule."

She: "Well, it's a stupid rule!"

He: "Well, are you upset because of the rule or because the call was against your team?"

So why should the ARRL create an "ex post facto" award for all the stuff you already have?

It sounds too much like:

"Don't convince me with facts as my mind is already made up!"

Art - N4PJ

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> From: Art Burke
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 8:22 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it
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> (1) Hans suggests the "Triple Play."
> (2) ARRL sees it as a money-maker.
> (3) ARRL institutes it and the number of LotW users skyrockets.
> (4) Danny benefits because now there are more users than ever and
> his "chase" to ferret out the LotW users is enhanced.
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> They win - you win - where's the beef?
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@> wrote:
> >
> > Sounds much like an excuse to me. It rally is all about money.
> The more people involved in LOTW, and the more applications, the
> more money flows in to the kitty. Far as I am concerned its
> nonsense. We have had WAS awards for some decades or so now.
There
> is a 5 band WAS. Many of us have already worked that, even if we
> havent applied for it. Its just another set of rules to do what
we
> are already, or have already done. Im not about to go buy
> verifications for 150 more statiions, when I aleady have worked
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> received cofirmations for all those. They didnt have the
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> to go ahead and accept the cards already in everyones queues,

but
> supposedly are letting everyone stqrt from the beginning. This
one
> might take the leaders a month or so, to be in there trying for
> certificate number 1 - and Im sure some have already got the
> majority needed.
> > Thank God its not going to be an annual event.
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> > From: Paul M Dunphy
> > To: DX IS!
> > Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:12 PM
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Hans did it
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> > Al,
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> > One thing that increased the spots for Ws is
> > the introduction of the "Triple Play" award by
> > the ARRL on 1 January 2009. Read all about it here:
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> > http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2009/01/01/10470/
> >
> > Basically you have to work all states on
> > SSB/CW/RTTY and have them all confirmed by LoTW,
> > and they all have to occur on 1 Jan 2009 or
> > later. Hans invented it. Blame him!
> >
> > "As adopted by the Board after study by the
> > Programs and Services Committee, the ARRL Triple
> > Play Worked All States (WAS) Award was developed
> > from a suggestion offered by past Vice Director
> > Hans Brakob, KØHB of the Dakota Division."
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8803. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 20:37:35 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8454 Message: 8803

Zack;
I think I heard the "creature". Funny though, he kept sending his report on the lsn freq.
Dale K8TS

---------- Original message ----------
From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
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Date: 2009-01-12 20:38:34 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8454 Message: 8804

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> Behalf Of

> > CSM(r) Gary Huber
> > Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 10:42 AM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M
> >
> >
> > The E44M operation was one that I did not need for an all time
new
> one, but
> > I was interested in making a 100 W low band contact IF they
seemed
> loud
> > enough. I called a few times (including during the NAQP) but
never
> thought
> > the propagation was good when they were working NA.
> >
> > 73 & DX,
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> > Gary - AB9M
> >
> > From: Win <mailto:w0lz@>
> > Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 7:37 AM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: [DX-IS] E44M
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> > The E44M guys are QRT. This is the first DXpedition of any
size
> that I have
> >
> > not worked in a long time. Had prop for about 8 hours while
they
> were
> > working NA on 20 CW. I wouldn't have even known I was getting
out
> except
> > for the one call I made on his transmitte frequency. At that
time
> I got
> > good signal reports from about 20,000 UPPERS.
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> > Win, W0LZ
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8805. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 20:58:30 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8454 Message: 8805

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Dale K8TS

-------------- Original message --------------
From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
At 02:20 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:

>----- Original Message -----
>From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
> > Did you seriously think for one minute that when they called for
> > W6/W7 that they were actually calling for people who had a 6 or a 7
> > in their call? Good grief!
> >
> > Since they were on CW (I listened to them for quite a while a couple
> > of different times when they did that), it was a devil of a lot
> > easier to ask for W6/W7 than to ask for "stations west of the
> > Mississippi because propagation is so difficult now we don't want to
> > waste what little time we have working only the east coast."
> >
> > It probably doesn't matter. I've heard SSB pileups before where the
> > station asked for calls west of the Mississippi and there was a ton
> > of guys who kept calling from the east coast anyway.
> >
>Lemmie elaborate on that. The mindset of those calling 'east' of the
>Mississippi is that if one goes far enuf west of the river, eventually one
>would get the the east coast thus one is 'far' west of the Mississippi!
>rene
>

Even with the "I can and do take my call with me when I move"
rule, isn't it a safe bet that most 1s and 2s are on the east coast
and mostly 6s and 7s (except N7DC) are on the west coast? Seems to
me if you decide to take your call with you when you move, you get to
enjoy the benefits and downfalls of doing so. I think a lot change
their call to reflect their new call area, but some do not. I see
nothing wrong with going by numbers instead of trying to use places
like the Mississippi river as a dividing line. Who knows if the guys
calling are really east or west of it?

On the other hand, if the DX asks for 6/7 calls, a W3 or a VE3
is not supposed to call and shouldn't be worked, no matter where he
lives. And while I may not know if VE1DX is east or west of the
Mississippi river, I know he doesn't have a 6 or a 7 in his

call. Just my 2 cents worth.

73, Paul VE1DX

8806. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 21:14:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8806

At 04:58 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
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73, Paul VE1DX

8807. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 21:46:47 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8757 Message: 8807

I'm just portable for a few months in the Superstition mountains, hiding from my snowblower.

73, de Hans, K0HB

From: Art Burke
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 7:29 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Bravo Hans! To hell with the detractors!
Some people would bitch if you hung them with a gold rope!

Did you move or are you "portable" in W7 land?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "K0HB" <kzerohb@...> wrote:
>
> VE1AL wrote:
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> > I wonder if Hans gets a small percentage of the gate for suggesting
> > this colossal waste of time.
>
> Al,
>
> About 3-4 years ago I suggested a WAS award for working WAS in three modes..... I suggested the name "Triple Play" because I thought it was sort of catchy. I did suggest a "fresh" starting date so that activity would be stimulated across all three modes. I didn't suggest it be LoTW-centric.
>
> Beyond that, the idea was developed by "who-ever" in Newington.
>
> The snide suggestion that somehow I profit from the idea is the basest sort of mean-spirited insult I've received in some time.
>
> If not you're attracted to the idea of the award then don't commit a colossal waste of time chasing it, but have the common decency not to demean my character in the process.
>
> de Hans, K0HB/W7
>

8808. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 22:28:48 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 8757 Message: 8808
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8809. Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 22:39:54 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 8757 Message: 8809

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Art Burke
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 8:22 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it
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> > To: DX IS!
> > Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:12 PM
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8810. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 22:46:42 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8810

Going by numbers doesn't mean much anymore. A large number of the W6/W7s
that E44M was working were east of the Mississippi.

Win

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 3:14 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

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8811. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 22:53:42 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8757 Message: 8811

Alright, enough is enough ...

Who is this Hans character ???

What did he do ???

Is it that bad that I am getting CTS from hitting the delete key ???

I hope those spots return soon, folks are getting a tad squirrely (sp??) here ...

73, Dick, W1KSZ> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> From: aa0mz@yahoo.com> Date: Mon, 12 Jan 2009 22:39:54 +0000> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it> > So Danny, why do you chase this Marathon award year after year > working the same DX over and over?> Another 400 lines of drivel deleted ...

8812. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 22:54:17 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8454 Message: 8812

At 06:46 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
>Going by numbers doesn't mean much anymore. A large number of the W6/W7s
>that E44M was working were east of the Mississippi.
>
>Win

Doesn't matter where they are . . . there are two reasons for
going by the numbers (1) propagation -- although some are not in
their "home" call area, most are and (2) it theoretically* cuts the
pileup by 1/10th.

* This assumes the calls are evenly distributed, and they ate not. I
bet 6's outnumber 7s 10 to 1.

73, Paul VE1DX

8813. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 23:13:43 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8813

Marathon doesnt require us to pay for QSL checking, etc. every year. I only do it as I go along, and have yet to apply for the past two years, and probably wont. Also, I would rather get each of those QSOs from a different station, and on a new band or mode - all leading toward additional QSOs for the Challenge award. For the majority (at least those who have been operating in the past, I believe they have already been working all three modes.

Triple Play indeed may increase the numbers working RTTY, and that is to be determined. It may also draw in some who have, in the past, avoided contesting, because even tho it is a contest (to be won by one person, only one time) it reallyl doesnt require the cut-throat activity that other, normal contests do. I can see the next step - someone will push for it to be an annual activity, and the ARRL will agree - after all its the money with them.

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8814. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 23:27:38 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8454 Message: 8814

I suspect many of them were. But, I also suspect they didnt really work many. Every time I heard them going by the numbers like that, they were not working many stations, but rapidly running thru 6 thru 1, until they got back to 2 thru 5 where they worked many stations, then back to 6 thru 1 again, and again with few contacts. They often only called those 6-1` for trwo or three times, and ran right on to the 2 thru 5s, where they were hearing many more stations. There were stations there, calling with the correct numbers each time, but they didnt appear to really take the effort or time to try to dig out at least a couple of them. I sat one time, for 3 complete circuits, and they didnt copy even 1 of the 6s or 7s, giving each number less than one or two minutes before they abandoned it and went on to the next. Part of the reason for working by the numbers, is to attempt to get the other numbers (apparently stronger signals) to shut up so they can hear the weaker, less propagation capable signals from the other areas. If that is the case, then they need to listen a little longer, and harder to see if they can pick any out. This definitely did not appear to be the case.
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8815. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-12 23:55:20 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8815

Danny,

We must have been listening to different ops. The 8 hours I sat on 20 cw they only asked for NAs and then W6/W7. I never heard him ask for 1s thru 5s or 8s thru 0s. Did I miss something?

Win

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Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 5:27 PM
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8816. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 00:16:28 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8454 Message: 8816

I guess so Win. I was listening to 40 meters SSB. Never heard a peep on 20 here, most days. I listened almost all night the next to last night they were there. (till 3 in the morning). During that period , early on, they did just as you mentioned. Working everyone, then asking for 6s and 7s., working few of either. Then back to everyone. The problem with that was, of course, they were apparently not hearing any 6s or 7s most of that time (and I could hear several calling). They kept slipping back and forth from Eu split to US splits, which is fine, giving both side of the ocean a chance. The final evening, they went as I stated before, and that was kept up for several hours. About 3 hours before they were due to pack up (or at least the published date for fold up, they just disappeared. I saw no spots other than one or two saying something about "RTTY TOO" Whatever that meant. I was NOT listening to European spots, since get tired of the BINGO statements, but apparently they had just shut down, at that time.
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Danny,

We must have been listening to different ops. The 8 hours I sat on 20 cw they only asked for NAs and then W6/W7. I never heard him ask for 1s thru 5s or 8s thru 0s. Did I miss something?

Win

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8817. A new place to work Triple Play

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 00:21:11 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8817 Message: 8817

This speaks for itself!

DX de K3SEW: 3618.0 W7JW TRIPLE PLAY WAS NET 0016Z

73, Paul VE1DX

8818. Re: [DX-IS] A new place to work Triple Play

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 00:34:31 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8817 Message: 8818

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8819. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 00:37:12 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 8454 Message: 8819

> Doesn't matter where they are . . . there are two reasons for
> going by the numbers (1) propagation -- although some are not in
> their "home" call area, most are and (2) it theoretically* cuts the
> pileup by 1/10th.

Paul,

My problem with going by the numbers is that I can't stand sitting around picking my nose for 90% of the time. That is no fun. If I try to take a break from the radio, inevitably I return to find them back on 1s. I am sure it is easier for the DX ops though, and it is not my job to critique their operation.

Danny,

You are probably correct too. I never heard them on 40.

Win

8820. Re: [DX-IS] A new place to work Triple Play

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 00:49:25 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8817 Message: 8820

At 08:34 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
>It was bound to happen
>
>Danny Douglas
>N7DC

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when that is the thrill of the day. I didn't know there was even any
RTTY on 160, let alone DX. He's on 1.848 listening up about 1.2 and
quite loud. These guys sure like their RTTY.

However it doesn't count for WAS Triple Play. Darn!

73, Paul VE1DX

8821. Re: [DX-IS] A new place to work Triple Play

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 00:57:49 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8817 Message: 8821

See your spot. There is not so much as a blip on the freq here tho. Ive been watching it for 15 or 20 minutes, seeing all the people calling him up the band, but nothing but some SSB QRM anywhere near his freq.

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8822. Re: [DX-IS] A new place to work Triple Play

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 01:28:09 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8817 Message: 8822

At 08:57 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
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>tho. Ive been watching it for 15 or 20 minutes, seeing all the
>people calling him up the band, but nothing but some SSB QRM
>anywhere near his freq.
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Conditions were up and down. The "QRM" was OX3KQ and he was 44
but gave me a 55. Then he stopped the pileup and asked me to listen
for a friend of his. That turned out to be LA2FKA and he was 55 (and
gave me a 55.) I don't care for SSB on 160M . . . tough sledding, for sure.

Lots of activity on 160 tonight, but I can't get over the 3V on
RTTY. I guess they are going to work RTTY on all bands, Have them
160-17M RTTY except 80M. Could hear them earlier, but no luck on
that band. Oh well, you can't get everything everywhere.

73, Paul VE1DX

8823. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 01:33:29 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8757 Message: 8823

No but I'm still looking.

I do a lot of back-country hiking, and it's a fascinating area.

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7

From: Zack Widup
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 4:28 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Did you find the Lost Dutchman's Mine?

:-)

On Mon, Jan 12, 2009 at 3:46 PM, K0HB <kzerohb@...> wrote:

I'm just portable for a few months in the Superstition mountains, hiding from my snowblower.

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From: Art Burke
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 7:29 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Bravo Hans! To hell with the detractors!
Some people would bitch if you hung them with a gold rope!

Did you move or are you "portable" in W7 land?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "K0HB" <kzerohb@...> wrote:
>
> VE1AL wrote:
>
> > I wonder if Hans gets a small percentage of the gate for suggesting
> > this colossal waste of time.
>
> Al,
>
> About 3-4 years ago I suggested a WAS award for working WAS in three modes..... I suggested the name "Triple Play" because I thought it was sort of catchy. I did suggest a "fresh" starting date so that activity would be stimulated across all three modes. I

didn't suggest it be LoTW-centric.
>
> Beyond that, the idea was developed by "who-ever" in Newington.
>
> The snide suggestion that somehow I profit from the idea is the basest sort of mean-spirited insult I've received in some time.
>
> If not you're attracted to the idea of the award then don't commit a colossal waste of time chasing it, but have the common decency not to demean my character in the process.
>
> de Hans, K0HB/W7
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8824. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it Superstition mountains

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 01:51:08 UTC
From: kq6i
Topic: 8757 Message: 8824

I was about 10** when my grandparents to me to the Superstition mountains. My grandmother was a bottle
hunter, my grandfather had gold fever. We were well out in the desert in the middle of nowhere. Way off
in the distance we could hear someone playing bag pipes. That's my memory of Superstition Mountains.

Craig

kq6i

Peace, long-life, and gud DX!

**see QRZ for my age

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From: Art <mailto:aburkefl@...> Burke

Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 7:29 AM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

8825. Am I missing sump'in?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 03:52:08 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8825 Message: 8825

About every 2-3 spots on DX Summit for TS7C read something like this:
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.........rtty second call
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Dale K8TS
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8826. Re: [DX-IS] Am I missing sump'in?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 04:13:59 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8825 Message: 8826

At 11:52 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
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Everyone that works them has to tell the world (I'm guilty of spotting them when I did it on 160M, but I was on cloud 9 after doing it on 1.8 MHz RTTY -- my first QSO on that band on teletype.) However, on other 3V bands it isn't very rare, and everyone needs to tell everyone connected to a cluster they worked them.

Some software used to not allow spots that were within 15 minutes and 2-3 KHz, but that seems to have disappeared. Go figure. It has its plusses and minuses. I'd really jump on it if I hadn't done it myself tonight! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

8827. RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 05:17:40 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 8757 Message: 8827

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8828. Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 06:16:19 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 8757 Message: 8828

Since WAS has little or nothing to do with DX. If you want something to do while waiting for the Sun to wake up, try to work ALL 3077 USA Counties. It took me just under a year to do it. After a year there may be DX again.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
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8829. Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 09:51:09 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 8829 Message: 8829

This will get interesting!

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: Dave Morris N5UP
To: OnLineQSL@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 12:54 AM
Subject: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 13, 2009
CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

(Hicksville, NY and Bedford, TX, January 13, 2009) - CQ magazine will accept contact confirmations made on the eQSL.cc electronic confirmation system for its operating awards effective immediately, CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, and eQSL Founder and Webmaster Dave Morris, N5UP, announced today.

There will be certain limitations and procedural differences for different awards, at least to start. Only confirmations from "Authenticity Guaranteed" members of eQSL will be accepted, and in accordance with existing eQSL policy, a membership level of bronze or higher is required in order to participate in award programs via eQSL.

"This is the first time that CQ has formally accepted anything other than traditional paper QSL cards for its awards," said Moseson. "We have been working with Dave Morris and his team for several months to assure that the integrity of our awards programs will be protected and to create mechanisms to make it easy for both award applicants and award managers to use eQSL credits toward our awards. All of our award

managers have been involved in this process and support this action."

"We want to express our great appreciation to Dave and his team for their willingness to do whatever was necessary to make this agreement possible," Moseson added. "It has been a pleasure working with them and we look forward to a long-lasting relationship."

"We are pleased to be adding CQ to the top of our list of amateur organizations that accept electronic QSLs," said Morris. "CQ has some of the most highly sought-after awards, and we have been working behind the scenes for years to create credit submission mechanisms that would ensure the integrity of their programs without introducing any additional labor for the award managers. We believe the electronic QSL can drastically reduce costs, and the award application mechanisms we have developed will provide for more efficient processing at reduced cost for both the applicant and the award manager."

Applicants for the CQ DX and CQ DX Field Awards must print out their eQSLs and submit them along with their traditional QSLs to a CQ checkpoint or to CQ DX Awards Manager Billy Williams, N4UF. eQSL has an automated process in place for applicants for CQ's Worked All Zones, WPX and USA-Counties awards. N5UP explains how that will work for the applicant:

"The applicant goes to the My Awards screen. He clicks on the particular award he wants to apply for. This brings up a list of the credits our system 'thinks' he is entitled to. There are checkboxes that allow him to check which ones he wants to use, and we automatically pre-fill one credit per category so he doesn't have to do anything if he wants to take the defaults. At the bottom of the screen are two buttons: 'Submit to CQ' and 'Print Paper Application'."

The "submit" button will place all the selected QSOs into a file for the award manager to access, while the "print" button will generate a printed list to be submitted along with the traditional application. PLEASE NOTE that ALL applicants must send the award fee payment to the CQ Award Manager, regardless of how the application is submitted. Some CQ award managers are now accepting PayPal; see individual award web pages for details. All awards will continue to accept traditional QSLs as well as eQSLs. For the USA-Counties Award (USA-CA), applicants must note on their record books (or printouts) whether each county has been confirmed traditionally (with an "X" to the right of the entry) or electronically (with an "E" next to the entry).

For more information on eQSL, visit http://www.eQSL.cc

For more information on CQ awards, visit the awards page on the CQ website at http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com. Please note that the award rules posted on the website have not yet been updated to reflect the acceptance of eQSLs. This will be done as soon as possible, but the policy takes effect immediately.

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8830. Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 11:48:37 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8757 Message: 8830

Okay - so from here on out, you are not allowed to use those "new guys" on LoTW! They are there for a totally different purpose than helping you out! They're off limits to you!

How's that? Obey the rules you like - ignore the ones you think are stupid.

I'd continue the debate and match wits some more but I thought it was polite not to fight with an unarmed man.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@...> wrote:
>
> My mind IS made up. We didnt need another WAS award. If you want WAS , earn it per band, per mode, etc. Those awards are available, and for those who have it, is it any kind of a big deal to do it all over again? Hey, I can spell "antenna today, could spell it yesterday, and will be able to spell it tomorrow - and dont need to prove it over and over. Those are the facts!
> Danny Douglas
> N7DC
> ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
> SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
> All 2 years or more (except Novice)
> Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
> I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
> those who do.
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Art Burke
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 11:54 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it
>
>
> The bottom line seems to be like I tell my wife when the
official
> calls a penalty against "her" team:
>
> "Honey, it's the rule."
>
> She: "Well, it's a stupid rule!"
>
> He: "Well, are you upset because of the rule or because the call
> was against your team?"
>

> So why should the ARRL create an "ex post facto" award for all
the
> stuff you already have?
>
> It sounds too much like:
>
> "Don't convince me with facts as my mind is already made up!"
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@> wrote:
> >
> > Im, first and formost, against them charging for verifications
of
> a state that probably is already worked, bought and paid for.
> Prior to now, you might turn in a state/country/mode/band you
> already had confirmed, and they would report ack to you it was a
> dupe, and they wouldnt sell you the verification - as you didnt
need
> it. Yeah, 150 times 15 or 20 cents is not going to break anyone
> (if it does they shouldnt be playing this game), but its the
> principle of the thing. It all rolls back to the money thing.
Few
> people who have been into hamming for more than a couple or
three
> years need any more states. Now - if they keep track on their
end,
> and see when you have achieved the deed, and just automatically
send
> you a certificate, that would be a different thing. It would
still
> encourage new LOTW membership, and indeed might even get more
> members, knowing it was a free award, and they would still have
LOTW
> there to use for DXCC (thus paying for those verifications).
> >
> > Danny Douglas
> > N7DC
> > ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
> > SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
> > All 2 years or more (except Novice)
> > Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
> > I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
> > those who do.
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Art Burke
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 8:22 AM
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it
> >

> >
> > (1) Hans suggests the "Triple Play."
> > (2) ARRL sees it as a money-maker.
> > (3) ARRL institutes it and the number of LotW users skyrockets.
> > (4) Danny benefits because now there are more users than ever
and
> > his "chase" to ferret out the LotW users is enhanced.
> >
> > They win - you win - where's the beef?
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
> >
> > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Danny Douglas" <n7dc@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Sounds much like an excuse to me. It rally is all about
money.
> > The more people involved in LOTW, and the more applications,
the
> > more money flows in to the kitty. Far as I am concerned its
> > nonsense. We have had WAS awards for some decades or so now.
> There
> > is a 5 band WAS. Many of us have already worked that, even if
we
> > havent applied for it. Its just another set of rules to do
what
> we
> > are already, or have already done. Im not about to go buy
> > verifications for 150 more statiions, when I aleady have
worked
> and
> > received cofirmations for all those. They didnt have the
> chintzpaw
> > to go ahead and accept the cards already in everyones queues,
> but
> > supposedly are letting everyone stqrt from the beginning. This
> one
> > might take the leaders a month or so, to be in there trying
for
> > certificate number 1 - and Im sure some have already got the
> > majority needed.
> > > Thank God its not going to be an annual event.
> > >
> > > Danny Douglas
> > > N7DC
> > > ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
> > > SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
> > > All 2 years or more (except Novice)
> > > Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
> > > I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
> > > those who do.

> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > From: Paul M Dunphy
> > > To: DX IS!
> > > Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:12 PM
> > > Subject: [DX-IS] Hans did it
> > >
> > >
> > > Al,
> > >
> > > One thing that increased the spots for Ws is
> > > the introduction of the "Triple Play" award by
> > > the ARRL on 1 January 2009. Read all about it here:
> > >
> > > http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2009/01/01/10470/
> > >
> > > Basically you have to work all states on
> > > SSB/CW/RTTY and have them all confirmed by LoTW,
> > > and they all have to occur on 1 Jan 2009 or
> > > later. Hans invented it. Blame him!
> > >
> > > "As adopted by the Board after study by the
> > > Programs and Services Committee, the ARRL Triple
> > > Play Worked All States (WAS) Award was developed
> > > from a suggestion offered by past Vice Director
> > > Hans Brakob, KØHB of the Dakota Division."
> > >
> > > 73, Paul VE1DX
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8831. Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 12:07:23 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8454 Message: 8831

Have you ever been in a DX location where you suddenly discover you're on the "wrong end" of the pileup?

If you don't have it already, download Morse Runner. It's free at dxatlas.com - if you can work any CW at all, you'll love it.

Run either the pileup mode or the HSC mode and let six to ten guys call you at one time. Then think what the DX station hears when there are 50 (or more) calling at the same time.

I heard a pileup one day on SSB. The poor guy was trying to work the pileup on simplex. He was very patient, but generally unsuccessful. He apologized profusely. He commented that when he was finally able to pick out a call, regardless of who he picked out, they were 59+ in the clear. But, in the pileup, it was an almost indistinguishable mass of sound. Even from my side, where I could hear a huge number of those who were calling, it was difficult to pull out calls.

ZL1AMO, OH2BH, G3TXF, DJ6SI, etc., learned how to do it because they've done it over and over and over. They and their ilk are the best - the cream of the crop, etc. My apologies to the many I've omitted. How many of those guys on the E44M dxpedition were experienced dxpeditioners? Everyone has to start somewhere.

My first dxpedition (very organized, a lot of fun and surprisingly comfortable) to Mozambique was a valuable lesson in what it's like to be on the other side. I practiced and practiced and practiced before I went because I didn't want to come home and see on the cluster that there were numerous posts about what a lid I was, a poor excuse for an operator, couldn't handle a pileup, didn't know jack squat about propagation, etc. The immediate goal was to make sure I didn't embarass myself.

When I got on the rig the first time and called CQ I was shaking like a leaf. About four QSOs into the shift and all hell broke loose. It suddenly sounded like every CW op in the world was calling C91JR. It was sheer bedlam. For a brief moment, I felt if I sneaked away, they might never really know I was there. It was like nothing I had ever heard. Of course, those poor dummies had no idea I was a rank beginner! I guess one assumes if I came on the radio I must know what I was doing!

Over the course of two weeks, I learned a lot about handling the pileup. One of the things I learned was that an enormous amount of the guys were pretty slick at discerning my operating habits. After a half dozen shifts, I was beginning to think I was hot stuff. Visions of "..great op, great ears..." posted on the cluster went

through my head. But then....

One day I got on for my next turn at one of the rigs, called CQ and a double-hell opened up. Europe *and* Asia were both 599+! It was damned near like starting over with the learning experience.

Throughout my trip, I intentionally avoided numbers. God forbid using a list! I personally abhor lists. After all was said and done and I would sometimes slowly settle into a pattern that would let me work reasonable quantities in a few hours, I promised myself I would never be critical of the guy trying to handle the hordes.

I truly belive that for every guy out there who's dynamite behind the mic or at the key, there are 75 others who are either learning, struggling to learn, wanting to learn and maybe still lacking. But their desire (and expense) to be there was paramount and it's our responsibility to help them make the best of it.

When was the last time any of us took a radio into some place where you could die so you could put one on the air for "the deserving?"

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, k9ttt@... wrote:
>
> Here's my two cents:
> Any station (especially DX) who goes by the numbers, MUST do so in a pattern that follows the prop. So that to me does not mean 1-2-3-4....etc. Lists and numbers annoy me. Two cents given.
> Dale K8TS
>
> -------------- Original message --------------
> From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
> At 02:20 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
>
> >----- Original Message -----
> >From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
> > > Did you seriously think for one minute that when they called for
> > > W6/W7 that they were actually calling for people who had a 6 or a 7
> > > in their call? Good grief!
> > >
> > > Since they were on CW (I listened to them for quite a while a couple
> > > of different times when they did that), it was a devil of a lot
> > > easier to ask for W6/W7 than to ask for "stations west of the
> > > Mississippi because propagation is so difficult now we don't want to
> > > waste what little time we have working only the east coast."
> > >
> > > It probably doesn't matter. I've heard SSB pileups before

where the
> > > station asked for calls west of the Mississippi and there was
a ton
> > > of guys who kept calling from the east coast anyway.
> > >
> >Lemmie elaborate on that. The mindset of those calling 'east' of
the
> >Mississippi is that if one goes far enuf west of the river,
eventually one
> >would get the the east coast thus one is 'far' west of the
Mississippi!
> >rene
> >
>
> Even with the "I can and do take my call with me when I move"
> rule, isn't it a safe bet that most 1s and 2s are on the east
coast
> and mostly 6s and 7s (except N7DC) are on the west coast? Seems to
> me if you decide to take your call with you when you move, you get
to
> enjoy the benefits and downfalls of doing so. I think a lot change
> their call to reflect their new call area, but some do not. I see
> nothing wrong with going by numbers instead of trying to use
places
> like the Mississippi river as a dividing line. Who knows if the
guys
> calling are really east or west of it?
>
> On the other hand, if the DX asks for 6/7 calls, a W3 or a VE3
> is not supposed to call and shouldn't be worked, no matter where
he
> lives. And while I may not know if VE1DX is east or west of the
> Mississippi river, I know he doesn't have a 6 or a 7 in his
> call. Just my 2 cents worth.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

8832. Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 12:09:10 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8454 Message: 8832

I've even hear Martti "do numbers." He generally doesn't, but the first few days of a brand new one (the most recent I remember is St. Barts) are, as you say, sometimes memorable.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
>
> At 04:58 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
> >Here's my two cents:
> >Any station (especially DX) who goes by the numbers, MUST do so in a
> >pattern that follows the prop. So that to me does not mean
> >1-2-3-4....etc. Lists and numbers annoy me. Two cents given.
> >Dale K8TS
>
> Agreed Dale, the chronological order of the numbers do not
> follow propagation, and the more savvy DXpeditioners know
> this. Lists annoy a lot of people, and some people like them.
>
> I think going by call areas is necessary in many cases. If you
> just say QRZ UP, you just hear a massive roar, and the QSO rate will
> be low. Going by call areas (a/k/a numbers) can be frustrating, but
> if they cycle through them fairly fast (10 per area), a guy doesn't
> have to wait too long to get another shot at them. I've heard some
> of the most famous and best DXers in the game resort to call areas,
> at least in the initial few days. The really frustrating thing is
> when they stick on a certain number for an hour. If you are going to
> do it, whip through them fast so no one gets shut out listening to
> propagation fade away.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

8833. Re: [DX-IS] Am I missing sump'in?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 13:13:58 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8825 Message: 8833

When a spotted frequency is one that might be one or several modes, why not? If you spot something, for instance, such as the frequency 7.123, what is the mode there? I dont know for sure, and my software doesnt know for sure, since it is a "digital" assignment here in the states. Is it CW? RTTY? PSK? whatever? It could be any of the above. If you spot it with the indicator RTTY, then when I click on it, my software knows to put my rig in SSB, and software in RTTY. Otherwise, it can only go by an arbitrary configuration which has been preset - and quite often its wrong. Quite often, a spot is a new spot from someone who has just turned on his computer/radio, so he doesnt know about all those which have already been sent - thus there is certainly no harm in doing so, and a great help to be on the right mode when one clicks and gets there.
\
Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
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those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@...
To: DX-IS
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 10:52 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Am I missing sump'in?

About every 2-3 spots on DX Summit for TS7C read something like this:
.......rtty
.......rtty on freq
.......rtty
.........rtty second call
.......rtty good op

.........am I missing something.........like they are on rtty? the freq has not changed? and the point is?

maybe they are operating rtty....

Dale K8TS
(heading up to 14.195 to lsn to stactic)

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8834. Worked all counties

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 13:21:37 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8834 Message: 8834

Holy smoke. Congrats. I woud not have thought that would be possible in that short a time. Im sure I have never done that, in all my years of hamming; even putting all my callsigns/locations together and touting them up. Not something I am interested in, but I know there are may that are. Im the only active hf op in Madison County Va, and ocassionally get an email requesting a QSO for that award, and happy to give them out. There are, of course, ocassinal mobile operators travelling thru, especially form a much larger ham population starting just the next county east and north of me (Culpeper), so during Virginia activity days I get a bit of competition.
Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
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those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: John Peters
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 1:16 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Since WAS has little or nothing to do with DX. If you want something to do while waiting for the Sun to wake up, try to work ALL 3077 USA Counties. It took me just under a year to do it. After a year there may be DX again.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 7:17 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

Fine Danny. Your objection is duly noted.

So let those who are interested in a 3-mode WAS particpate in it, and
otherwise ignore it.

Since your mind is made up, I won't bother to try and discuss it with you.
For everyone else on the list, though:

Personally, though, while I have no interest in the award at this time, I
don't see a problem with it. It's certainly not going to be a "money
maker," at best I think the League will break even on it (do the math).
But, if it increases activity on the air and interest in operating... what's
the harm?

Oh, and while I'm thinking of it... fair is fair. While Hans and I quite often don't see eye-to-eye on many subjects that pop up on this reflector, he did make the original suggestion, and deserves all the atta-boys and pats on the back that come with it. At least he did get credited... how often in life does the guy with the bright idea end up shoved aside in favor of those who insist on shining in the spotlight on someone else's inspiration and perspiration (which is another subject for another reflector for another day)

73

-----Original Message-----
From: "Danny Douglas" n7dc@... n7dc
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 12:34 pm ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Hans did it

My mind IS made up. We didnt need another WAS award. If you want WAS , earn it per band, per mode, etc. Those awards are available, and for those who have it, is it any kind of a big deal to do it all over again? Hey, I can spell "antenna today, could spell it yesterday, and will be able to spell it tomorrow - and dont need to prove it over and over. Those are the facts!
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8835. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it Superstition mountains

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 14:23:29 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 8757 Message: 8835

When living in AZ I often visited the Superstition mountains. LeBarge Canyon, First Water and at the foot of Weaver's Needle. I met some men who actually lived out there at the base of the Needle. One was a fellow named Ed Pipher. He always toted a 6 gun as did the others. Check out the Arizona Republic in the early 60s for stories about the Sups, skulls found and the like. Its probably tame now and the legends are fading of the Lost Dutchman.

Al
W4ABW
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8836. Re: [DX-IS] A new place to work Triple Play

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 14:45:13 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 8817 Message: 8836

The last two weekends were good opportunities to amass lots of triple play points. In the rtty roundup I worked 48 states and have 45 confirmed on lotw so far. In the NAQP CW last weekend I worked 45 states and in just 2 days 36 of them are confirmed. This weekend is the ssb portion of the naqp and of course there is the 160 test at the end of the month.

Why waste time on a net when you can work them more quickly in contests?

The NAQP tests are 100 watts and no packet, which makes it all the more rewarding.

Don

At 08:28 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:

>At 08:57 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:
>>See your spot. There is not so much as a blip on the freq here tho. Ive been watching it for 15 or 20 minutes, seeing all the people calling him up the band, but nothing but some SSB QRM anywhere near his freq.
>>
>>Danny Douglas
>>N7DC

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8837. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 17:02:05 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8454 Message: 8837

Well said. Another observation; grey line propagation works 20M on down with decreasing smaller "openings". If the "method" is understood by the operators on both ends, there seems to be some increased measure of success. If not, frustration and fewer contacts into various areas.

Those with several call signs may have noticed this phenomena. As trustee for N1SF, I dropped the call into the P5/4L4FN 15M SSB pile-up when he was "only working ones, twos, and threes" with little success because propagation was favoring 8s, 9s, and 0s (sunset greyline was occurring) and worked him on the second or third call. Later when he decided to work "nines" after going through the numbers, I made a contact with my call, but it was difficult; the Titan 425 was running the legal limit, Heil HC-5, some processing and lots of calls.... and I was either the last nine worked that day or next to it. I seen this scenario played out by several DX-peditions. On the other end of the spectrum, those who plan to maximize their "Q rate" into various areas seem to be easy to work.

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Danny Douglas
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 2:31 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

The failure to hear a DX station can lie on both parties, as well as propagation. But just maybe the propagation prome is because the DX isnt working the band/mode supported by propagation at the time. Over and over, we heard DX calling and not working areas that are hearing them. Who is at fault there? The DX needs to pay attention to prop charts, and experienced operators who know the band well. They simply cant say, "we are going to call Europe for 1 hour (or 10) and then call Asia for 2 hours and then America for 8 hours, and expect that any of those areas are going to be "in" at the time they have chosen. It has to be intelligently studied and planned, and then the plans carried out. If something like odd prop rears its ugly head, they have to make intelligent decisions as to changes, and not just be bull headed enough to continue with an unworkable plan, nor jump into another plan without knowing if there is a chance it will work.

None of this is particularly easy, but can be done, as many operations have shown us. Certainly, no one is going to be 100 percent satisified with whatever does happen. We will always have one area hearing the DX when they are working another, but hopefully that wont be the case in most instances. What we dont need is the incessant "why no EU" "why dont they work NA" "stupid expedition" etc etc just because things arent going the way the spotter thinks it should. We dont need those self-same "operators" calling when they know they shouldnt- and every one of them knows who they are. If the DX is working EU, there should be NO on-air comments from any other part of the world. Stateside operators should NOT be going on the DXs freq, making any sort of comment, tuning up, sending dits or any of the many stupid things we are hearing today. First of all, they interfere with the ongoing

ability to hear the DX, secondly, do they really think the DX is listening to their own frequency, when working split?

Yeah- I know, preaching to the choir, but someone has to say it , hoping even one person reasons it out, and becomes part of the solution and not the problem.

Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 10:31 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44M

I only listened on 40 CW but I never heard them at all. Heard the pileup OK.

If you can't hear them you can't work them. I can't blame the DXpedition for that - only the propagation gods.

Actually, I have to wonder about not being able to work them if you can't hear them. I repeatedly heard one station send his call, then "599 TU", then he was back at sending his call, and then "599 TU", then back at sending his call. Dunno what his logic was. Maybe he couldn't hear them either but hoped he would get into their log that way?
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On 1/12/09, Art Burke <aburkefl@comcast.net> wrote:
It's difficult (and generally unfair) to criticize an operation.
But, day after day, my wife would listen and call and call on 20 SSB
relatively early in the morning. With no success, even when E44M was
calling specifically for NA.

I showed her the graph from a popular propagation program.
Statistically, later in the morning should be better for 20M to NA
from the Middle East.

Finally, two or three days before they QRTed, she worked them on 20,
around 10 AM local time.

I managed to get 'em on 30 early one evening for a band fill and a
new prefix. Never could get through on SSB.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>
> The only night I could hear the E44 on 40M CW that they were

strong enough
> to call, I wasted more than 40 minutes calling in an unruly,
undisciplined,
> rude and stupid pile-up wherein Europeans who had been asked to
stand by
> for NA, continued to call and call and call and call and call.
The guys
> with the kilowatts and beams got through from North America but
because I'm
> not one of them, I didn't.
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> Thankfully, I didn't need it either for a new country.
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> I believe it was VE1DX who expressed the sentiment that ham radio,
as we
> knew it, is over. And I think two of the developments that have
hastened
> the end of the hobby are clusters and electronic keyers.
The "hams" who
> were too stupid to listen still wouldn't, if there were no
clusters. And
> the idiots who program their keyers at 2 wpm and then turn them up
to 40
> wpm and push buttons all day without understanding anything going
on
> wouldn't otherwise be in the pile-ups.
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> Bitter? You betcha.
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> Al, VE1AL
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of
> CSM(r) Gary Huber
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 10:42 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44M
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> The E44M operation was one that I did not need for an all time new
one, but
> I was interested in making a 100 W low band contact IF they seemed

loud
> enough. I called a few times (including during the NAQP) but never
thought
> the propagation was good when they were working NA.
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> 73 & DX,
>
> Gary - AB9M
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> From: Win <mailto:w0lz@...>
> Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 7:37 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] E44M
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> The E44M guys are QRT. This is the first DXpedition of any size
that I have
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> not worked in a long time. Had prop for about 8 hours while they
were
> working NA on 20 CW. I wouldn't have even known I was getting out
except
> for the one call I made on his transmitte frequency. At that time
I got
> good signal reports from about 20,000 UPPERS.
>
> Win, W0LZ
>

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Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.6/1888 - Release Date: 1/12/2009 7:04 AM

8838. Vk0/M article

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 17:46:12 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 8838 Message: 8838

http://abcnews.go.com/International/wireStory?id=6635855

Rabbits win, ecologists loose.
Perhaps if there had been some people (preferrably hams) on the island,
the problem could have been nipped at the bud.

Article also mentions ZL9

73 de Brian/K3KO

8839. RE: [DX-IS] Vk0/M article

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 18:33:57 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8838 Message: 8839

Now if they let the French on the Island for an Expedition ... !!

8840. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it---renamed..can we cut the posts that don't refer to DX?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 21:45:49 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 8757 Message: 8840

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Thanks
73
Don N1DG
List moderator

At 05:53 PM 1/12/2009, you wrote:

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>Is it that bad that I am getting CTS from hitting the delete key ???
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>here ...
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>73, Dick, W1KSZ
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> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > From: aa0mz@...
> > Date: Mon, 12 Jan 2009 22:39:54 +0000
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it
> >
> > So Danny, why do you chase this Marathon award year after year
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8841. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it---renamed..can we cut the posts that don't refer to DX?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 22:04:17 UTC
From: NA5U
Topic: 8757 Message: 8841

Don,

Kudos!

73 es Gud DX

Mike, NA5U

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Don Greenbaum
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 3:46 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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8842. TS7C logs online

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 22:59:34 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8842 Message: 8842

The on-line logs for TS7C are available at:

http://www.ts7c.net/searchlog_adif.php

73, Paul VE1DX

8843. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #892.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 23:13:07 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 8843 Message: 8843

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8844. VX1RNS/p NA-081

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-13 23:53:01 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8844 Message: 8844

Just got word from VE1AI that the cards for last year's IOTA operation from NA-081 have been printed and direct cards will be sent next month for VX1RNS/p. Bureau cards will follow.

TS7C has a very respectable signal on 40 CW tonight and I managed to bag the prefix and IOTA. I'm now a happy camper. I never did get a QSO with E44M.

73

Al, VE1AL

8845. RE: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 00:27:30 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 8829 Message: 8845

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73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Sent: Tuesday, 13 January 2009 6:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

This will get interesting!

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----

From: Dave Morris N5UP <mailto:n5up@...>

To: OnLineQSL@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 12:54 AM

Subject: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

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8846. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 00:40:42 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8829 Message: 8846

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Now, there's a great big "who cares" for you.

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8847. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 00:52:12 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8829 Message: 8847

In a way it makes sense. I was hoping that LOTW would have the capability of us printing out their card, as does eQSL. It would still be in their data base as a good contact, but something for those who want a "real" card to who off with too. With LOTW we have the capability of using both the electronic QSL data base, or we can turn in a real card, received via the mail or buro. We have a two-way capability of turning them in for credit, so looks like CQ wants just the one way, and since its not their database, doing it by paper is their choice.

Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
those who do.
----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 7:40 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

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Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.6/1891 - Release Date: 1/13/2009
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8848. RE: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 01:01:58 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 8829 Message: 8848

Hi Mike,

I am an avid fan of QSLing, online, paper, bureau, direct. I have been on eQSL and LOTW since 2006. I support and just love the service they provide.

I also like the DXCC awards programs available. I have had a WIA DXCC award for years and have recently received an ARRL DXCC awards via LOTW.

What is amazing is that I didn't (till a few minutes ago) realise that the CQ magazine had a DX Awards program! Every time I saw the list in a CQ magazine (that I get a copy second hand occasionally) I just thought they were displaying ARRL DXCC Awards data.

Anyway, if the CQ magazine are going to have an award that accepts eQSLs, why would one need to send in their traditional QSLs? I can't see the reasoning in this. If I have the tradition QSL cards, I don't need to be a member of eQSL.

So in essence I am saying that if this is true "CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit'
Then they need to trust the eQSL system. If they need Traditional Paper QSLs as well then it seems farcicle..

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-----Original Message-----
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Sent: Wednesday, 14 January 2009 9:41 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Now, there's a great big "who cares" for you.

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Yahoo! Groups Links

8849. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 01:41:25 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8829 Message: 8849

Lance Martin wrote:
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8850. RE: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 01:56:22 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8829 Message: 8850

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End of rant ---

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comFrom: lance.martin@...: Wed, 14 Jan 2009 09:27:30 +0900Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard F DiDonna NN3WSent: Tuesday, 13 January 2009 6:51 PMTo: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comSubject: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

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73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----

From: Dave Morris N5UP

To: OnLineQSL@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 12:54 AM

Subject: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

CQ Communications, Inc. / 25 Newbridge Rd. / Hicksville, NY 11801 /Phone: (516) 681-2922 / Fax: (516-681-2926) /e-mail:w2vu@... RELEASEFor more information, contact:Richard Moseson,W2VU Editor,CQ Amateur Radio(516) 681-2922 / w2vu@cq-amateur-radio.comDave Morris, N5UPFounder and Webmaster, eQSL.ccN5UP@... IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 13, 2009CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit(Hicksville, NY and Bedford, TX, January 13, 2009) - CQ magazinewill accept contact confirmations made on the eQSL.cc electronicconfirmation system for its operating awards effective immediately, CQEditor Rich Moseson, W2VU, and eQSL Founder and Webmaster Dave Morris,N5UP, announced today.There will be certain limitations and procedural differences fordifferent awards, at least to start. Only confirmations from"Authenticity Guaranteed" members of eQSL will be accepted, and inaccordance with existing eQSL policy, a membership level of bronze orhigher is required in order to participate in award programs via eQSL."This is the first time that CQ has formally accepted anythingother than traditional paper QSL cards for its awards," said Moseson."We have been working with Dave Morris and his team for several monthsto assure that the integrity of our awards programs will be protectedand to create mechanisms to make it easy for both award applicants andaward managers to use eQSL credits toward our awards. All of our awardmanagers have been involved in this process and support this action.""We want to express our great appreciation to Dave and his teamfor their willingness to do whatever was necessary to make thisagreement possible," Moseson added. "It has been a pleasure workingwith them and we look forward to a long-lasting relationship.""We are pleased to be adding CQ to the top of our list ofamateur organizations that accept electronic QSLs," said Morris. "CQhas some of the most highly sought-after awards, and we have beenworking behind the scenes for years to create credit submissionmechanisms that would ensure the integrity of their programs withoutintroducing any additional labor for the award managers. We believethe electronic QSL can drastically reduce costs, and the awardapplication mechanisms we have developed will provide for moreefficient processing at reduced cost for both the applicant and theaward manager."Applicants for the CQ DX and CQ DX Field Awards must print outtheir eQSLs and submit them along with their traditional QSLs to a CQcheckpoint or to CQ DX Awards Manager Billy Williams, N4UF. eQSL hasan automated process in place for applicants for CQ's Worked AllZones, WPX and USA-Counties awards. N5UP explains how that will workfor the applicant:"The applicant goes to the My Awards screen. He clicks on theparticular award he wants to apply for. This brings up a list of thecredits our system 'thinks' he is entitled to. There are checkboxesthat allow him to check which ones he wants to use, and weautomatically pre-fill one credit per category so he doesn't have todo anything if he wants to take the defaults. At the bottom of thescreen are two buttons: 'Submit to CQ' and 'Print Paper Application'."The "submit" button will place all the selected QSOs into a filefor the award manager to access, while the "print" button willgenerate a printed list to be submitted along with the traditionalapplication. PLEASE NOTE that ALL applicants must send the award feepayment to the CQ Award Manager, regardless of how the application issubmitted. Some CQ award managers are now accepting PayPal; seeindividual award web pages for details. All awards will continue toaccept traditional QSLs as well as eQSLs. For the USA-Counties Award(USA-CA), applicants must note on their record books (or printouts)whether each county has been confirmed traditionally (with an "X" tothe right of the entry) or electronically (with an "E" next to the entry).For more information on eQSL, visit http://www.eQSL.ccFor more information on CQ awards, visit the awards page on the CQwebsite at http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com. Please note that the awardrules posted on the website have not yet been updated to reflect theacceptance of eQSLs. This will be done as soon as possible, but thepolicy takes effect immediately.-30-

8851. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 02:05:03 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8829 Message: 8851

One thing that I am not real sure about, within eQSL is getting emails from the persons who DONT match something I have logged, and they havent. That means that they find out that I have tried to get a match on something not in their log. If they decided they needed or wanted mine, they could just log the QSO, and my next upload would find it as a match. Or at least it appears that way to me.

Danny Douglas
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8852. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 02:07:10 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8829 Message: 8852

Neither does it say "list" I interpet it to say "cards" meaning each and every one. Guess someone is gonna have to ask. I dont really care, at this point, since Im not intending to apply for anything thru them, even though I have the cards in hand to do so for WAZ etc.

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To: DX List - New
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8853. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 02:08:55 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8829 Message: 8853

Just a short note, eqsl is not always as good as one would like. I speak from experiance having a confirm in eqsl and a NIL from the op, who sent me a copy of his log....nothing in it even close. You may reply to my email if you so desire.. N1DG has some valid points.
Dale K8TS

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8854. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 03:25:22 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8757 Message: 8854

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To: DX List - New
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> Date: Mon, 12 Jan 2009 22:39:54 +0000
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it
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8855. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 03:37:27 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8855

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8856. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 03:46:06 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8757 Message: 8856

K0HB wrote:
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> Dick,
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8857. I second Don's motion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 03:50:59 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8857 Message: 8857

Can we get back on track and stop the personal attacks and the discussions about travel, etc.? I started the thread about the Triple Play as a complement to K0HB for suggesting it to the ARRL. It has drifted way off that. Let's not pursue it any further, nor anyone's vacation travels, etc.

Please re-read Don's message. How about we talk about DX? The LoTW/eQSL thread seems DX related to me. It's hot news, no matter which side of the fence you are on. Given where we are in the cycle, even WAS is becoming a DX topic! So was the discussions on E44M, and TS7C, etc. Don't forget that KP5 is coming up in a few weeks. There's lots to chat about.

This has never been a censored list, and it isn't going to be now. However, Don's 100% right. We've lost sight of the purpose of the list.

73, Paul VE1DX (co-owner of DX IS!)

8858. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 03:57:04 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8757 Message: 8858

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8859. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 04:00:10 UTC
From: Danny Douglas
Topic: 8757 Message: 8859

OK this is my last on it. Yes, its been done. There are separate awards for WAS on each band. There are separate voice, digital awards. Never mind any further comments, I wont read nor respond.

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8860. TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 04:45:23 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 8860 Message: 8860

40 CW, 7020 QSX +5, calling for USA only, 0430 UTC Wednesday (EU asleep, good plan!). Strong signal into East Coast. He worked into Central US as well.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@...
http://wd4elg.net

8861. RE: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 05:37:59 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 8860 Message: 8861

TS7C has been very weak so far in VK. We are hoping they will turn their beams this way towards the end of the trip.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Wednesday, 14 January 2009 1:45 PM
To: DX-IS@...m
Subject: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

40 CW, 7020 QSX +5, calling for USA only, 0430 UTC Wednesday (EU asleep, good plan!). Strong signal into East Coast. He worked into Central US as well.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@... <mailto:wd4elg%40arrl.net>
http://wd4elg.net

8862. RE: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 06:15:37 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 8829 Message: 8862

It appears that way to me too Danny,

In my humble opinion, eQSL probably needs to address this issue. QSOs that don't match your log shouldn't show up. It makes it too easy to make up a QSO that didn't happen. Not that any of us would do this, but for the unscrupulous...

In LOTW, the call, time, date, band, mode must match for a confirmation to occur, the system deals with it (each users log). Which logistically is more secure.

On the other hand if IK1XYZ works me and I log him as IK1XYG (busted call) we will never get a confirmation in LOTW. In eQSL, my inbox would include a QSO from IK1XYZ (with request). I would then look through my log and see that it was in fact a busted call (missed off the last 'dit') as the time, date, mode and band would confirm to me thus.

I am guessing that the makers of eQSL have mulled over this and decided to stay with what they have.

In the end, users will vote with their feet...or in this case perhaps their mouse buttons...

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Danny Douglas
Sent: Wednesday, 14 January 2009 11:05 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

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Danny Douglas
N7DC
ex WN5QMX ET2US WA5UKR ET3USA
SV0WPP VS6DD N7DC/YV5 G5CTB
All 2 years or more (except Novice)
Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for

those who do.

----- Original Message -----

From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH) <mailto:w5uc@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 8:41 PM

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL
Confirmations for Award Credit

Lance Martin wrote:

Hi Mike,

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direct. I have been
on eQSL and LOTW since 2006. I support and just love the
service they
provide.

Is that making sense? Or am I missing something here?

73, Lance - VK6DU

No, you aren't missing anything. I'm not a CQ subscriber, so I'm
only aware of the WAZ award. Any other CQ awards are a mystery. I am
also not a fan of e-qsl, and am hard core LOTW. I guess my thought
process says that if LOTW has concerns about the security aspects of
e-qsl, I can't generate any interest. If you enjoy it, go for it. I'm
sure that most e-qsl confirmations are valid. I also really don't know
if there have been any that are invalid. Enjoy!!!

73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

No virus found in this incoming message.
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Version: 8.0.176 / Virus Database: 270.10.6/1891 - Release Date:
1/13/2009 8:17 AM

8863. Re: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 15:12:30 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 8860 Message: 8863
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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8864. RE: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 16:36:54 UTC
From: R Johnson
Topic: 8829 Message: 8864

Yes, the point you are missing is that if you only have eQSL's for 50 countries
you will have to come up with the other 50 somehow.

These can be "Hard Cards" or LoTW "Screen Shots" for the other 50 countries.

Anything other 100 eQSL's is a "Hybrid submission" and must be checked an
approved CQ Awards checker. The same thing goes using LoTW for ARRL awards.

CQ has already accepted LoTW "Screen Shots" for WAZ for a couple of years now.

73
Bob, K1VU

At 20:01 1/13/2009, you wrote:
>Hi Mike,
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>I am an avid fan of QSLing, online, paper, bureau, direct. I have been
>on eQSL and LOTW since 2006. I support and just love the service they
>provide.
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>I also like the DXCC awards programs available. I have had a WIA DXCC
>award for years and have recently received an ARRL DXCC awards via LOTW.
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>What is amazing is that I didn't (till a few minutes ago) realise that
>the CQ magazine had a DX Awards program! Every time I saw the list in a
>CQ magazine (that I get a copy second hand occasionally) I just thought
>they were displaying ARRL DXCC Awards data.
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>Anyway, if the CQ magazine are going to have an award that accepts
>eQSLs, why would one need to send in their traditional QSLs? I can't see
>the reasoning in this. If I have the tradition QSL cards, I don't need
>to be a member of eQSL.
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>So in essence I am saying that if this is true "CQ to Accept eQSL
>Confirmations for Award Credit'
>Then they need to trust the eQSL system. If they need Traditional Paper
>QSLs as well then it seems farcicle..
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>Is that making sense? Or am I missing something here?
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>73, Lance - VK6DU
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>> And the CQ DX awards says:
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>> *eQSLs NOW ACCEPTABLE FOR CQ DX AWARDS***
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>> *Effective immediately, electronic confirmations verified through the
>> eQSL.cc system are acceptable for CQ DX Country and Field Awards. ***
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>> *When submitting eQSL.cc confirmations, applicants must print out each
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>> confirmation and include the hard copy with their traditional QSLs
>> when applying for CQ DX Awards.***
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>> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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>Now, there's a great big "who cares" for you.
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>73,
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8865. Re: TS7C - why?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 16:50:26 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 8860 Message: 8865

Hi, Zack, maybe because of the prefix? I did get them on 160 CW plus a couple other bands. Part of it is the lack of really are DX.

I also just stumbled across FR1AN on 18.120 and worked him right away. He has a US manager, which I appreciate. I have worked that one numerous times but never confirmed it.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in frigid far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE in July from beautiful Miquelon for the IARU contest

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73, Zack W9SZ

8866. RE: [DX-IS] Re: TS7C - why?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 16:51:39 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8860 Message: 8866

It is also a rather rare IOTA.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comFrom: kb9lie@...: Wed, 14 Jan 2009 08:50:26 -0800Subject: [DX-IS] Re: TS7C - why?

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8867. Re: TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 17:20:56 UTC
From: Tom Martin
Topic: 8860 Message: 8867

I've worked several 3Vs but none on 30 meters and on RTTY. Glad to see a lot of RTTY action, although many complain about it.

73,

Tom W8JWN

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I am using the free version of SPAMfighter.
We are a community of 5.8 million users fighting spam.
SPAMfighter has removed 3302 of my spam emails to date.
Get the free SPAMfighter here: http://www.spamfighter.com/len

The Professional version does not have this message

8868. RE: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 17:24:38 UTC
From: Donald L. De Feyter
Topic: 8860 Message: 8868

Lance,

TS7C is IOTA AS-073.

73

Don/KC8CY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2009 10:13 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

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8869. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [OnLineQSL] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 17:28:13 UTC
From: R Johnson
Topic: 8829 Message: 8869

Danny:
I get eQSL's all the time from stations I never worked. I even got some dated before I got my K1VU callsign, which had never been previously issued.

I finally decided NOT to "Reject" or email the other station on the basis that:
1- they didn't copy the call correctly and the QSO never took place. NIL !!!
2- they may be "Phishing" for a confirmed QSO. I suppose the could eQSL all the other calls starting with "K1V" and hope for a match.

I figure by totally ignoring the bad Eqsl this will be the closest thing I can do to make the QSO a "ZOMBIE" like in Lotw.

This morning I got an eQSL for a CW contact in last weekends NAQP which I didn't participate in. By not making any acknowledgment of the QSO he will get "Dinged" a few points. If I told him it was a bad QSO, he could try to correct his log after the contest ended. Bad, Bad, Bad !!!

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Bob, K1VU

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>All 2 years or more (except Novice)
>Pls QSL direct, buro, or LOTW preferred,
>I Do not use, but as a courtesy do upload to eQSL for
>those who do.
>----- Original Message -----
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>To: <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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8870. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TS7C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 18:37:20 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8860 Message: 8870

Did I see a report here that TS7C logs are being updated periodically?

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
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where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8871. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TS7C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 20:30:40 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8860 Message: 8871

At 02:37 PM 1/14/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH) wrote:
>Did I see a report here that TS7C logs are being updated periodically?
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>73,
>Mike, W5UC

Mike,

Here is their main web site:

http://www.ts7c.net/

The link to the logs is along the top, but I can't tell when
they were updated (I didn't read the entire web page so they might
say.) Judging by my QSOs, I'd say the logs were updated around 12 January.

Oh, I just clicked on the LOGS link and it says 13 January.

73, Paul VE1DX

8872. Re: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 20:43:10 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 8860 Message: 8872

Mark Lunday, WD4ELG wrote:
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> 40 CW, 7020 QSX +5, calling for USA only, 0430 UTC Wednesday (EU asleep,
> good plan!). Strong signal into East Coast. He worked into Central US as
> well.
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What is it with these DXpeditions calling for COUNTRIES only? Some call
for JA [or no JA as the case may be]; now this guy is calling for USA only.

Why don't we hear calls like Uruguay only, or Luxembourg only? More to
the point, what about Canada only?

The real point that I'm trying to make here is that calling REGIONALLY
is one thing, but let's make sure that ALL the countries in the REGION
are included. Both Canada and Mexico are part of North America, so why
call USA ONLY? Sure, there are probably as many, if not more hams in
the US than in the rest of the World put together, and more than likely
if a CQ were to be called for North America, 90% plus of the responses
would be from the US; but there are XE1's and VE1's as well as
A/K/N/W1's, so let's give everyone a chance!

</rant>

Thanks for the opportunity to get that rant off my chest--if only I
could get rid of the cold in the same place as easily!!!

73,

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

8873. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 21:15:42 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8757 Message: 8873

I'm trailing you by about 18 months (I just didn't want to tell folks I was approaching "69"!)

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7

From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 9:46 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it

K0HB wrote:

Dick,

Hans (that would be me) is an old timer, approaching 70 years old,

Ok Hans, let's race. I'll hit the big Seven-Oh on the 20th. Are you ahead of me or behind me?

73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8874. Fw: [GDXF] OH8X NEW DIMENSIONS ! 5 EL YAGI 80 M & 3 EL YAGI 160 METER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 22:03:32 UTC
From: OE8SOQ Helmut
Topic: 8874 Message: 8874

Hello fellow DXers......

dunno if you got this through other chanels......

just AMAZING.....

vy 73 and greeetz from Bavaria

Helmut
OE8SOQ + DG7DXX

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8875. Re: [DX-IS]OH8X NEW DIMENSIONS ! 5 EL YAGI 80 M & 3 EL YAGI 160 METER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 22:23:52 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8874 Message: 8875

At 06:03 PM 1/14/2009, you wrote:
>Hello fellow DXers......
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>dunno if you got this through other chanels......
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>just AMAZING.....
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That is an amazing setup, Helmut! Thanks for passing the URL
along to the group. Imagine how much DX could be worked on 160 and
80 if we all that sort of antenna set-up.

73, Paul VE1DX

8876. Re: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-14 23:38:35 UTC
From: Luciano
Topic: 8860 Message: 8876

Hi DON: Just a little correction TS7C is operating from AF-073.

73 de Luciano PT7WA

Donald L. De Feyter escreveu:

Lance,

TS7C is IOTA AS-073.

73

Don/KC8CY

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8877. Re: [DX-IS] Am I missing sump'in?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 00:11:10 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 8825 Message: 8877

Danny Douglas wrote:
> When a spotted frequency is one that might be one or several modes, why not?
That's going to apply to every frequency out there pretty soon --
during contests, I've heard RTTY as low as 14.003 and nobody wants to
know about it or fix it.

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Earl

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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

8878. RE: [DX-IS] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 02:27:30 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 8878 Message: 8878

From a database standpoint, there's really no practical reason why Logbook of the World couldn't be set up to generate a "QSL card" based on the information stored in each matching LotW entry.

Were the ARRL to change their stance and do this, you could legitimately expect a lot of loud expressions of unhappiness from the eQSL camp, on the lines of the ARRL poaching on their turf. And they'd be right, since the League said from the get-go with LotW (even before, let alone during, the beta test) that they weren't going to do this.

However, remember that the primary purpose of LotW is to provide an electronic logs depository for the purposes of ARRL (and eventually other) awards, and a secondary purpose of providing a long-long-term (is anything permanent?) repository for amateur radio logs in general. Too many paper logs suffer the fate of Gus Browning's storied records; as I recall, after he became a SK, the logs sat in a box or two unwanted (probably the family had little to no idea what they were or how valuable they might be considered by some) and eventually sent to the landfill. LotW provides an alternative.

The announcement (which I clipped out, I think we've all seen it repeated enough times!) seems to indicate that CQ isn't really that concerned about QSL "cards" for awards purposes. Further, it indicates that they may not have the capability of comparing a submitted awards submission against the eQSL database(s), which would explain why they want you to print out and include your "eCards."

Hmmm. Wonder if CQ will accept my P5SLIM e-card, that's STILL in the eQSL system after all these years...

Anyway... I thought I recalled reading at one time that both CQ and RSGB were talking to the ARRL about integrating their awards programs to some degree with LotW. Don't recall hearing much of anything about it since Wayne departed Newington for points West. (Coincidence?)

And without trying to stray too much away from the primary subject, I do wish N5UP could reign in some of his supporters. I've had a few nastygrams from eQSL supporters who demanded that I "AG" to make my eQSL log "valid."

And even so, that got topped a couple of days ago... which may tell you something about the validity of some of their logs. Noticed a new entry for 20 meter phone for me from last Field Day. Rejected it immediately -- this year, I only operated FD from my club's station, so even if I did make the contact (and I don't have access to the N3SH log to be sure), it wasn't under my call. Got a nastygram telling me off from the person who posted the log. Turned out he did this as a favor on behalf of HIS club, didn't really give a hoot about the validity of the logs, was tired of being told

about all the invalid entries, and just wanted us all to shut up, accept the QSO's, and quit bothering him with reject notices. After all, "real" eQSL users accepted them!

Some things make you feel like the AFLAC duck after hearing Yogi Berra say "and they give you cash, which is just as good as money!"

73, ron w3wn

-----Original Message-----
From: "Danny Douglas" n7dc@... n7dc
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 4:52 pm ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

In a way it makes sense. I was hoping that LOTW would have the capability of us printing out their card, as does eQSL. It would still be in their data base as a good contact, but something for those who want a "real" card to who off with too. With LOTW we have the capability of using both the electronic QSL data base, or we can turn in a real card, received via the mail or buro. We have a two-way capability of turning them in for credit, so looks like CQ wants just the one way, and since its not their database, doing it by paper is their choice.

Danny Douglas
N7DC

8879. RE: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 02:33:07 UTC
From: Donald L. De Feyter
Topic: 8860 Message: 8879

Luciano,

These fat fingers and old man's eye's get me every time.

73

Don/KC8CY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Luciano
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2009 6:39 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Hi DON: Just a little correction TS7C is operating from AF-073.

73 de Luciano PT7WA

Donald L. De Feyter escreveu:

Lance,

TS7C is IOTA AS-073.

73

Don/KC8CY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack
Widup
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2009 10:13 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

I don't quite get the hubbub about TS7C. 3V8BB has been active in
practically every major contest for the last few years, at least. I have
them worked and confirmed on all bands except 160 (the ops have done some
WARC band operating outside the contests).

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Jan 13, 2009 at 11:37 PM, Lance Martin <lance.martin@
<mailto:lance.martin@...> cbs.curtin.edu.au> wrote:

TS7C has been very weak so far in VK. We are hoping they will turn their
beams this way towards the end of the trip.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> com
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups. <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> com] On Behalf Of
Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Wednesday, 14 January 2009 1:45 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> com
Subject: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

40 CW, 7020 QSX +5, calling for USA only, 0430 UTC Wednesday (EU asleep,
good plan!). Strong signal into East Coast. He worked into Central US as
well.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@arrl. <mailto:wd4elg%40arrl.net> net
http://wd4elg. <http://wd4elg.net/> net

8880. Suggestions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 03:01:04 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 8880 Message: 8880

Although there haven't been any annoucements about it lately, a small group of us are going to be down on St. Johns re-activating NP2SH around the time of the CQ WPX CW contest. (We will run NP2SH during the contest, some of us will run KP2/home calls before and after.)

My job on the team is to set up the two or three laptops for computer logging both before/after and during the contest.

So, rather than argue about travel plans and new League awards... anyone have any suggestions for software to use? I have some ideas, but I'm sure I don't know everything that's out there. We don't have to use the same package for the contest & other operating, but I don't want to use more than two.

Suggestions?

73, ron w3wn

8881. Re: [DX-IS] Suggestions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 03:52:34 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8880 Message: 8881

I'd recommend WriteLog.

It's a very good contesting program, and has a "DXPedition Mode" also.

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7

From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2009 9:01 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Suggestions

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Suggestions?

73, ron w3wn

8882. Re: [DX-IS]OH8X NEW DIMENSIONS ! 5 EL YAGI 80 M & 3 EL YAGI 160 METER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 04:43:38 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8874 Message: 8882

used all 4 links....."page not found"
Dale K8TS

-------------- Original message --------------
From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
At 06:03 PM 1/14/2009, you wrote:
>Hello fellow DXers......
>
>dunno if you got this through other chanels......
>
>
>just AMAZING.....
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>vy 73 and greeetz from Bavaria
>
>
>Helmut
>OE8SOQ + DG7DXX
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>_http://www.radioarkala.com/nbspStation/TowersandAntennas/Tower7/tabid/358/D
>efault.aspx_
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>ef
>ault.aspx_
>(http://www.radioarkala.com/nbspStation/TowersandAntennas/Tower7/tabid/358/D
>efault.aspx)
>

That is an amazing setup, Helmut! Thanks for passing the URL
along to the group. Imagine how much DX could be worked on 160 and
80 if we all that sort of antenna set-up.

73, Paul VE1DX

8883. Shorter URL to the 160/80 beam pictures

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 04:49:38 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8883 Message: 8883

At 12:43 AM 1/15/2009, you wrote:
>used all 4 links....."page not found"
>Dale K8TS
>

It's a rather long URL, so I converted it to a shorter one. Try
clicking on this:

http://tinyurl.com/8g5m7e

I think that should work for you.

73, Paul VE1DX

8884. Re: [DX-IS] Am I missing sump'in?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 04:50:29 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8825 Message: 8884

I was just quandring (sp) why every spot repeated over and over that it was rtty they working.....I would think that a spot or two would do.....and if you went to the spot freq it certainly shoud be apparent what mode they were working. just seemed redundant to me.
Dale K8TS

-------------- Original message --------------
From: Earl Needham <needhame1@...>
Danny Douglas wrote:
> When a spotted frequency is one that might be one or several modes, why not?
That's going to apply to every frequency out there pretty soon --
during contests, I've heard RTTY as low as 14.003 and nobody wants to
know about it or fix it.

7 3
Earl

--
KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

8885. Re: [DX-IS] Shorter URL to the 160/80 beam pictures

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 05:07:46 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8883 Message: 8885

Thanks Paul--I worked
Dale K8TS
t

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-------------- Original message --------------
From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
At 12:43 AM 1/15/2009, you wrote:

used all 4 links........."page not found"
Dale K8TS

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http://tinyurl.com/8g5m7e

I think that should work for you.

73, Paul VE1DX

8886. Re: [DX-IS] Shorter URL to the 160/80 beam pictures

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 05:54:05 UTC
From: OE8SOQ Helmut
Topic: 8883 Message: 8886

Thanks Paul for converting.... its a lot easier to get the link working hi

73 de Helmut
DG7DXX+OE8SOQ

----- Original Message -----
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2009 6:07 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Shorter URL to the 160/80 beam pictures

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Dale K8TS
t

s

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Dale K8TS

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http://tinyurl.com/8g5m7e

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73, Paul VE1DX

8887. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it--more spam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 13:01:05 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 8757 Message: 8887

Does everyone on this list need to see this personal communications?

Please respond to personal emails directly not to the list.

Don
N1DG

At 08:33 PM 1/12/2009, K0HB wrote:

>No but I'm still looking.
>
>I do a lot of back-country hiking, and it's a fascinating area.
>
>73, de Hans, K0HB/W7
>
>
>From: <mailto:w9sz.zack@...>Zack Widup
>Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 4:28 PM
>To: <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it
>
>Did you find the Lost Dutchman's Mine?
>
>:-)
>
>On Mon, Jan 12, 2009 at 3:46 PM, K0HB <<mailto:kzerohb@...>kzerohb@...> wrote:
>>
>>I'm just portable for a few months in the Superstition mountains, hiding from my
snowblower.
>>
>>73, de Hans, K0HB

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EX-WB2DND, A61AD (GUEST OP, QSL MGR), A52DG, /KH9, /BV, /VS6, /4X, /9V
Pilot: VU7RG, 3Y0X, VK9ML, D68C, VK0IR, K8XP/KH9, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, ZL9CI
Webmaster: BS7H, 3Y0X, K5K, A52A, VK0IR, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, WB2DND/KH9, BQ9P, ZL9CI
QSL Manager: A61AD, A61AO, A61X, A61AQ
2006 inductee into the CQ Magazine DX Hall of Fame
Member: FOC, ARRL, DDXA, YCCC

SKYPE: aurumtel

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8888. change in the way DX-IS list works

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 13:20:35 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 8454 Message: 8888

After some thought, and seeing how many other Yahoo Groups work, I have made a small change in the way our list works so that the default setting of a reply is to the sender, not the whole list.

If you want to reply to everyone, add dx-is@yahoogroups.com to the TO: area. Otherwise the personal traffic is just that: comments are sent back to the sender.

I think this will cut down on the unnecessary traffic to the list.

Thanks,

Don
N1DG

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Pilot: VU7RG, 3Y0X, VK9ML, D68C, VK0IR, K8XP/KH9, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, ZL9CI
Webmaster: BS7H, 3Y0X, K5K, A52A, VK0IR, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, WB2DND/KH9, BQ9P, ZL9CI
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8889. (no subject)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 13:39:08 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8889 Message: 8889

DX IS! - An edited version of the following report was published in this weeks QRZ DX.....

Band conditions the past week were less than we've been used to but there were a few surprises.... Morocco, Malta, Marshall Island and New Caledonia. Reunion Island and Saint Helena Island were also heard / seen again.

AB9M Spot Report [Filter: SQL [AB9M]] 11-Jan-2009

Callsign DXCCCountry Freq Mode FirstTime Source Notes

5C5W Morocco 14,071.1 PSK 2009-10-01 14:36 AB9M PSK PSK31
9H4CM Malta 14,072.6 PSK 2009-09-01 14:18 AB9M PSK PSK31
AL3H Alaska 14,071.4 PSK 2009-10-01 22:16 AB9M PSK PSK31
CO2GL Cuba 14,072.1 PSK 2009-05-01 21:53 AB9M PSK PSK31
CO2GL Cuba 14,072.2 PSK 2009-06-01 22:30 AB9M PSK PSK31
CP1JZ Bolivia 14,071.2 PSK 2009-05-01 22:34 AB9M PSK PSK31
CU3CY Azores 14,071.1 PSK 2009-11-01 14:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
CX4ACH Uruguay 14,071.8 PSK 2009-07-01 22:10 AB9M PSK PSK31
CX4AR Uruguay 14,072.0 PSK 2009-08-01 22:07 AB9M PSK PSK31
DB7HH Fed Rep of Germany 14,072.2 PSK 2009-10-01 14:00 AB9M PSK PSK31
DF9YC Fed Rep of Germany 14,070.8 PSK 2009-09-01 14:19 AB9M PSK PSK31
DL1BBO Fed Rep of Germany 14,072.5 PSK 2009-08-01 14:31 AB9M PSK PSK31
DL1SWB Fed Rep of Germany 14,072.0 PSK 2009-07-01 13:44 AB9M PSK PSK31
DL2BQV Fed Rep of Germany 14,072.0 PSK 2009-11-01 14:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
EA1AS Spain 14,071.8 PSK 2009-10-01 14:00 AB9M PSK PSK31
EA8BPK Canary Is 7,037.2 PSK 2009-08-01 02:03 AB9M PSK PSK31
EA8CFV Canary Is 14,071.4 PSK 2009-06-01 17:58 AB9M PSK PSK31
EA8CNX Canary Is 14,072.2 PSK 2009-10-01 14:00 AB9M PSK PSK31
EA8FO Canary Is 14,071.2 PSK 2009-08-01 18:25 AB9M PSK PSK31
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EB3JT Spain 14,071.0 PSK 2009-09-01 14:19 AB9M PSK PSK31
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GM0SDV Scotland 14,072.3 PSK 2009-11-01 14:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
HA1ZW Hungary 14,071.3 PSK 2009-07-01 13:45 AB9M PSK PSK31
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HE8BOS Switzerland 14,070.9 PSK 2009-10-01 14:38 AB9M PSK PSK31
HK6DOS Colombia 14,071.2 PSK 2009-07-01 13:45 AB9M PSK PSK31
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HP1KZ Panama 14,071.8 PSK 2009-07-01 22:08 AB9M PSK PSK31
HR2J Honduras 14,071.7 PSK 2009-06-01 23:05 AB9M PSK PSK31
IK6HQW Italy 14,072.2 PSK 2009-07-01 13:45 AB9M PSK PSK31
IS0YHV Sardinia 14,071.3 PSK 2009-07-01 13:45 AB9M PSK PSK31
IZ1GRI Italy 14,071.4 PSK 2009-10-01 14:01 AB9M PSK PSK31

JE1CPB Japan 14,072.1 PSK 2009-06-01 23:04 AB9M PSK PSK31
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KL7JGN Alaska 14,071.4 PSK 2009-05-01 22:50 AB9M PSK PSK31
KL7OO United States 14,070.8 PSK 2009-05-01 22:02 AB9M PSK PSK31
KP2BH US Virgin Islands 14,072.5 PSK 2009-06-01 17:48 AB9M PSK PSK31
KP4DS Puerto Rico 14,071.3 PSK 2009-05-01 22:34 AB9M PSK PSK31
LB5MA Norway 14,071.8 PSK 2009-11-01 15:29 AB9M PSK PSK31
LU7DTS Argentina 14,071.7 PSK 2009-06-01 23:11 AB9M PSK PSK31
LU9HGW Argentina 14,071.8 PSK 2009-05-01 22:33 AB9M PSK PSK31

NP4EG Puerto Rico 14,071.2 PSK 2009-06-01 22:07 AB9M PSK PSK31
OK1DIB Czech Republic 14,071.7 PSK 2009-11-01 14:47 AB9M PSK PSK31
OK2FB Czech Republic 14,071.6 PSK 2009-07-01 13:45 AB9M PSK PSK31
ON3CYV Belgium 14,071.8 PSK 2009-08-01 14:31 AB9M PSK PSK31
ON3RX/QRP Belgium 14,071.8 PSK 2009-07-01 13:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
ON4CAS Belgium 14,072.4 PSK 2009-10-01 14:01 AB9M PSK PSK31
ON5SD Belgium 14,070.9 PSK 2009-11-01 14:47 AB9M PSK PSK31
OX3DB Greenland 14,071.6 PSK 2009-07-01 17:56 AB9M PSK PSK31
OZ1XV Denmark 14,071.9 PSK 2009-10-01 14:36 AB9M PSK PSK31
PA3HDG Netherlands 14,072.1 PSK 2009-11-01 15:10 AB9M PSK PSK31
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PD0DK Netherlands 14,071.5 PSK 2009-09-01 14:19 AB9M PSK PSK31
PJ2MI Bonaire,Curacao 14,072.0 PSK 2009-06-01 22:21 AB9M PSK PSK31
PJ2MI Bonaire,Curacao 14,071.0 PSK 2009-07-01 21:55 AB9M PSK PSK31
PJ2S Bonaire,Curacao 14,071.0 PSK 2009-07-01 21:55 AB9M PSK PSK31
PP5/OE9APV Brazil 14,071.0 PSK 2009-05-01 23:03 AB9M PSK PSK31
RA0FLP Asiatic Russia 14,072.7 PSK 2009-09-01 23:00 AB9M PSK PSK31
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TA2MW Turkey 14,070.5 PSK 2009-11-01 15:06 AB9M PSK PSK31
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TI3TEJ Costa Rica 14,071.9 PSK 2009-09-01 23:00 AB9M PSK PSK31
TI3VLM Costa Rica 14,070.9 PSK 2009-10-01 22:15 AB9M PSK PSK31
TI7/AA2UP Costa Rica 14,071.2 PSK 2009-05-01 22:34 AB9M PSK PSK31
UA0FAI Asiatic Russia 14,071.2 PSK 2009-09-01 22:52 AB9M PSK PSK31
UR5WCQ Ukraine 14,072.2 PSK 2009-07-01 13:44 AB9M PSK PSK31
UY7QL Ukraine 14,071.0 PSK 2009-07-01 13:56 AB9M PSK PSK31
V73R Marshall Is 14,072.3 PSK 2009-06-01 23:02 AB9M PSK PSK31
VE9DX Canada 14,070.5 PSK 2009-10-01 14:37 AB9M PSK PSK31
VK2KM Australia 14,072.0 PSK 2009-05-01 22:33 AB9M PSK PSK31

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YU7NW Serbia 14,071.7 PSK 2009-11-01 14:48 AB9M PSK PSK31
YV1GIY Venezuela 14,071.5 PSK 2009-06-01 22:07 AB9M PSK PSK31
ZD7JC Saint Helena Is 14,070.8 PSK 2009-05-01 22:02 AB9M PSK PSK31
ZS6P Republic of South Africa 14,071.2 PSK 2009-08-01 18:24

Best regards,

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8890. Re: [DX-IS] Shorter URL to the 160/80 beam pictures

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 14:06:03 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 8883 Message: 8890

OE8SOQ Helmut wrote:
>
> Thanks Paul for converting.... its a lot easier to get the link working hi

Is this antenna on the air yet? I would really like to hear the signal
from it.

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

8891. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Hans did it--more spam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-15 15:12:27 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8757 Message: 8891

Somebody asked me a question, and I responded. Sorry if it offended you.

When people were raking me over the coals, suggesting I was taking money from ARRL from Triple Play you didn't find it appropriate to play moderator, but for this innocent exchange you find it necessary to "make an example"?

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7

From: Don Greenbaum
Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2009 7:01 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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N1DG

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EX-WB2DND, A61AD (GUEST OP, QSL MGR), A52DG, /KH9, /BV, /VS6, /4X, /9V
Pilot: VU7RG, 3Y0X, VK9ML, D68C, VK0IR, K8XP/KH9, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, ZL9CI
Webmaster: BS7H, 3Y0X, K5K, A52A, VK0IR, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, WB2DND/KH9, BQ9P, ZL9CI

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UGANDA, 5X. Peter, DL8SBQ is QRV as 5X4X from Arua until June. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using SSB. He is active up until 2000z each day. QSL via DF5GQ.

SENEGAL, 6W. Tom, DL2RMC is here on holiday and is QRV as 6W/home call until January 29. He is active on all bands, holiday style. This includes an entry in the upcoming CQ WW 160 Meter contest. QSL via DL1RTL.

ALGERIA, 7X. Fred, ON6QR will be QRV from the Amateur Radio Algeria club station 7X2ARA on January 17 and 18. This includes an entry in the Hungarian DX contest. Activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB as propagation permits. QSL via 7X2ARA.

AZORES, CU. Operators CU8AS, HB9CRV and HB9CQL will be QRV as CU8W from Farol do Albarnaz Island, IOTA EU-089, from January 19 to 23. Activity will be on the low bands using CW and RTTY. QSL via operators' instructions.

URUGUAY, CX. A group of operators from Radio Grupo Sur will be QRV as CV5A from Flores Island, IOTA SA-030, from January 22 to 26. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes, with a dedicated RTTY/PSK31 station active as well. QSL via CX2ABC.

GERMANY, DA. Special event station DR09ANT is QRV during 2009 from the Upper Bavaria district for International Polar Year. They are active on as many bands and modes as possible. QSL via DL5MHQ.

NEW CALEDONIA, FK. Sam is QRV as FK8DD and has been active on 20 meters around 0900z. QSL via LZ1JZ.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Daniel, F5LGQ is QRV as TO4IPA until January 31.

THAILAND, HS. Joerg, DL1MJF will be QRV as HS0ZGQ from Koh Samui Island, IOTA AS-101, from January 20 to February 12. QSL to home call.

DOMINICA, J7. Seth, SM0CCM will be QRV as J79XBI from January 17 to April 1 while on holiday. Activity will be on the HF bands using only SSB. QSL via SM0XBI.

GUAM, KH2. Yoshi, JE2EHP is QRV as K1HP/KP2 until January 19. Activity is on all HF bands, including 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. Operators JA1CJA, JA3BZO and JA3AVO will be QRV as KP2/AE6XY, KP2/AE6YQ and KP2/W3AVO, respectively, from January 17 to 22. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home calls.

LITHUANIA, LY. To mark the Millennium of Lithuania, a number of club members are QRV with the prefix LY1000 until March 1. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

BANGLADESH, S2. Operators S21RC, S21AM, S21DM, S21RO, S21SA and S21S are QRV as S21DX from St. Martin's Island, IOTA AS-127, until January 22. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL direct via EB7DX.

MOUNT ATHOS, SV/A. Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, has been QRV on 160 meters around 0530 to 0630z on various days. QSL direct.

PALAU, T8. Mike, JA6EGL, Yas, JA6UBY, Yu, JE6DND and Hiro, JA6KYU are QRV as T88SM, T88CP, T88HK and T88HS, respectively, from Koror Island, IOTA OC-009, until January 18. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct to home calls.

TURKEY, TA. Sadao, JA1PBV is QRV as TA7/KI6TIU until February 11. He expects to be active from Cappadocia, Antalya, Izmir and possibly others locations within Turkey as well. QSL to home call.

BERMUDA, VP9. In celebration of the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Bermuda, amateur radio operators here will use the special prefix VP9400 during 2009.

CAMBODIA, XU. Hiroo, JA2EZD is QRV using calls XU7AAA and XU7ADX until January 30. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via XU7AAA.

INDONESIA, YB. Adhi, YB3MM is QRV as YB3MM/9 from Nanggu Island, IOTA OC-150, until January 18 while on holiday. Activity is mostly

on 17 meters using CW and RTTY. His operating times vary. QSL via IZ8CCW.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes, North American SSB QSO Party, NCCC Sprint, LZ Open CW Contest, Hungarian DX Contest and UK RTTY DX Contest are all on tap for this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for January 19. Please see January QST, page 82, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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8893. #1 in LoTW Triple Play awarded

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The first guy has got #1 in the "Triple Play" award"

http://www.arrl.org/?artid=8707

73, Paul VE1DX

8894. 4O3A LOTW QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-16 13:53:10 UTC
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With a DXKeeper upload of this morning's PSK-31 QSOs to LOTW, I found a confirmation of a 4O3A 40M CW contact on 9 JAN 2009. This modern logging and electronic QSL exchange is very FB!

Best regards,

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7X - Fred, ON6QR will be active from the Algerian Radio Amateurs Association's club station, 7X2ARA, from 20 UTC on 17 January until the early morning of the 18th. He will operate both CW and SSB during the Hungarian DX Contest. QSL via 7X2ARA. [TNX NG3K]
CT - Marq, CT1BWW says he will be active as CS6BWW during the main contests in January, February and March. QSl via bureau.
HS - Joerg, DL1MJF (HS0ZGQ) will be active from Thailand from 20 January to 12 February. He will spend one week on Koh Samui (AS-101) during that time frame. Look for HS0ZGQ/2 to operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres with 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via DL1MJF.
I - The Amateur Radio Group of RAI (the Italian public service broadcaster) will be active as II2RAI until 31 December to celebrate two landmark anniversaries: the 55th of the first television broadcast (January 1954) and the 85th of the first radio broadcast (October 1924). QSL via bureau to IQ2RD. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX IQ2RD]
J7 - Seth, SM0XBI will be active again as J79XBI from Dominica (NA-101) from 17 January until around 1 April. He will operate SSB only. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX NG3K]
LY - Celebrating the Millennium of Lithuania, fourteen LY1000 stations will be active at various stages until 31 August. Further information, including details on the relevant award, can be found on the Lithuanian Amateur Radio Society's website at http://www.lrmd.ivi.lt/en/awards.htm [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
LZ - Special event stations LZ8WHST and LZ17ARDF are active until September to promote the 8th World High Speed Telegraphy Championship (http://www.hst2009.eu) and the 17th IARU Region 1 ARDF Championships (http://www.ardf2009.eu/) that will be held in Obzor, Bulgaria on 11-15 and 16-21 September respectively. QSL LZ8WHST via LZ1PJ, QSL LZ17ARDF via LZ1ZF.
V3 - Gerd, DJ4KW (V31YN) and Gisela, DK9GG (V31GW) will be active from Belize from 19 January to early March, including a number of

contests. From 26 February to 3 March look for V31YN/p to be active from NA-180. QSLs via home calls (direct or bureau), or LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
VP8 - The group of YLs going to the Falkland Islands (SA-002) on 17-31 January [425DXN 899] includes Ruth/IT9ESZ (VP8YLI), Mio/JR3MVF (VP8YLF), Unni/LA6RHA (VP8YLD), Liz/M0ACL (VP8YLB), Nicky/M5YLO (VP8YLE), Chantal/PA3GQG (VP8YLH), Victoria/SV2KBS (VP8YLG) and Jeanie/WA6UVF (VP8YLA). QSL via home calls. They also expect to operate under the local YL club callsign (VP8YLC). Expect activity on 10-80 metres, mainly SSB, with four stations. Updates will be posted at http://www.radioclubs.net/aa_vp8yl_/
VP9 - The Radio Society of Bermuda reports that special prefix VP9400 has been authorized for use during 2009 to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Bermuda by Sir George Somers. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]
W - The District of Columbia Amateur Radio Society (NW3DC) will be active as W3A on 17-24 January in honour of the inauguration of the 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama. Main activity is expected to be on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via W3DQ (direct), bureau and LoTW. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]
YB9 - Adhi, YB3MM will be active as YB3MM/9 from Nanggu Island (OC-150) on 16-18 January. He will operate holiday style, concentrating on 17 metres CW and RTTY. His operating times will also depend on the local electric supply. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or bureau [TNX IZ8CCW]

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9A POSTAL RATES ---> Tom, 9A2AA reports a raise in Crotian postal rates. The new rates for surface mail letters to any country are 8 Kuna (up to 50 grams) and 15 Kuna (50-100 grams). The new rates for air mail letters up to 20 grams are 10 Kuna (to Europe), 11 Kuna (to USA), 11.2 Kuna (to Japan) and 12 Kuna (Australia and New Zealand). The exhange rate is 1 IRC = 10.5 Kuna, and 1 USD = 5 Kuna. IRCs without the issuing Post Office stamp in the left box cannot be redeemed.

CQ & EQSL CONFIRMATIONS ---> CQ Editor Rich Moseson (W2VU) and eQSL Founder and Webmaster Dave Morris (N5UP) announced on 13 January that "CQ magazine will accept contact confirmations made on the eQSL.cc electronic confirmation system for its operating awards effective immediately". Read the announcement at http://www.eqsl.net/qslcard/PR-20090113CQ.cfm; for more information on eQSL and CQ awards, please visit http://www.eQSL.cc and http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/ respectively.

HI9/EA3BT & HI9/EA3WL ---> Josep, EA3BT and Nuria, EA3WL have prepared a website for their 21-27 January operation from Cayo Levantado (NA-122)

[425DXN 923]. Please visit http://www.ea3bt.com for further information on this activity and on-line logs.

KP5 TEAM PREPARES FOR EUROPE ---> The KP1-5 Project is very aware of the need for Desecheo in Europe. Previous DXpeditions contended with an obstructed path to Europe making working this #3 most needed country, difficult at best. During the recent reconnaissance trip to the island, agreement was reached that will allow antennas to be placed on a ridgeline above the helipad that will give a clear path to Europe. See the photos showing the problem and the plan at http://www.kp5.us/ (click on News/Updates): the team wants to provide as many EU hams with a QSO as possible! Please visit also http://www.kp5.us/help.htm to support this DXpedition. [TNX NA5U]

LOGS ---> Roland, F8EN (TR8CR) is still active with his special callsign, TR50R. The first batch of QSOs is now available for on-line search at http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php [TNX F6AJA]

QSL NA-086 ---> The QSL routes for the recent activities from IOTA group NA-086 are as follows:
CM6RCR/p 15-22 December via W3HNK
CO6LC/p 15-22 December via home call (direct)
CO7PH/p 15-18 December via W3HNK
T47C 19-21 December via W3HNK
Ed, CO7PH says that the operations have been approved for IOTA credit and the QSL cards are being printed.

QSL S52BB ---> Buzz, NI5DX is now the QSL manager for Zivko, S52BB. He will be able to answer all QSL requests once the new cards are received from the printer in about 4-5 weeks. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL VIA RA4LW ---> Vlad says he is the new QSL manager for either ER4DX and ER0WW. QSL direct only to Vladimir V. Ryabov, P.O. Box 2, Dimitrovgrad, 433508, Russia.

SRT DX CONVENTION ---> The 6th International DX Convention organized by the Strange Radio Team will take place on 18-19 April at the Best Western Hotel Esplanade, Paestum (Salerno). Please visit www.strangeradioteam.com for full details on the programme, or e-mail idxc@... for further information. [TNX IZ8EDJ]

TROPOSHERIC DUCTING ---> Information on the trans-Atlantic tropospheric ducting attempt between Namibia (V5/N7BHC) and Brazil (ZY6Y and PT1A) can be found at http://transatlantic.japydx.org and http://tinyurl.com/v51-n7bhc [TNX PY2ZX]

TS7C ---> The website (http://www.ts7c.net/) has been down since 15 January at around 22 UTC. It might be up and running again before the end of the expedition, but the on-line logs are unlikely to be updated. TS7C will go QRT at 7 UTC on 18 January, as the team will leave the island around 14 UTC. [TNX F5NQL]

WCA ---> The World Castles Award is for working stations operating from castles located in Belarus, Belgium, Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Switzerland, The Netherlands and Ukraine. Complete information can be found at http://www.rz1cwc.qrz.ru/ [TNX RN1CW]

+ SILENT KEYS + Emil F. Malek, W6GVM passed away on 26 December 2008 at 92 years of age. Cab, N6OC says he was "very active in ham radio chasing DX, gaining Honor Roll Membership and #1 Honor Roll plaque, staying at the top to the end". Other recently reported Silent Keys include, Bill Moorwood (G3CAQ), Primo Bombardini (I4BNR), Lloyd 'Shally' Shallenberger (K6VHP), Linda Walworth (KE5TF), Olavo Rufino (PY5BAZ) and Anatolij N. Tselikov (UR5FJ).

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4K6OF UA3FDX EK3AA IK2QPR SN90MKW SQ3MKW
4K9W DL6KVA EM70Q UY5QZ SN90SPK SP3SPK
4L1UN EA7FTR EY8MM K1BV SV0XBM/9 G3PDL
4L6DL LZ1OT FK8DD LZ1JZ T30HC DL9HCU
4Z8AY F5LGE FM5FJ KU9C T88CP JA6UBY
4Z8BB WC1X H44MS DL2GAC T88HK JE6DND
5C5W EA5XX HE8CIC HB9CIC T88HS JA6KYU
5D0IPY I0YKN HE8DAX HB9DAX T88ME 7N1RTO
5X1AB K6EID HE8FAP HB9FAP T88SM JA6EGL
7S3F SM3AF HE8TMW HB9TMW TA7/KI6TIU JA1PBV
7Z1UG DG1XG HE8XC HB9XC TI2TL IN3DEI
8Q7AK G7COD HF0APAS SP9YI TI3/WA7UZO AI4U
8R44USA 8R1AK HK1JKL EA5KB TL8PRV IN3EYY
9G5SW DC8XL HL0LPM/2 6K2BWA TM5B F6KEH
9H3BX G3TZM HR9/IK2QPR IK2QPR TR50R F6AJA
9H3HOD OH2HOD IY4FGM IK4UPU TS7C F4EGD
9H3ME OH2ME J28KO F6DKI UE1NFF RN1NU
9H3OT OH2OT J5UAP HA3AUI UE1QSK UA1RJ
9J2BO G3TEV K1HP/KH2 JE2EHP UE1RFF UA1RJ
9J2CA G3SWH KL7J N3SL UE3DDX/3 RZ3FR
9J2FM JA4ATV KP2M AI4U UE3SFF/1 RU3SD
9L1BTB SP7BTB LM9K75Y LA9K UE9WFF/4 UA1RJ
A35RS ZL1RS LQ5D LU9DA UE9XIV RA9XV
AP2DKH W2FB LY1000FW LY1FW UN9PQ IK2QPR
C56KR OZ8KR LZ09BR LZ1KZA UP2L UN7LZ
C6AGN W1DIG OA4TT N6XQ V26MN DF8AN
C6AMP DL2NCY OE1KIDS OE1XIC V51B AI4U

CU2DX CU2AA OG2P OH2PM VP8DKF K2ARB
CX6DAP CX2ABC OH0R OH2PM WP3C W3HNK
CX7CO WB3CDX OH0X OH2TA WP3R W3HNK
DL50DRAX DF6LI ON60ARSG ON7KC XR27RAID HA1AG
DR09ANT DL5MHQ P40CG W2CG XV9DX OM3JW
DU1ZV JA1BRK P40PZ EA5GVH XX9TKV F4BKV
E44M IZ0BTV [a] P49X W0YK YI1RAZ IK2DUW
E44M SP3DOI [b] S50IPY S51RU YI9AJ OM3JW
E70R E77E S51ZZ NI5DX YS3/I2JIN I2JIN
E73A 9A2AA SN0WOSP SP5KCR YV5DTJ IT9DAA
E77A 9A2AA SN90DKI SP2DKI ZD8N G3ZVW
EA6URB EA6ZX SN90FYX SP3FYX ZS1REC OK1DOT

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8897. New Top 100 Most Wanted has been published:

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-16 19:23:02 UTC
From: Richard DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 8897 Message: 8897

http://www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html

Here's the top 10! #1 - #4 are as they were in 2007. I am sure the #6 will disappear down the list after February.

73 Rich NN3W

2008 2007
PREFIX COUNTRY
1 P5 NORTH KOREA 1
2 7O YEMEN 2
3 KP1 NAVASSA 3
4 FR-G GLORIOSO 4
5 ZS8 MARION ISLAND 6
6 KP5 DESECHEO 7
7 3Y-B BOUVET 5
8 VKØ-H HEARD ISLAND 10
9 FT5W CROZET 9
10 FT5Z AMSTERDAM 11

8898. ARLP003 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-16 23:06:17 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8898 Message: 8898

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP003
ARLP003 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP03
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 3 ARLP003
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 16, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP003
ARLP003 Propagation de K7RA

A nice sunspot group, number 1010, appeared for five days from Friday, January 9 through Tuesday, January 13. Daily sunspot numbers ranged from 11 to 20, and this one was another Cycle 24 appearance. The Cycle 23 sunspots seem to be gone, while the new solar Cycle 24 isn't picking up very quickly.

1010 was here for five days, following a whole solar rotation--27 days of no sunspots since 1009 was visible for just three days, December 10-12. Prior to that were 23 spotless days since seeing sunspot 1008, visible for eight days from November 10-17.

This minimum looks longer and lower than the last solar minimum, but there are many ways to slice the data.

For instance, on http://solarcycle24.com/ search the rather cluttered home page and click the Sunspots tab to the right of Trend Charts toward the upper right on the page, then inspect the bar graph titled "Spotless Days vs. Cycle 23 Minimum," the second one down from the top on the right. Click on it to fill the page, and see the comparison of spotless days per month for the period June 2007 through November 2008 with the earlier period June 1996 through November 1997.

With all that red showing for spotless days in the recent period, this certainly looks like a big difference between the recent period and the one 11 years ago, but there is an inherent bias in comparing May 2008 and May 1997, for instance. This comparison might be valid if solar cycles were precisely 11.0 years long, or in this case, 11 years from a cycle minimum to the next cycle minimum, but of course this is not the case. 11 years is an approximation, and in fact if you average all 23 of the previous solar cycles, the average number is less than 11 years.

The problem becomes apparent if we look at the data and compare spotless days for the five months prior to the beginning of this graph, January through May.

It turns out that those months had a sixty-eight percent higher number of spotless days back in 1996 than the same months 11 years later. From January 1, 2007 through May 31, 2007 there were 40 spotless days. But January 1, 1996 through May 31, 1996 had a total of 67 spotless days.

Data that is uncertain is in August 2008, which is listed with all spotless days. But August 21-22 there was a brief sunspot appearance, although it wasn't widely reported because there was some speculation regarding whether it was big enough to be counted as a sunspot. Check http://www.spaceweather.com/ and on the archives area at the right side of the page, change the date to August 21, 2008, and note that under the Daily Sun on the left margin, it shows the daily sunspot number as 11. To the right of the daily Sun you can click on the photograph under the heading New Sunspots for a closer look.

Now check August 22, and see the same sunspot number 11.

It is easy to inspect this data and make comparisons if you download the Solar Data Plotting utility mentioned in our first bulletin of this year, Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP001, at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2009-arlp001.html. The GRAPH.dat file for this program has sunspot and solar flux numbers since the start of 1989, and if you copy it into your documents folder and rename the file to graph.doc, you can page through it easily with a word processor. You can also take this file and load it into a spreadsheet program.

At least with our quiet Sun the geomagnetic indices continue to stay quiet.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet days from January 16-22, except January 18 to be unsettled, and January 19 at quiet to unsettled. NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center along with the U.S. Air Force predict quiet conditions with a planetary A index of five for the rest of January, except 8 on January 19, 10 and 8 on January 27-28, and 8 again on January 30.

Last week's propagation forecast bulletin mentioned the STEREO mission, and how to find out what the current satellite positions were, relative to earth and the Sun. John Fors, WD7Z of Capulin, New Mexico sent a link to a page which allows you to see the positions for any date or time at, http://stereo-ssc.nascom.nasa.gov/where/.

John said that from February 2011 onward, STEREO should get a detailed simultaneous view of all sides of the Sun. This will give a precise reading of activity soon to rotate into view.

Currently it shows the two satellites at nearly a 90 degree angle from each other. Six months from now the angle will be 104 degrees and a year from now it should be at 134 degrees. Two years from now they will be nearly opposite each other at 177.6 degrees. The last date I can generate the listing of angles for is January 21, 2012 when STEREO-B is 113.669 degrees relative to earth, and STEREO-A is 107.583 degrees relative to earth. Beyond that date users can continue to generate the visual plots, and ideally the two satellites and earth would all be ultimately positioned 120 degrees relative to each other for maximum coverage.

No 6 meter reports from North America this week, but there was one from Spain. Joaquin Montoya, EA2CCG reported that on January 12 he worked OE1SOW in Vienna, followed by another Austrian, then Poland, Germany, Croatia, Slovak Republic, and Slovenia.

He used a Moxon antenna (see http://www.moxonantennaproject.com/n2mh/n2mh.htm) that was broken during a recent ice storm and hanging from the tower, and signals were S5-S7 with QSB.

Joaquin said 10 meters was open on the same day, and that he could hear European beacons. He worked the TS7C expedition on Kerkennah Island in Tunisia on 10 meters that morning.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for January 8 through 14 were 0, 14, 17, 20, 12, 11, and 0 with a mean of 10.6. 10.7 cm flux was 68.7, 69.7, 70.9, 70, 69.3, 70.5, and 71.2 with a mean of 70. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 4, 4, 2, 0, 3 and 5 with a mean of 3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 4, 2, 1, 0, 2 and 6 with a mean of 2.4.
NNNN
/EX

8899. Re: [DX-IS] Shorter URL to the 160/80 beam pictures

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-17 04:52:22 UTC
From: OE8SOQ Helmut
Topic: 8883 Message: 8899

Mike.... and the group...

according to their site, they will be on the air within the CQWW 160 CW end
of January.

I strolled on their site yesterday for an hour or more..... just amazing
what the guys have set up there.

and..... even more amazing..... they attract young people for ham radio....

vy 73 de Helmut
OE8SOQ + DG7DXX

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2009 3:06 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Shorter URL to the 160/80 beam pictures

> OE8SOQ Helmut wrote:
> >
> > Thanks Paul for converting.... its a lot easier to get the link working
hi
>
>
> Is this antenna on the air yet? I would really like to hear the signal
> from it.
>
> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
> *age & treachery will overcome youth & skill*
> *"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
> where the big chunks float to the top"*
> http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
>
> ------------------------------------
>
> Yahoo! Groups Links
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8900. wasted spot?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-18 15:41:46 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8900 Message: 8900

I just saw a spot for the VP8 - YL operation indicating that the spotter could not hear the VP8. This is important? Isn't there enough garbage being spotted "legitimately" that doesn't matter?

73

Al, VE1AL

8901. Re: [DX-IS] wasted spot?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-18 16:21:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8900 Message: 8901

At 11:41 AM 1/18/2009, you wrote:
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>could not hear the VP8. This is important? Isn't there enough garbage
>being spotted "legitimately" that doesn't matter?
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>Al, VE1AL

Hi Al,

My take on that is that the spotter probably heard someone work the VP8, but could not hear the VP8 himself. However, you or I might be able to hear the VP8, so I feel the spot is justified. My rationale is that it is a global spotting system, not like in the old days of localised packet where spots were almost certain to always be relevant to those connected (same general skip zone.) Hence it is useful for me to know a VP8 is on a given frequency. Even if I feel there is little chance of hearing him or her, if I need it on the band/mode spotted, I'll go have a quick listen.

I should point out that VE1 DXers, for whatever reason, generally seem reluctant to spot anything. Hence I am grateful for those who do spot DX along the US east coast and even further inland. I can handle the high volume because I have the stuff I do not need filtered out. There are actually quite a few band fills I need, and it's surprising at common things I've missed over the years.

A minor annoyance to me over the years is those DXers who work something and quietly log it and never spot it. Fair enough. No one is required to tell the world and have the hordes descend on the DX. I understand that point of view. However, at the same time, those same non-spotters are glued to the cluster screen, and are ready to pounce when something they need is spotted. It seem to me to be a case of all taking and no giving. Obviously common sense comes into play here as there is no need to be the 37th person to spot TS7C on 40M CW in a 30 minute period.

That is my view on DX spotting. I'm sure there are many other opinions just as valid as mine.

73, Paul VE1DX

8902. Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-18 19:54:38 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8902 Message: 8902

In my warped mind, a true DX spot should read something like this "ts7c cw 7.000" those who want him can show their dx skills by finding him and working him. No shoting fish in the barrell. Forty will be the exption.

My two cents

Dale K8TS

8903. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-18 20:32:02 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8902 Message: 8903

At 03:54 PM 1/18/2009, you wrote:
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>this "ts7c cw 7.000" those who want him can show their dx skills
>by finding him and working him. No shoting fish in the barrell.
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DX de VE1DX 14000.0 K8TS Thanks for the QSL, Dale! <2025>

Recently most cluster software has been upgraded to support global talk messages to minimise this sort of misuse. In theory one should be able to, from any cluster node, just type TALK K8TS <message> and the software figures out where you are logged on and delivers the message just to you on your home node. That way everyone else doesn't have to see it.

I don't know that a lot of users realise this yet. The intent is to cut down on the abuse of global announcements and BoB DX spots. Anyhow, my 2 cents worth as well.

73, Paul VE1DX

8904. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-18 19:51:35 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8902 Message: 8904
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dale,

Even that would not exhibit much DX skill.

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Spots are crutches for those who can't find DX on their own.

From the French:
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(A hunter who knows how to hunt hunts without his dog)

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7

From: k9ttt@...
Sent: Sunday, January 18, 2009 1:54 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] Spots

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8905. E44M on LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-18 23:00:59 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8905 Message: 8905

E44M QSOs showed up on LoTW in the last few hours.

73, Paul VE1DX

8906. RE: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-19 05:11:29 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 8860 Message: 8906

I don't think they ever got around to turning their beams out this way, oh well, glad I didn't need it for a new one!

I am sure they did a great job to EU/NA/JA and that's where it counts,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Thursday, 15 January 2009 12:13 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

I don't quite get the hubbub about TS7C. 3V8BB has been active in practically every major contest for the last few years, at least. I have them worked and confirmed on all bands except 160 (the ops have done some WARC band operating outside the contests).

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Jan 13, 2009 at 11:37 PM, Lance Martin <lance.martin@...> wrote:

TS7C has been very weak so far in VK. We are hoping they will turn their beams this way towards the end of the trip.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Wednesday, 14 January 2009 1:45 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] TS7C - for those who need him on 40

40 CW, 7020 QSX +5, calling for USA only, 0430 UTC Wednesday (EU asleep, good plan!). Strong signal into East Coast. He worked into Central US as well.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@... <mailto:wd4elg%40arrl.net>
http://wd4elg.net <http://wd4elg.net/>

8907. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-19 15:07:05 UTC
From: Michael Keane K1MK
Topic: 8902 Message: 8907

Once Upon A Time the accepted convention was that "Bottom of the Band"
spot meant "He just called me, you'd better start calling CQ or tuning"

As Paul points out, that's now been superseded by the great unwashed
masses using bottom of the band spots as a substitute for Announces and
Talks

73,
Mike K1MK

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> 73, Paul VE1DX

8908. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-19 15:53:30 UTC
From: DE1DXX@aol.com
Topic: 8902 Message: 8908

Hmmm,
I ever thought the adventure is to WORK (or HEAR for SWLs) the DX
(with the KNOWING HOW TO WORK/HEAR) and not to FIND it.

another 2 cent
vy 73
Andy DO1DXX / DE1DXX

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Von: K0HB <kzerohb@...>
An: DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>; k9ttt@comcast.net
Verschickt: So., 18. Jan. 2009, 20:51
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8909. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-19 16:53:57 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 8902 Message: 8909

I even had to disable WX spots because someone in the Chicago area was driving me crazy with chatter.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE this July from beautiful Miquelon for the IARU contest

--- On Mon, 1/19/09, Michael Keane K1MK <k1mk@...> wrote:

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8910. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-19 17:23:29 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8902 Message: 8910

At 12:53 PM 1/19/2009, you wrote:
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>73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
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Hi Peg, et al,

I had an off-line discussion on this with another list member who felt that is was not DX related. (I certainly feel it is!) The DX Cluster idea was initially a localised tool employing VHF/UHF packet and a few users in the same skip zone. It has grown to a global network with thousands of users who have the ability to communicate with each other instantly. Many abuse this new found power with the BoB spots, announcements, etc. I hadn't encountered the use of the WX command to "chat", but I can see how that would also be a method of communications.

To prevent it from becoming the equivalent of an IRC chat room, thankfully software gurus like AA6YQ, VE7CC (and others) have written great telnet-like applications that we can use to filter out the vast majority of this unwanted material. Even without a special program on your PC, you can disable most of the unwanted chatter at the cluster with things like SET/NOANN, filtering to certain geographical areas, etc. The latest development is the TALK KB9LIE <message> feature that allows inter-node talking between users around the globe without anyone but the sender and recipient seeing it.

We can't control those who are unable or unwilling to stop misusing DX Clusters, but we can customize it for our needs. I tried a number of years ago to filter the daylights out of my node, but as a sysop I soon came to realise that, other than obvious obscenities, I couldn't censor spots without making some users unhappy. The onus is on the user to set the filtering, either on the cluster side or with their client software, to meet their needs.

A small minority feel DX Clusters are cheating or spoon feeding. This is just an up to date version of the old DX net argument. It's been beat to death. I think this is a good topic for discussion (how to get the best use out of a DX Cluster), but we need not drift off as to whether or not we should be using them. All serious DXers today do use DX Clusters. Those who chose not to really shouldn't be criticising the vast majority of us who do.

Anyhow, thanks for the input on the WX command. I hadn't
thought of that one! People can be creative, that's for sure.

73, Paul VE1DX

8911. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-19 18:16:37 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8902 Message: 8911

VE1DX declared:

> All serious DXers today do use DX Clusters.

I guess my "serious DXer" status has been revoked then??

Sunnuvagun!

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7
"Just a boy and his radio."

8912. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-19 18:20:13 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8902 Message: 8912

To each his own. For me, the thrill is in the hunt, tracking them down "in the wild".

Now I'm told that "serious DXers" don't do that.

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7
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From: DE1DXX@...
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 9:53 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Spots

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8913. S21DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-20 00:18:46 UTC
From: Winston Rogers
Topic: 8913 Message: 8913

Wow! The S21DX dxpedition has turned out to be little more than a 40m RTTY operation. Seems they have had antenna, personnel and utility problems.

Win, W0LZ

8914. Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-20 16:41:18 UTC
From: DE1DXX@aol.com
Topic: 8902 Message: 8914

Suggest, erveryone should do it as he likes :-)))

vy 73
Andy DO1DXX / DE1DXX

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Von: K0HB <kzerohb@gmail.com>
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Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 9:53 AM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Hmmm,
I ever thought the adventure is to WORK (or HEAR for SWLs) the DX
(with the KNOWING HOW TO WORK/HEAR) and not to FIND it.

another 2 cent
vy 73
Andy DO1DXX / DE1DXX

-----Ursprüngliche Mitteilung-----
Von: K0HB <kzerohb@gmail.com>
An: DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>; k9ttt@...
Verschickt: So., 18. Jan. 2009, 20:51
Thema: Re: [DX-IS] Spots

Dale,

Even that would not exhibit much DX skill.

Real DXers find their own DX.

Spots are crutches for those who can't find DX on their own.

From the French:
--
Un chasseur sachant chasser chasse sans son chien.
  (A hunter who knows how to hunt hunts without his dog)

73, de Hans, K0HB/W7

Fro m: k9ttt@...

Sent: Sunday, January 18, 2009 1:54 PM

To: DX-IS

Subject: [DX-IS] Spots

In my warped mind, a true DX spot should read something
like this "ts7c cw 7.000" those who want him can show their dx skills by finding him and working him. No shoting fish in the barrell. Forty will be the exption.

My two cents

Dale K8TS

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8915. RE: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-21 02:35:22 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 8902 Message: 8915

Hans, Hans, Hans...

That's just too good a straight line to pass up...

>> Now I'm told that "serious DXers" don't do that.
That only means you're in a class by yourself!

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73

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From: "K0HB" kzerohb@... kzerohb
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 11:20 AM ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Spots

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73, de Hans, K0HB/W7
"Just a boy and his radio."

8916. RE: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-21 16:45:51 UTC
From: kq6i@arrl.net
Topic: 8902 Message: 8916

[Still, I've reached the point where I don't even look at the spots anymore.] amateur radio was better
before sliced bread.

Craig
kq6i
Peace, long-life, and gud DX!
-----Original Message-----
From: Ron Notarius W3WN [mailto:wn3vaw@...]
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 7:35 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Spots

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Yahoo! Groups Links

8917. Number 11

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-21 21:47:10 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8917 Message: 8917

Paul - didn't see any congrats here so congratulations!
rene

Jan 21, 2009: Triple Play Winners as of 21 January, 2009 -- 1
W2YC
Dave Strout
2009-01-15

2
W7JW
Jeff Wheeler
2009-01-16

3
VA3DX
Glenn Wyant
2009-01-17

4
N1BAA
Jose Castillo
2009-01-17

5
W1EQ
Robert Garceau
2009-01-18

6
KØTI
Dan Karg
2009-01-19

7
K3SEW
Ron Klock
2009-01-20

8
NU8Z
Ken Hinkleman
2009-01-20

9
W5QP
Richard Henry
2009-01-20

10
K1YA
Steve Hunt
2009-01-21

11
VE1DX
Paul Dunphy
2009-01-21

12
K9WZB
Garry Fisher
2009-01-21

13
K9RS
Ray Sokola
2009-01-21

14
WB2KSK
Mike Herzog
2009-01-21

8918. new on-line ham radio mag

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-22 00:53:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8918 Message: 8918

I've just received the second issue of a new magazine published in France and distributed on-line. There's a lot of interesting information, including an article on the "European problem" by a well-known YO DXer. I think it is worth reading, and identifying the North Americans and Europeans you know who fall into the bad operator categories.

Here's the site: http://www.ham-mag.com

8919. RE: [DX-IS] Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-22 04:36:54 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 8902 Message: 8919

"amateur radio was better before sliced bread."

I sure hope that's your own opinion, Craig. It's not mine and that's not what I meant.

My point was that the misuse of the cluster system, both in terms of the way spots are posted and the way too many would-be DX'ers use the posts, makes it generally useless to me IMHO. That's all.

And that's just for chasing DX. More power to those who can use the cluster in a contest these days to their advantage; for the most part, I find it more distracting than useful. But that's another thread for another day on another reflector.

73

-----Original Message-----
From: "kq6i@..." kq6i@...
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:45 am ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Spots

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8920. Solar flux

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-22 22:42:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8920 Message: 8920

Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 22 Jan 069
Predicted 23 Jan-25 Jan 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 22 Jan 069

Pretty much the same as it was for the last 10-12 months.

73, Paul VE1DX

8921. ARLD003 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-22 23:00:19 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8921 Message: 8921

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD003
ARLD003 DX news

ZCZC AE03
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 3 ARLD003
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 22, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD003
ARLD003 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

GEORGIA, 4L. Team members 4L2M, 4L5DJ and 4L4CC will be QRV as 4L0G in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest as a Multi Op entry. QSL via operators' instructions.

UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS, 4U1UN. Johnny, LA5IIA, will be QRV as 4U1UN in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest for a few hours late Friday and for a few hours during the day on Saturday. QSL via HB9BOU.

BAHAMAS, C6. Tom, C6ANM is QRV until April 1. He plans to be active with other operators in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. He is normally active on 160 to 6 meters. QSL direct via WA2IYO.

CUBA, CO. Look for Juan, CO8TW to be active in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. QSL via HB9SVT.

MOROCCO, CN. Team members CN8WK, IK2QEI, IV3ZXQ and IK1HJS will be QRV as CN3A as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. QSL via I2WIJ.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. RD3AF plans to be QRV as EF8M in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. This includes activity in the upcoming ARRL DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

ESTONIA, ES. Operators ES5TV, ES2RR, ES2MC, ES5JR and ES5RY will be QRV as ES9C in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest as a Multi op entry. QSL via ES5RY.

WALLIS AND FUTUNA ISLANDS, FW. A small group of operators will be QRV as FW5RE from Wallis Island, IOTA OC-054, from January 28 to

February 17. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with two stations active simultaneously. QSL via HA8IB.

SAN ANDRES AND PROVIDENCIA, HK0. Cal, WF5W, Mike, K5UO and Roberto, HK3CW are QRV as 5K0CW from San Andres Island, IOTA NA-033, until January 28. This includes an entry in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest as a Multi op entry. Outside the contest they are active on all bands using mostly CW and RTTY. QSL via W5PF.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Masa, JA6GXK will be QRV as JD1BMM from Marcus Island from January 24 to February 9. In addition, look for Kingo, JK1PCN to be QRV as JD1BND. Activity is in their spare time. QSL JD1BMM via operator's instructions and JD1BND via JK1PCN.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Look for DF1LON to be active from LX7I during the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. QSL via LX2A.

TURKEY, TA. Look for TA3D to be a Single Op/Low Power entry in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest.

GABON, TR. Roland, TR50R is usually active on 30 meters during his evening time. QSL via F6AJA.

KALININGRAD, UA2. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be QRV as RK2FWA from during CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. QSL via DK4VW.

BELIZE, V3. Gerd, DJ4KW and Gisela, DK9GG are QRV as V31YN and V31GW, respectively, until March. They also plan to be active as V31YN/p from Water Caye, IOTA NA-180, from February 26 to March 3. QSL to home calls.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Members of the Waverley Amateur Radio Society will be QRV using special callsign VI2BV90 from January 24 to February 1 in celebration of the club's 90th anniversary. QSL via bureau.

BERMUDA, VP9. Jeff, N1SNB will be QRV as VP9/N1SNB from January 22 to 25. This includes being a Single Op/Low Power entry in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. QSL to home call.

INDIA, VU. Operators VU2FI, VU2LU, VU3ITI, VU2JHM and VU2ZUB will be QRV as special event station AT8FD from Tamil Nadu from January 24 to 26.

MEXICO, XE. Look for 160 Meter club station XE1RCS to be an entry in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

UK SOVEREIGN BASE AREAS ON CYPRUS, ZC. David, G0OAB is QRV as ZC4DG in his spare time for about two weeks. He is generally active on 20 meters using SSB and possibly CW after 0300z. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide 160-Meter CW Contest, BARTG RTTY Sprint, NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint, NCCC Sprint, YL-ISSB SSB QSO Party, REF CW Contest, MIE 33 CW Contest, UBA SSB DX

Contest, SPAR Winter Field Day will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for January 28. Please see January QST, page 82, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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8922. PJ7/FS DXpedition Feb. 4-11

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 00:26:36 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 8922 Message: 8922

PJ7/FS DXpedition to the Caribbean

The "Buddies in the Caribbean" DX group which specializes in 100 watt or low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna system is off again to a new DXpedition site Feb. 4-11.

This time the group will be operating at different times from BOTH the French and Dutch side of St. Bartholomey Island FS/PJ7. Various modes including phone, RTTY, and CW will be on the air, along with "golf cart mobile", or "bicycle mobile" operations and other unique operational situations. Each of the operators has extensive experience operating from "unique" locations or various DXCC entities.

In 2007, four of the eight operators on the 2009 DXpedition were part of the Montseratt VP2M Buddipole DXpedition.

The DXpedition headquarters will be at Villa Ait Na Greine on the French side of the island. The heaquarters (http://villaaitnagreine.com) is perched on top of a cliff overlooking the Caribbean with excellent take off angles toward North America and Europe. There will be other sites on the island, both on the French and Dutch sides, where operations will occur giving DXers a chance to work two separate DXCC countries.

The group's goal will be to work stations from all over the world using Buddipole™ antennas and other newly-developed Buddipole™ antenna accessory products. The operation will be the week before the Orlando Hamfest and two weeks before the KP5 DXpedition. Operators will be using FS/homecall and PJ7/homecall and plans call for contacts to be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL, and an on-line log. Those wanting hard copy QSLs should send a S.A.E. and appropriate return postage or an SASE to the homecalls of the operator(s) you've worked.

The "Buddies in the Caribbean" blog page will be http://caribbeanbuddies.blogspot.com/

The group consists of the following operators:

K8EAB Weymouth Walker who's operated from Jamaica as well as motels, high rise apartment buildings, a pontoon boat, mountain tops, and even "picnic table" portable during his 52 year ham career.

KC4VG Mike Greenwood was a member of the BUM's Montersatt group in 2007 as VP2MVG and has been licensed more than 25 years. He also has operated from the Bahamas C6 and other Caribbean locales. Unique QTHs have included operations from Alcatraz Island in the USA, a cruise ship, and the Marconi station on Cape Cod. He specializes in low power SSB operations. Many DXers have run into Mike at the Buddipole booth at the Dayton Hamvention where he helps Chris and Budd out with sales.

N7UN Guy Hamblen has operated from such unusual locales as the Appalachian Trail and from the top of several of Colorado's 14,000 ft. peaks. Previously he was K7YYK, AA7QZ, and his current call of N7UN. He has 334 DXCC countries confirmed.

KB9AVO Paul Van Dyke was a member of the 2007 Buddipole Montseratt DXpedition and held the VP2MVO call. He is a frequent contester as part of the KP4US contest team in Abonito PR. He

will be specializing in PSK, RTTY, and Slow Scan tv on FS/PJ7. He is also founding president of the Indiana-Michigan-Ohio Skywarn Association.

WW5L Tom Anderson is an avid DXer and has held the following DX calls since the 1980s: V31EF (Belize), G0/WW5L (UK), 7P8TA (Lesotho), and C91TL (Mozambique). He is on the DXCC Honor Roll and has also operated from the Battleship Missouri, KH6BB, at Pearl Harbor HI. He was a K2BSA staff member and radio merit badge counselor at the 1997 National Boy Scout Jamboree and has been invited back as a K2BSA staff member for the 2010 Centennial National BSA Jamboree. He is also planning on operating as HB9/WW5L from the Kandersteg World Boy Scout Camp in Switzerland in July.

N0TU Steve Galcchutt is a long time CW operator on Straight Key Night and enjoys "mountain top operation" as he's operated from several of Colorado's 14,000 ft. peaks. QRP CW operations are his main interest. He will also be the group's resident videographer - you may have seen his videos on YouTube under the pen name "the Goat Guy."

W3FF Budd Drummond is one of the principals in Buddipole. His main interest lies in making portable, "bicycle mobile", "golf cart mobile", and "walking" HF contacts from whatever location he finds himself in. Budd was one of the members of the 2007 Buddipole Montseratt DXpedition. His web page is http://www.qsl.net/W3FF. In September 2004 Budd worked every continent using 50 watts on his "bicycle mobile" and has logged more than 5,000 QSOs as "walking mobile" station.

W6HFP Chris Drummond is the president of Buddipole and his main interest, naturally, is HF portable operating and "lightweight" DXpeditions to remote locations. An avid backpacker and outdoorsman, Chris works to design products that will live up to his demanding expectations for rugged and versatile equipment for HF operating in the field. He was also a member of the VP2V Montseratt DXpedition with callsign VP2MHFP.

About the antennas: the Buddipole antenna system is designed to be a lightweight and versatile way to put an efficient station on the air in minutes in almost any terrain. By utilizing an interchangeable series of custom-made components the user is able to configure dozens of antenna designs optimized for their particular operating needs. The group to St. Martin expects to operate dipoles in various configurations, verticals, vertical beams, mini-yagis, and other antennas using only Buddipole parts. Several new products will make their debut including a lightweight rotor, super cap power supply, LifePo4 battery packs, folding capacity hats, and shockcorded masts.

8923. Re: [DX-IS] Solar flux

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 01:19:57 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8920 Message: 8923

At 06:49 PM 1/22/2009, you wrote:
>If I recall correctly, according to the predictions there won't be
>much of an upswing for most of this year
>I've been trying to copy the little "pirate beacons" in the
>southwest USA around 4095 kHz for a few weeks. I remember last
>winter I heard quite a few much stronger than this winter. Some I
>haven't heard at all this winter. Most of these run half a watt or
>less from mystery locations in the desert.
>
>73, Zack W9SZ

I'm not a person who monitors beacons or the like, Zack, but I can tell you that even the low bands are not as good as they were last year. 40M used to be good to Europe (at least for us hear on the east coast) for 4-5 hours after dark. Now we are lucky to get a couple of hours.

80M is still OK late into the night, but the edge seems to be off of both 10 and 160. They are open all night most nights, but the long haul stuff isn't there. It might be that there is a "phase lag" (for lack of a better term) in that the ionosphere cools off slowly and it's taken until now for the reduction in UV radiation to really kick in.

The few sunspots we have seen this fall are certainly classified by the experts as having Cycle 24 polarity and they are high latitude. I believe the last sun "speck" of a day or two ago was classified as a Cycle 23 one, but as I understand it, they overlap. It it was close to the equator and only lasted a day or so. The concern is rate at which the new spots are showing up. This isn't like the beginning of previous cycles, at least not like ones when we had the technology to accurately measure things like we have had for the past 50 years or so.

My optimistic pal, VE1TK, but up a 5 element monobander last August, confident he's get a lot of use out of it this winter. So far he has been disappointed.

73, Paul VE1DX

8924. Re: [DX-IS] Solar flux - Correction

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 02:20:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8924 Message: 8924

> My optimistic pal, VE1TK, but up a 5 element monobander last August,
> confident he's get > a lot of use out of it this winter. So far he has
> been disappointed.

That's a 10M monobander, if anyone cares!

73, Paul VE1DX

8925. [425ENG] 425 DX News #925

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 16:34:45 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8925 Message: 8925

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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4K - Once again Axel, DL6KVA will be active as 4K0CW from Vlad's (4K9W) QTH on 19-25 March, between the local evening hours (Azerbaijan is UTC +4) on the 19th and the local midday on the 25th. He will operate CW only on all the HF bands, with 100 watts and a 84-metre longwire, and will take part in the Russian DX Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX DL6KVA]
4U1UN - Johnny, NQ2G (LA5IIA) will be active for a few hours from 4U1UN, the UN Headquarters station, during the CQ WW 160M CW Contest. He is likely to operate a bit at the beginning of the contest and then again on Saturday, "for about six hours in total". QSL via HB9BOU. [TNX The Daily DX]
7Q - Harry, 7Q7HB is going back to Malawi for around two months. He will have to replace the broken rotator and repair the amplifier, then hopefully he will be QRV again. His preferred modes are PSK, RTTY and CW (SSB on request). QSL via G0IAS, direct only. [TNX G0IAS]
C9 - Bill/K5WAF, Dale/KG5U, Jim/N4AL, Madison/W5MJ, Paul/W5PF and Cal/WF5W will be active on 160-10 metres from Bilene, Mozambique from 25 March to 5 April, CQ WW WPX SSB contest included. They will have three stations (SSB, CW and digital modes) with two amplifiers, log periodics for 10-20 metres and vertical for the other bands. The QSL route for all their C9 callsigns (TBA) is via W5PF. Further information and on-line logs at http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html. [TNX W5PF]
CT3 - Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active again as CT3/DL3KWR and CT3/DL3KWF from Madeira (AF-014) on 5-19 March. They plan to operate mostly CW and on 12, 17 and 30 metres. Hardy will also give RTTY and PSK-31 a try. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@... or dl3kwf@... respectively. Their web site is at http://www.mydarc.de/dl3kwr [TNX DL3KWF]
CY0 - Randy/N0TG, Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK will be active as homecall/CY0 from Sable Island (NA-063) on 7-14 October. They plan

to have three complete HF stations, with three verticals, one "strategically placed" yagi and at least one wire antenna, and to operate SSB and CW on 160-10 metres, with an emphasis on Asia. Twenty metres are likely to provide most contacts, and they will try to have two stations (CW and SSB) on that band at the same time. QSL via home calls. The website for the expedition is at http://www.cy0dxpedition.com/ [TNX NG3K]

FS/PJ7 - The "Buddies in the Caribbean" DX group, which specializes in 100 watt or low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna system, is off again to a new DXpedition. Wey/K8EAB, Paul/KB9AVO, Mike/KC4VG, Steve/N0TU, Guy/N7UN, Budd/W3FF, Chris/W6HFP and Tom/WW5L will operate SSB, CW and RTTY as FS/homecall (St. Martin) and PJ7/homecall (Sint Maarten) on 4-11 February. Their main QTH will be on the French side of the island. QSL via home calls. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. The group has a blog page at http://caribbeanbuddies.blogspot.com/ [TNX WW5L]

GM - The Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC will be active as GB250RB from 25 January through the end of the year to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, Scotland's national poet and cultural icon. A website is being constructed at http://www.gb250rb.co.uk/

GM - Jim, MM0BQI will be active as Jim, MM0BQI/p from Lunga Island in the Treshnish Islands (EU-108) on 24-27 April. He will run 100 watts to verticals down by the seaside, and to be active on 20, 40 and 80 metres using CW, SSB and if time permits a bit of digi modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Jim will upload the logs to LoTW. [TNX MM0BQI]

H40 - Siegfried, DK9FN provides further information on his 2-16 March activity as from Lata, Nendo Island (OC-100), Temotu Province [425DXN 923]. He hopes to get the same callsign he used back in 1999 (H40FN), and will operate CW only, while Bernhard, DL2GAC (H44MS) will work SSB as H40MS and Herrmann, DL2NUD will be on 2m EME (H40 callsign to be issued). They will have three separate stations with amplifiers. Siegfried thinks he will concentrate on 160-30 metres, as the current propagation predictions do not promise anything good on the higher bands. QSL H40FN via HA8FW: all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, for those who need a direct card the address is Mihaly Bela, Csongradi SGT. 122/A, H-6724 Szeged, Hungary. Further information on this activity, including details on the antennas to be used, can be found at www.hari-ham.com/h40fn [TNX DK9FN]

JD1_mt - Masa, JA6GXK (JD1BMM) and Kingo, JK1PCN (JD1BND) will be active from Minami-Torishima (OC-073) from 24 January to 9 February. They plan to be QRV in their spare time on a daily basis. QSL JD1BMM via JD1BMM, direct (Masafumi Ishihara, 2-305 Loran, 2-5-35 Miyazaki, Chuo-ku, Chiba, 260-0806 Japan) or through the JARL bureau. QSL JD1BND via bureau to JD1BND. [TNX The Daily DX]

PA - The PA3FKN PACC Team will be active from the island of Ameland (EU-038) during the annual Dutch PACC Contest (http://pacc.veron.nl/) on 14-15 February. Twelve operators will

be active in the multi-multi category, with a wide range of antennas (including 2 phased verticals for 160m, 4 square dipoles for 80m and 4 square verticals for 40m). Further information and updates can be found at http://www.dx.to [TNX PG5M]
SV9 - Willi, DJ7RJ will operate SSB and CW as SV9/DJ7RJ from Crete (EU-015) for three weeks starting on 24 February. QSL via home call. [TNX AA1M]
V6 - Yuki, JH1NBN has been on a business trip to Micronesia since 19 January and is expected to be there until the first week of February. He will be visiting three islands - namely Pohnpei (OC-010), Kosrae (OC-059) and Chuuk (OC-011) - and he hopes to be able to operate in his spare time, possibly as V63AQ. [TNX The Daily DX]
VP8_sg - Lars, MM0DWF (DL9LB) will return to South Georgia (AN-007) in February, and expects to operate again as VP8DIF during his limited spare time. He will have a new soundcard interface, so he might try some RTTY, "but no promises". QSL via DJ9ZB, direct or bureau. Further information, including log search, can be found at http://www.lars-boehme.de/vp8dif/index.html
XT - Michael, F1IQH will be active again as XT2WC from Burkina-Faso starting on 25 January for two weeks. He plans to operate mainly on 20 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX F5NQL]
YN - Andrei, NP3D (EW1AR) will be active again as H7/NP3D and YN2/EW1AR from Nicaragua on 11-15 February, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest as YN2S. He will operate CW and RTTY, with some SSB. QSL via NP3D (direct) or W3HNK or RW6HS (for Russia and CIS countries). The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX RW6HS]
YV0 - The 4M5DX Group's expedition to Aves Island (NA-020) [425DXN 916] is scheduled to take place in March, hopefully for a full week. A large team of operators will be active as YW0A on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via IT9DAA (diret or bureau), or LoTW. Bookmark http://yw0a.4m5dx.info for updates.
ZS - A group of South African amateurs will participate in the CQWW WPX SSB contest (28-29 March) as ZT2V from the East Cape Province. It will be a Multi-2 entry from the QTH of Donovan, ZS2DL. Other participating operators include ZS2ACP, ZS2DK, ZS2EZ, ZS2GV, ZS2HK and ZS2Y, plus an eighth one to be selected. QSL via NI5DX. [TNX NI5DX]
ZS8 - Latest information posted on http://zs8t.net/ indicate that Petrus, ZS8T has renewed his licence and "showed on 20 meters last weekend for a few QSOs". There is not any sound information about his operating plans, but in an interview released on 20 January Petrus said that "for the next two or three months I will basically try being on the air as much as possible" (listen to the interview on the website).

SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR ---> Witek, SP9MRO and his wife Danuta, SP9SX will be active holiday style as ZP6/SP9MRO from Paraguay between 21 February and 3 March, and from Uruguay on 4-14 March. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY, with main activity to be concentrated during the weekends and the

local night hours. [TNX SP9MRO]

CQ WW 160-METER DX CONTEST (CW) ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs around the world to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries as possible on 160 metres CW (http://cq160.com/rules.htm). The following stations have announced their partecipation in this year's event (from 22.00 UTC on 23 January through 22.00 UTC on the 25th):

Call	DXCC	QSL via
4L0G	Georgia	EA7FTR
4Z5J	Israel	W0MM
4U1UN	United Nations HQ	HB9BOU
5K0CW	San Andres & Providencia	W5PF
6W/DL2RMC	Senegal	DL1RTL
A71BX	Qatar	EA7FTR
C6ANM	Bahamas	WA2IYO
CE1/K7CA	Chile	NW7O
CN3A	Morocco	I2WIJ
CO8TW	Cuba	HB9SVT
CT9M	Madeira Isls	CT3EE
CU8A	Azores	CT1GFK
DP3D	Germany	DK3KD
E71A	Bosnia-Herzegovina	E71A
E7DX	Bosnia-Herzegovina	E77E
ED5T	Spain	EA5ELT
EF8M	Canary Isls	RD3AF
ER0/UT0FT	Moldova	UT0FT
ER0FEO	Moldova	UU0JM
ES9C	Estonia	ES5RY
EY8MM	Tajikistan	K1BV
HQ9R	Honduras	K5WW
LX7I	Luxembourg	LX2A
LY7A	Lithuania	LY2ZO
MD4K	Isle of Man	G3NKC
NP4A	Puerto Rico	W3HNK
OH8X	Finland	OH2UA
OM8A	Slovakia	OM2VL
RK2FWA	Kaliningrad	DK4VW
SK7DX	Sweden	SM7DXQ
SN1I	Poland	SP1NQF
TA3D	Turkey	TA3D
UA2FW	Kaliningrad	UA2FW
UU7J	Ukraine	UU0JM
UW2M	Ukraine	UR0MC
VP9/N1SNB	Bermuda	N1SNB
XE1RCS	Mexico	XE1RCS
XU7ACY	Cambodia	W2EN
XW1B	Laos	E21EIC
ZF1A	Cayman Islands	W8BLA

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained

by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160c2009.html- good contest to you all!

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CLOSING LOGS ---> Dianna, KB6NAN is closing the logs for the following operations by the late Chuck Brady, N4BQW: VP5/N4BQW (2005, the log is on LoTW) and N4BQW/KH9 (Wake Island 2002 and 2003, paper logs). Dianna will keep these logs open for one more month. [TNX The Daily DX]

DX AWARDS ---> The K1BV DX Awards Directory is a 324-page book listing the rules for 3312 different awards from 119 countries. Some 150 new awards have been added, dead awards have been removed and hundreds of changes in addresses/rules/fees have been made in the 2009 Edition. For further information please visit http://www.dxawards.com/2009edition.htm

E44M ---> After fixing a glitch in the ADIF file, the logs for the recent operation from Palestine have been uploaded to LoTW. Should you have problems, please contact the QSL manager (qsle44m@...).

IOTA HONOUR ROLL ---> The deadline for the 2009 IOTA Honour Roll and Annual Listing is approaching. Applications or updates submitted online (www.rsgbiota.org) on or before 1 February will count for the 2009 tables so long as the supporting cards sent to checkpoints are postmarked no later than that date. Updates postmarked after 1 February will be processed in the normal way but scores will be held over to a later listing.

LOGS ---> Alex, RV1ZC is now active as R1ANC from Vostok base in Antarctica. Please visit http://www.qrz.com/r1anc for further information and on-line log, which is updated several times a week. [TNX RN1ON]

MOST WANTED SURVEY ---> The DX Magazine's (http://www.dxpub.com) annual Most Wanted Survey was conducted in September-October 2008 [425DXN 904]. The top 10 DXCC Entities are North Korea (P5), Yemen (7O), Navassa KP1), Glorioso FR/G), Marion (ZS8), Desecheo (KP5), Bouvet (3Y), Heard (VK0), Crozet (FT5W) and Amsterdam & St. Paul (FT5Z). Give a look at the 100 Most Wanted listing, which also shows the results of the 2007 survey for comparison, at http://www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html. The complete breakdown by continent is available in the January/February 2009 issue of "The DX Magazine"; a breakdown by mode as well as a listing for the low bands will be published in the March/April 2009 issue.

OH8X ---> The group at Radio Arcala will hit 160 metres with a 39-ton (80.000 lbs) 3-element full-size monster during the week of 19 January, culminating with the CQWW 160M Contest. OH8X is to be manned by OH2IW and OH6KN, still in a limited capacity while valuable data will be gathered in this first assault. Their partners for measurement purposes will be the

sister station CU2X operated by OH2BH/CU2KG and, in close proximity, the associate stations OH0E operated by OH2MM, and OG2P operated by OH2PM. Radio Arcala is cooperating with the University of Oulu in several areas of HF propagation study. They also welcome and acknowledge field reports (oh1wz@...). You may read about details of the monster construction at http://www.helsinki.fi/~korpela/PU/PU.html and study the overall mission at www.radioarcala.com. QSL for OH8X via OH2UA, CU2X via OH2BH, OG2P via OH2PM and OH0E via OH2MM. [TNX OH2BN]

QRZ INDIA ---> An amateur radio callsign database with all available details of licensed operators in India (some 11,000 callsigns at the moment, but the list in growing) can be found at http//:www.qrz.co.in [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL FM1HN ---> Buzz, NI5DX, is now the QSL manager for Julien, FM1HN. Buzz will be able to confirm any QSOs that are in Julien's log - he already has the logs, but is awaiting QSL cards. At the present time, QSLs for the special call (TO1YR) still go to FM1HN either direct or via the bureau. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

+ SILENT KEYS + Tadeusz "Teddy" Barczyk (DL4DBR, ex SP9ERC) passed away on 2 January. On a weelchair since he was 17 years old, "he was a man who lived his life to the fullest despite his handicap", Kazik (PT5ZHP) says. He was the QSL manager for a few stations, including PT5ZHP and VK6DXI (aka 9M8DX, 9V1XE, 7X0DX, etc).
Zedan Hussein Abbas, JY3ZH passed away on 20 January. An amateur radio operator for forty years, he was the net controller of the well known "Arabian Knights Net" (14252 kHz) established by the late King Hussein (JY1) in the early Seventies.
Other recently reported Silent Keys include Dennis J. Wills (AK5D), Walter H. Kirst (HB9AQL), Laban Davis (VO1HLD), Donald L. Doughty (W6EEN), Donald G. Lemley (W8DL) and Christian Favier (F5OKD), who passed away on 22 January at only 46 years of age.

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8926. [425ENG] 425 DX News #925 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 16:53:54 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8926 Message: 8926

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lighthouse, etc.

8927. CQWW 160 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 18:19:22 UTC
From: OE8SOQ Helmut
Topic: 8927 Message: 8927

Hello group and greetings from Nuremberg,

there is another participant in the upcoming 160 m contest, transmitting
from southernmost Germany, (Bad Toelz).

http://www.darc.de/c07/projekte/winterbilder_dk0iw/index2.html

As there is no english description..... its a lambda 1/4 vertical..... and
about 3300 feet (1000m) of counterweight, located up on a hilltop, but see
the pics yourself.

This is a former radio beacon for international aviation, used for aproach
to Munich and Salzburg. Now the local Radio Club has aquired the aera there.

Good luck to all that participate.

vy 73 and good DX

Helmut

DG7DXX + OE8SOQ

8928. ARLP004 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 18:59:29 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 470 Message: 8928

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP004
ARLP004 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP04
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 4 ARLP004
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 23, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP004
ARLP004 Propagation de K7RA

Monday revealed another shy sunspot. Sunspot 1011 appeared suddenly, then it was gone. Its configuration and location did not identify it as a Cycle 23 or Cycle 24 spot. On Monday, January 19 the sunspot number was 13.

Geomagnetic conditions continued to be very quiet, and yesterday, Thursday, January 22 was another exceptionally quiet day, similar to January 12, and December 28-30. You can check the web site http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt to see all those zeroes.

This bodes well for the CQ World Wide 160-Meter CW Contest this weekend. The Planetary A index is predicted to be at 5 until January 27-31, when the predicted values are 10, 8, 5, 8 and 5.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet geomagnetic activity January 23-25, quiet to unsettled January 26, unsettled January 27, quiet to unsettled January 28, and back to quiet by January 29.

Note in our data at the end of the bulletin we do not have solar flux resolved to a tenth of a point as we usually do. Thursday night and Friday morning we have not been able to access the data from the observatory in Penticton, so these are the numbers provided from NOAA.

Another hiccup in the data stream this week was on Thursday afternoon, when a geo-alert message via email from Australia's IPS Radio and Space Services (on the web at, http://www.ips.gov.au/) turned out to be a vicious anti-Semitic screed broadcast during a security breach. I phoned the duty forecaster in Sydney, New South Wales, who verified it was a security problem which their IT staff was investigating. You can subscribe to these alerts via their web page at, http://www.ips.gov.au/mailman/listinfo/ips-geo-warning.

Among many interesting web pages they have is one devoted to sunspot numbers, both past and predicted, at http://www.ips.gov.au/Solar/1/6.

Still another reporting glitch this week was from NOAA with the daily 45 day prediction of solar flux values and planetary A index. These are issued daily, and are available at, http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html. On some days they will issue more than one report if their forecast changes. But on Tuesday, January 20 the report at 2059z had four more reports until 0039z, and all of them appeared to contain identical data. We contacted Viola Raben at the Space Weather Prediction Center, who said the Air Force (which NOAA collaborates with on this forecast) had a glitch which caused the posting of an additional forecast every time they tested something in their system.

Steve Friis, WM5Z of Las Cruces, New Mexico reminded us of a nifty Firefox web browser extension that fetches solar indices automatically and displays them in the lower-right information bar. It is called "Propfire," and Steve notes that you can install it in Firefox by clicking on Tools at the top, then Add-ons.

In the search field enter Propfire, and N0HR Propfire will display. Clicking "Add to Firefox" installs it. Firefox is an open source web browser similar to Microsoft's Internet Explorer, but it is produced free by a community of programmers, similar to the way the Linux operating system is built and maintained. You can download Firefox at, http://www.mozilla.com/en-US/firefox/.

When I set it up, I noticed that it has an option to display current sunspot number in addition to the usual solar flux, A and K index.

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia reported disappointing conditions last Saturday, January 17. He wrote, "It seemed like the worst day I can remember for low solar activity, long skip zones, and early closure of 20M to EU. I took part in the HA DX contest and by about 1610Z, only a very few Europeans were left on 20M. Before that, signals were much weaker than normal, but some Moscow area stations were heard around 1300Z as well as Scandinavia, so there was no big disturbance. Then, the NAQP SSB started (North American QSO Party, sponsored by National Contest Journal) at 1800Z and skip zones were very long, only CA/OR were worked on 15M and 20M was the worst ever probably in NAQP with TX about the closest state that could be worked most of the day."

Jeff continues, "I worked two very loud unfluttery KL7s on 20 and loud VE7s, so the K had to be low. 40 was skipping over most of New England by about 2030Z (1-1/2 hours before sunset) and the closest signals to the south were in SC. Conditions did rebound a bit on Sunday and there was some sporadic E to the NW at times. I was able to work W0GXQ/M (a very hearty soul, not a necessary trip, just putting out counties for the county hunters) on 40 thru 10M from one county line in central ND around 16Z, and we made 15M a couple of

times. I heard MI loud around 21Z on 20M. There may have been an Es opening on 6M in the VHF SS, but I didn't take part."

Early this morning, January 23, Jeff followed up with, "Things seem much better this week with 2 nights of openings to EU on 30M at sunset as opposed to nothing after 1700-1800Z from EU in quite a few days. 160 was in great shape early Friday today with UA9MA, OY9JD (loud), 4Z5KJ, several UA3/4s working as far as AZ, and HA3MU S9 + 15 db in the 0100Z hour, SM4CAN was also S9+. And I worked 4S7NE on 80 CW at the same time."

An interesting email about possible meteor scatter communications on 60 meters arrived from Larry Jones, K5ZRK who operates next to Tallahalla Swamp in Sandersville, which is in southern Mississippi, about 31.78 degrees north latitude.

Larry wrote, "I operate only 60 meters and only operate QRP! I do a LOT of operating and run a lot of skeds, therefore propagation is VERY important. I use a quarter-wave vertical antenna insulated from ground, with 120 quarter wavelength radials, and all those are tied into a 1.6 acre chain link fence surrounding my property. I also use a 60 meter inverted-V on transmit when I am working close in stations. I use a LOW 60 meter inverted-V on receive so that I can reduce the noise and the preamp on my Icom 703."

Larry continues, "Frequently during skeds at night I hear what seems to be meteor burst. I also hear these early in the morning when working the gray line. This is not always the case so that makes me wonder if there are meteor bursts on 60 meters."

He goes on to say, "I was an avid meteor scatter operator back in the early 90s with my old call WB5KYK and I ran on 6, 2 and 432 but I sit there for hours listening to this when running skeds on 60 meters. I can remember on 6 meters I would get upset when there was E-skip during a meteor shower because the E-skip would ruin the shower, I would be working E-skip instead of meteor scatter. The propagation on this band is fascinating to me, the gray line is phenomenal on this band and running QRP (10 watts on SSB) I have worked into Hawaii, and California is not hard. Skeds are so interesting on this band but this phenomenon I am observing has me puzzled because it sounds like meteor scatter. If it isn't, then what is it? This can be a useful tool if I can just figure out what it is AND to further give you something to think about. I observe this even more so during meteor showers and during the early morning hours (1100-1239z which is when meteors are prevalent)."

Interesting information, and it makes sense that ionized trails from meteors could provide a sporadic-E like propagation path, even on 60 meters. Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA commented that meteor scatter has been detected at 2 MHz, and pointed out a PhD thesis titled "Medium Frequency Radar Studies of Meteors," by Stephen I. Grant, July 2003 at the University Of Adelaide Department Of Physics that describes

this.

In a subsequent email, K5ZRK wrote, "Next month there will be two showers that are classed as medium showers. I HOPE to set up some skeds for both. I think one of the things that is interesting about meteor scatter on 60 meters is the antenna issue. What would be the best antenna for meteor scatter on this band? I feel this is something we will learn by experience and this band is not old enough yet for us to know what is going to work best, especially when it comes to propagation. It seems it would be somewhere between the propagation on 80 and 40 meters, but I have found this band to be a totally different creature!"

Finally, Spaceweather.com has a fun tool for displaying a graph of 11 years of smoothed sunspot numbers, centered on any date you choose, going back over 250 years. What was sunspot activity like when you were born? Check it out at, http://www.spaceweather.com/glossary/sunspotplotter.htm.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for January 15 through 21 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 13, 0, and 0 with a mean of 1.9. 10.7 cm flux was 71, 71, 72, 71, 71, 70, and 69 with a mean of 70.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 2, 2, 2, 9, 3 and 2 with a mean of 3.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 2, 2, 2, 7, 1 and 2 with a mean of 2.9.
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8929. PJ7/FS DXpedition Feb. 4-11

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-23 19:33:30 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 8922 Message: 8929

Corrects DXCC Island name--my mistake in typing--Tom-WW5L

The "Buddies in the Caribbean" DX group which
specializes in 100 watt or low power radios and the
Buddipole portable antenna system is off again to a new
DXpedition site Feb. 4-11.

This time the group will be operating at different times
from BOTH the French and Dutch side of St. Martin
Island FS/PJ7. Various modes including phone, RTTY, and CW
will be on the air, along with "golf cart mobile",
or "bicycle mobile" operations and other unique
operational situations. Each of the operators has extensive
experience operating from "unique" locations or
various DXCC entities.

In 2007, four of the eight operators on the 2009 DXpedition
were part of the Montseratt VP2M Buddipole DXpedition.

The DXpedition headquarters will be at Villa Ait Na Greine
on the French side of the island. The heaquarters
(http://villaaitnagreine.com) is perched on top of a cliff
overlooking the Caribbean with excellent take off angles
toward North America and Europe. There will be other sites
on Saint Martin island, both on the French and Dutch sides, where
operations will occur giving DXers a chance to work two
separate DXCC countries.

The group's goal will be to work stations from all over
the world using Buddipole™ antennas and other
newly-developed Buddipole™ antenna accessory products.
The operation will be the week before the Orlando Hamfest
and two weeks before the KP5 DXpedition. Operators will be
using FS/homecall and PJ7/homecall and plans call for
contacts to be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL, and an on-line log.
Those wanting hard copy QSLs should send a S.A.E. and
appropriate return postage or an SASE to the homecalls of
the operator(s) you've worked.

The "Buddies in the Caribbean" blog page will be
http://caribbeanbuddies.blogspot.com/

The group consists of the following operators:

K8EAB Weymouth Walker who's operated from Jamaica as
well as motels, high rise apartment buildings, a pontoon
boat, mountain tops, and even "picnic table"

portable during his 52 year ham career.

KC4VG Mike Greenwood was a member of the BUM's Montersatt group in 2007 as VP2MVG and has been licensed more than 25 years. He also has operated from the Bahamas C6 and other Caribbean locales. Unique QTHs have included operations from Alcatraz Island in the USA, a cruise ship, and the Marconi station on Cape Cod. He specializes in low power SSB operations. Many DXers have run into Mike at the Buddipole booth at the Dayton Hamvention where he helps Chris and Budd out with sales.

N7UN Guy Hamblen has operated from such unusual locales as the Appalachian Trail and from the top of several of Colorado's 14,000 ft. peaks. Previously he was K7YYK, AA7QZ, and his current call of N7UN. He has 334 DXCC countries confirmed.

KB9AVO Paul Van Dyke was a member of the 2007 Buddipole Montseratt DXpedition and held the VP2MVO call. He is a frequent contester as part of the KP4US contest team in Abonito PR. He will be specializing in PSK, RTTY, and Slow Scan tv on FS/PJ7. He is also founding president of the Indiana-Michigan-Ohio Skywarn Association.

WW5L Tom Anderson is an avid DXer and has held the following DX calls since the 1980s: V31EF (Belize), G0/WW5L (UK), 7P8TA (Lesotho), and C91TL (Mozambique). He is on the DXCC Honor Roll and has also operated from the Battleship Missouri, KH6BB, at Pearl Harbor HI. He was a K2BSA staff member and radio merit badge counselor at the 1997 National Boy Scout Jamboree and has been invited back as a K2BSA staff member for the 2010 Centennial National BSA Jamboree. He is also planning on operating as HB9/WW5L from the Kandersteg World Boy Scout Camp in Switzerland in July.

N0TU Steve Galcchutt is a long time CW operator on Straight Key Night and enjoys "mountain top operation" as he's operated from several of Colorado's 14,000 ft. peaks. QRP CW operations are his main interest. He will also be the group's resident videographer - you may have seen his videos on YouTube under the pen name "the Goat Guy."

W3FF Budd Drummond is one of the principals in Buddipole. His main interest lies in making portable, "bicycle mobile", "golf cart mobile", and "walking" HF contacts from whatever location he finds himself in. Budd was one of the members of the 2007 Buddipole Montseratt DXpedition. His web page is http://www.qsl.net/W3FF. In September 2004 Budd worked every continent using 50 watts on his "bicycle

mobile" and has logged more than 5,000 QSOs as "walking mobile" station.

W6HFP Chris Drummond is the president of Buddipole and his main interest, naturally, is HF portable operating and "lightweight" DXpeditions to remote locations. An avid backpacker and outdoorsman, Chris works to design products that will live up to his demanding expectations for rugged and versatile equipment for HF operating in the field. He was also a member of the VP2V Montseratt DXpedition with callsign VP2MHFP.

About the antennas: the Buddipole antenna system is designed to be a lightweight and versatile way to put an efficient station on the air in minutes in almost any terrain. By utilizing an interchangeable series of custom-made components the user is able to configure dozens of antenna designs optimized for their particular operating needs. The group to St. Martin expects to operate dipoles in various configurations, verticals, vertical beams, mini-yagis, and other antennas using only Buddipole parts. Several new products will make their debut including a lightweight rotor, super cap power supply, LifePo4 battery packs, folding capacity hats, and shockcorded masts.

8930. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #893

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*** SPECIAL NOTICE FROM THE EDITOR (by KB8NW): This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal because there was no bulletin last week and to accommodate the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest announcements. A complete listing of all the participants is available at the NG3K Contest page at: http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160c2009.html
I hope to have everything caught up and back to normal next week....
73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 17th/January, through Saturday, 24th/January there were 214 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E3, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TN, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2008 MOST WANTED SURVEY (DX Magazine's Results). The DX Magazine's "2008 Most Wanted Survey" has been posted on the Web site. The survey that most DXers go by is now available at: http://dxpub.com/dx_news.html
Editor Carl, N4AA, states, "The listing shows the top 100 World-Wide 'weighted' mixed mode results. It also includes the ranking for 2007, for comparison. Some 2007 rankings are shown as 'NA' which only means that particular country was NOT on the list for 2007. The Top 100 results, broken down by continent and NA time zone, are published in the January/ February 2009 issue of THE DX MAGAZINE. A further breakdown will be published in the March/April 2009 issue. That listing will include the top 50 for CW, SSB, Digital and this year a listing for Low Bands (160-30 meters.)" The "Top Ten Most Wanted" are as follows:

2008	PREFIX / COUNTRY	2007	2008	PREFIX / COUNTRY	2007
1	P5 NORTH KOREA	1	6	KP5 DESECHEO	7
2	7O YEMEN	2	7	3Y/B BOUVET	5
3	KP1 NAVASSA	3	8	VK0H HEARD ISLAND	10
4	FR/G GLORIOSO	4	9	FT5W CROZET	9
5	ZS8 MARION ISLAND	6	10	FT5Z AMSTERDAM	11

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Axel, DL6KVA, will once again be active as 4K0CW from Vlad's, 4K9W, QTH in Baku between local evening time on March 19th and local midday on March 25th. Activity will be CW only on all HF bands (depending on the band conditions) using 100 watts into a 84m long wire (station of 4K9W). Axel also plans to participate in the Russian DX Contest (March 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/Low-Power/CW entry. QSL via DL6KVA (Bureau OK).

4L0, GEORGIA. Operators 4L5DJ/Shota, 4L2M/Mamuka and 4L4CC/Levan will be active as 4L0G in the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will use a TS-950SDX w/1KW PA into a full size Delta loop and Vertical; RX Antenna 2 beverages. QSL via EA7FTR (UA9LP for Russia; UT7QF for Ukraine).

4U1U, UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS. According to the ARRL DX Bulletin, Johnny, LA5IIA, will be active as 4U1UN in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest for a few hours late Friday and for a few hours during the day on Saturday. QSL via HB9BOU.

4Z, ISRAEL. Operators Victor/RV2FW, Alexey/4Z5TA, Mony/4X6ZK and Alex/ 4Z5KJ will be active as 4Z5J during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W0MM.

7Q, MALAWI. By the time you read this, Harry, 7Q7HB, should be back in Malawi. QSL Manager Allan, G0IAS, informs OPDX that Harry has a new rotator to fit the mast he has and new parts to replace in his amplifier. Then depending on his work load, he will once again be active. He will operate mainly on the Digi modes and CW, but he does have a Mic, so if you need him on SSB, please ask him. Length of his stay will be around 2 months. QSL ONLY DIRECT to G0IAS.

AN8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Luis/EA8AY and Jeronimo/EA8NC will use the special callsign AN8R during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA8AY. Visit the Web page with a Web cam on it at: http://www.ea8ay.com/an8r_arrl/

BX5, TAIWAN. Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Jimmy states that BX5 is a rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Members of the Texas DX Society are pleased to announce their next Dxpedition. Six members will travel to Bilene in the Maputo Province, March 25th to April 5th. Bilene is 180km from the capital city of Maputo. The team will include Cal/WF5W, Dale/KG5U, Madison/W5MJ, Jim/N4AL, Bill/K5WAF and Paul/W5PF. They will be on all bands 160-10 meters and will operate CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be 3 stations, two with amplifiers. Antennas will include log periodics for 20-10m and various verticals for the low bands. They will operate in the CQWW WPX Phone Contest. Callsigns have not yet been assigned but will be announced when available. QSL Manager for all callsigns will be W5PF. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW after the trip. Further details are available on the team's Web site at: http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html

CN, MOROCCO. Operators Ahmed/CN8WK, Stefano/IK2QEI, Maurizio/IV3ZXQ and Carlo/IK1HJS will be active as CN3A during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW or via I2WIJ.

CO, CUBA. Juan, CO8TW, will be active during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via HB9SVT. The log will be online after the contest at: http://www.qsl.net/co8tw/

CT3/CS9/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Helmut, DF7ZS, will be active as CT3/homecall between March 24-31st. His activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). QSL via DJ6QT or CS9L. He will sign CS9L (or CT9L) for the contest. Look for casual operation before the contest. Visit his Web page at: http://www.df7zs.de

CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Rastislav/OM3BH, Jozef/OM3GI and a Madeira Contest Team will be active as CT9M during CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via CT3EE.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Operators Randy/N0TG, Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK have received approval from the Director of Marine Programs and the Canadian Coast Guard, and will activate Sable Island between October 7-14th. Callsigns will be homecall/CY0. Part of their team from previous operations from KP1 and KP5, CY9 are reuniting for this operation from Sable Island. Operations are planned for 160-10 meters, CW and SSB. More details are forthcoming. Visit their Web page at: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

D4, CAPE VERDE. Operator Girts, YL2KL, will be active as D4C between February 11-22nd. He hopes to do some activity on 30 meters, but plans to be active during the CQ World-Wide WPX RTTY Contest (February 14-15th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry and the ARRL DX CW Contest

(February 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via CT1ESV by the Bureau or IZ4DPV for direct. For the latest information, check the D4C Web page at: http://www.d4c.cc

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (ed. Gee, is it that time already..WOW!)......
* 24th Annual DX Dinner: Jay, K4ZLE, reports: "The SouthWest Ohio DX Association is pleased to sponsor the 24th annual DX Dinner to be held in conjunction with the 2009 Dayton HamVention. The dinner will be Friday evening, May 15th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, located in Dayton city center. This is the same venue as in previous years. The program details are not final yet and will be released as soon as they are finalized. As in the past, there will be some nice attendance prizes. Last year the main prize was an Icom IC-756 Pro III, but this year ICOM has promised something new! Attendees will have their choice of either a steak dinner or a vegetarian dinner. We must be informed when the tickets are ordered if you want the vegetarian option. Tickets are 39.00 USDs per meal, payable in U.S. funds to SWODXA. (Sorry, we do not process PayPal or Credit Card payments.) Please advise if you want a vegetarian meal when you order. You may order from Pete Meyer, N0FW, at his CBA. SASE is requested. We attempt to honor group seating requests when tickets are ordered together. There is not a bad seat in the house, but seating is definitely limited. Come join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. Up-to-date information may be found on the club's website: http://www.swodxa.com
Pete's E-mail address is n0fw <at> live <dot> com
ADDED NOTE: Last year Yaesu joined us in sponsoring the DX forum during HamVention. They have agreed to partner with us again for 2009. There will be a FT-2000 with PEP raffled off at the end of the DX forum. The winner does not have to be present. Tickets for a chance on the FT-2000 are 5.00 USDs each or 5 for 20.00 USDs. For your convenience, they may be ordered at the same time you purchase your DX dinner tickets. All proceeds from this raffle are used by SWODXA to assist in providing DXpedition grants. We look forward to helping make HamVention a more enjoyable experience for all DXers. C U there?"

* 17th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner: The North Coast Contesters are proud to announce: "2009 Contest Dinner tickets are on sale now exclusively via the WEB again this year! Thanks to Scott, KA9FOX and QTH.com for designing, building and running our Web site: http://www.contestdinner.com
Master of Ceremonies for the Dayton Contest Dinner is CQ Magazine Contest Editor John Dorr, K1AR. The 2009 CQ Contest Hall of Fame Inductions will be formally announced by the CQ WorldWide Contest Director Bob Cox, K3EST. Our excellent keynote dinner speaker will be announced soon. The Contest Dinner will be held on Saturday night, May 16, 2009 at 6:30 PM (Cash bar opens at 5:30 PM). Located at the Crowne Plaza Hotel (Official Contest Hotel), 5th and Jefferson Streets (Next to the Convention Center) Dayton (Downtown), Ohio in the VAN CLEVE BALLROOM. Seating is random. Tables are set in rounds of 8." Tim, K3LR, Dayton Contest Dinner Chairman, states that tickets are ONLY available via the Web page listed above. He also mentions,

"Many contest operators from around the world attend this event. If you enjoy radio contesting, you do not want to miss this Contest Dinner in Dayton, Ohio. We expect a quick sell out just like past years. Go to the web and get your tickets early!"

DXCC SUBMISSION REPORT. A report was announced that the OX/NA1SA operation in May 2007 was rejected by DXCC desk for "No documentation received".

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS (AF-004). Jyrki, OH6CS, will be active as EA8/OH6CS during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via LoTW. QSL is also "OK" via OH6CS, direct using the QRZ.com address.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS (AF-004). Operator Valery, RD3AF, will be active as EF8M during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 14-15th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Using the same callsign, he will also be active in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL both operations via RX3DU (QRZ.com). ADDED REMINDER: Also look for Valery (using EF8M) during this weekend's CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry.

ER0, MOLDOVA. Serge, UR5FEO, will be active as ER0FEO during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via UU0JM.

ER0, MOLDOVA. Vladimir, will be active as ER0/UT0FT during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via UT0FT.

ES9, ESTONIA. Operators Tonno/ES5TV, Toivo/ES2RR, Arvo/ES2MC, Juri/ES5JR and Toomas/ES5RY will be active as ES9C during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via ES5RY.

FR, REUNION ISLAND (AF-016). Gerhard, OE3GEA, will be active as FR/OE3GEA between February 1-13th. Activity will be on all bands, but CW only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

GJ/MJ0, JERSEY. Richard, K2WR, will be active as GJ2A during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via K2WR or GJ3DVC. Look for him outside of the contest signing MJ0AWR.

HS, THAILAND. Joerg, DL1MJF, is expected to be active from here again as HS0ZGQ between January 20th and February 12th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW/SSB using a Kenwood TS-50 and a dipole antenna. If possible, Joerg may stay for one week on the Island of Koh Samui (AS-101) and operate as HS0ZGQ/2. QSL via DL1MJF.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-108. Jim, MM0BQI, will be active as homecall/p from the Treshnish Isles, April 24-27th. Look for activity on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-146. Operators Will/PE1OPM, Manfred/PE1OXV and Jeroen/PD5CW will be active from Schouwen Duiveland, July 24-26th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, using mainly CW and SSB. They will also be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the bureau.

OC-135. Jerry, P29ZAD, will be active from Buka Island between February 7-27th. Activity will be limited because he is working just North of Buka Town. QSL via NI5DX, direct or by the Bureau. More information can be found at: http://p29zad.blogspot.com

J3, GRENADA (NA-024). Colin/G3VCQ and Sharon/M3VCQ will be in Beru from March 12-26th. Colin will be active as J38CW in the BERU CW Contest (March 14-15th). Colin will only work Commonwealth stations during the contest. Outside of the contest, look for activity to be on 80/40/30/20/ 17/15/12/10 meters using CW and SSB. Sharon will also be active and sign J38/M3VCQ (still to be cofirmed yet) in between sunbathing! All QSLs are via G3VCQ, direct or by the bureau.

J7, DOMINICA. Seth, SM0XBI, will be active again as J79XBI (while on holiday) between now and around April 1st. Activity will be SSB only. Over the past week he has been mainly on 20 meters with some activity on 80 and 40 meters. QSL to his home callsign, bureau preferred.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Lars, DF1LON, will be active as LX7I during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

NH7, HAWAII. Al, NH7A, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via F5VHJ.

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Alfredo (Al), WP3C, will be active as NP4A during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via W3HNK.

OR3/OR4, ANTARCTICA. Operator Willy/ON5AX and XYL Magda/ON3AX will be active as OR4AX and OR3AX, respectively, from the RV Professor Khromov (Spirit of Enderby) and from the region of the Ross Sea in Antarctica between February 9th and March 10th. QSL via ON5AX.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as PJ2/PA1FJ from the Island of Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) between September 24th and October 7th. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
NEW QSL MANAGER. Buzz, NI5DX, is now the QSL Manager for Zivko, S52BB. Buzz will be able to answer all requests for cards once new cards are received from the printer (4-5 weeks).

NEW QSL ROUTE. Rich, W4GKR/DK4GKR, has announced that all QSL requests for his past operations be QSLed via the Texas address listed on QRZ.com. Operations included: DK4GKR (Oct. 2007-present), DL/, EA8/, HB/, G/, GW/ and TI5/.

S21DX LOGS. The on-line logs for the S21DX operation are available at:
http://s2iota.eb7dx.com/index.php?option=com_searchlog&Itemid=60

TS7C LOGS. The on-line logs for the TS7C operation are available at:
http://www.ts7c.net/searchlog_adif.php

VX1RNS/P QSL STATUS. It was mentioned by VE1AI that the cards for last year's IOTA operation from NA-081 have been printed and direct cards will be sent next month for VX1RNS/p. Bureau cards will follow.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 9N7CQ, E44M, FO0SUC, FT5ZH, PY2GWF/0, SO7WW, TJ3SP, TL5A, XX9TKV, XZ1N and ZA1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8/SP2JMB, 3X5A, 4U1UN, 4W6AAB, 5X1GS, 7P8BA, 7U5CI, 9H1XT, 9M6/N2BB, AH0V, BD1DRJ/2, BQ9P, EA9/SP2JMB, ER4ER, FO/DJ7RJ, GW3KGV, GW3YDX, HS0ZEE, J6/W0SA, JX9JKA, KH6/JA6REX, MD0CCE, OX5AA, PZ5TT, RA4LW, T209DX, TC4X, TL8CK, TN5SN, TT8JT, V51AS, VU4RG, YO5BRZ, ZA0/I8LWL, ZK2QQ, ZS2EZ and ZS6GAV

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3XD2Z, 4Z4BS, 8P1A, 9K2SR, C50C, EA1EVR, EC5ANF, EI2VNO, F8DQZ/P, IG9/IZ1DFG, IQ3GA/3, IR2M, K0ARY/VP9, MM/DH5JBR/m, NB7PX, OY/DK7MCX, R450KB, RK3MWD, RP3ZD, RW3XZ, S50HQ, S57RTH, SL1HF, SM5U, SV1DPI, SV8/IZ7FLP, TA2MW, TC18M, TC1ATA, TK/DL2EEO, TM7F, UA3AP, UE3SFF/1, UE80MC, UZ7U and Z35T

RK2, KALININGRAD. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as RK2FWA during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via DK4VW.

SILENT KEYS.....
W2PUX - Joseph J. Brohman, became a SK on January 11th at the age of 100. He born on June 15,1908. Joseph was a HAM operator for 75 years.

W6GVM - Emil F. Malek, became a SK on December 26th, 2008, at the age of 92. He was very active in ham radio chasing DX, and gaining Honor Roll Membership and #1 Honor Roll plaque, staying at the top to the end. Listed in the 2007 DXCC Yearbook's Annual Listing : Phone/Mixed # 1 at 388 Entities. Emil loved Ham Radio, DXing, Mentoring, Helping others.

JY3ZH - It was announced that Zedan, JY3ZH, has became SK on January 20th. He is best known for being the net controller for the Arabian Knights Net on 14.252 kHz.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above mentioned. They all will be surely missed.

SV9, CRETE. Willi, DJ7RJ, will be active from here for three weeks beginning February 24th. His callsign in the past has been SV9/DJ7RJ. Willi operates CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign by the CBA.

TA, TURKEY. Yasar, TA3D, will be active during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via TA3D.

TO5, MARTINIQUE. Dim, UT5UGR, will be active as TO5WA from Laurent's, FM5BH, QTH and station during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry.

TO5, MARTINIQUE. Albert, F5VHJ, will be active as TO5A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via F5VHJ.

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators Bob/W4OWY and Mark/W9OP will be active as V25WY and V25OP between March 10-19th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. QSL via their home callsign or by the bureau. Logs will also be uploaded as before to LoTW and eQSL.

V6, MICRONESIA. Mike/KM9D and Jan/KF4TUG as of 0220z, January 15th, have anchored the "SV Don Henry" in Kolonia Harbor on Pohnpei Island. No word on their radio plans at the moment.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Update). Bill Horner, VK4FW, member of Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group Inc. (ODXG), reports that the VK9LA March departure date is fast approaching, and all team members are ready to go. Operations will between March 23rd and April 3rd. The total list of operators are: Tony/IZ3ESV, San/K5YY, Bob/N2OO, Lance/N2OZ, Stan/SQ8X, Peter/SQ9DIE, Victoria/SV2KBS, Alex/VK1TX, Luke/VK3HJ, Chris/VK3QB, John/VK4IO, Catherine/VK4VCH, Chris/VK5CP, John/VK5PO, Julian/W5SL and Bill/VK4FW. Bill, VK4FW, will travel to Lord Howe on March 22nd to immediately begin unpacking. On March 23rd, 4 other operators will arrive and the rest will arrive as originally planned on March 24th. Bill states (edited), "We will assemble 7 full HF stations at 2 seperate sites as well as one for 6m. Modes of operation are SSB, CW and RTTY. We will use mono band yagis and mono band verticals to allow us to possibly have 2 actual stations on the same band similtaneously. There are also a quantity of wire antennas for the low bands. A full list of operating frequencies will be designed to enhance our plans. With the rising fuel prices and the international economy crashing around us, we have been able to secure a vessel to freight all of our equipment. We are still trying to get more support to cover this cost, so please be so kind to visit our Web site and make a donation at: http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm
The QSLing chores will be handled by VK4FW. We will set up an online QSLing system that will permit you to apply online to help cut your postage costs. More on this later. QSL cards will be printed very quickly by UX5UO." For more updates, details on the DXpedition and how to donate to this operation, please visit the ODXG and VK9LA Web pages at:
http://www.odxg.org
http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm

VK0B, ANTARCTICA. Bob, VK0BP, is currently working at Antarctic Davis Base Station (AN-016, Gridsquare MC81xk) until November 1st. His activity is limited due to his workload, but he is expected to be on all HF bands. However, due to local scientific experiements cetain bands may be un-available at times. He seems to like 20 meters between 1500-1800z.

Operations have been on SSB and PSK31, but he plans to operate on other modes later on during his stay at the Davis Station. QSL via VK2CA. PLEASE NOTE: There is also a possibility of Bob activating other field huts in the area, and he will sign as VK0BP/P. Look for more details on his Web page at: http://www.vk0bp.org

VP2, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Eric, K6VVA, will be celebrating his 65th birthday with a trip to Tortola (NA-023) between February 20-24th. He will sign VP2V/K6VVA and be active mainly on CW. Eric will also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as VP2VVA. QSL via N6AWD.

VP9, BERMUDA. Jeff, N1SNB, will be active as VP9/N1SNB between January 21-25th. Activity will include the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via N1SNB.

VP9400, BERMUDA (Special Event). Rose, VP9LP, Secretary of the Radio Society of Bermuda, announced that the year 2009 is the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Bermuda by Sir George Somers. Look for most local organizations to have some kind of special event during the year. The Radio Society of Bermuda has been issued with a special callsign that can be used all year; it is VP9400/xx. The xx suffix is the operator's callsign suffix (i.e. VP9400/LP). There are a few novice licence holders who have a 3 digit suffix (i.e. VP9400/NMT). Look for special pictorial postcards to be used to QSL.

WAS LOTW ACCOUNT INFORMATION. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Manager, announced: "Some users may have noticed that their WAS totals have changed or have completely gone away. On January 1, 2009, LoTW refreshed all WAS accounts to accommodate the new Triple Play award. Your Triple Play record is shown as a sub award in your WAS account just as band and mode sub-awards are shown. If your account had no QSO rules then the system had no way of applying your QSO credits. This is easily fixed by adding a rule to your WAS account. All WAS accounts must have at least one rule. To add a rule to your WAS account simply access your WAS account then select 'MODIFY ACCOUNT'. Follow these steps to complete the process:

Click 'Add Rule To QSO Set'
Next, select the type of rule you want to apply. Drop the box down, make your selection then click 'Add Rule'

(Next it may ask you here to select a callsign if you have more than one account. If so, select the callsign you want to change).

If there is only one callsign in the account the next screen will say 'Save Account Changes'

Click this and your account should be OK now.

Note, if you feed more than one WAS account for different locations you must do this for each account. Some accounts are very simple and will only require a callsign rule. Other accounts may be more complex requiring multiple rules to accommodate your operations. WAS accounts

can be configured to automatically select those of your QSOs that both qualify for a WAS award and also match a set of rules you specify. A QSO Set is a list of rules that define QSOs that will be matched. Your account can include more than one QSO Set if needed to encompass all of your QSOs that are eligible for the awards. The rules that make up a QSO Set each compare the value of a field related to the QSO. The fields that may be used for this comparison are the callsign you used to make the QSO, the QSO date, and several geographical fields. At least one rule must be included in a QSO Set in order to match any QSOs. If more than one rule is present in the QSO Set, you may choose whether the QSOs must match all of the specified rules or any of the specified rules."

WORLD'S LARGEST AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA DEPLOYED ON 160M AT OH8X. Jarmo, OH2BN, reports: "With the aim of pushing the always challenging Northern envelope on low bands and verifying their own engineering skills, the group at Radio Arcala will hit 160M with a 39-ton (80.000 lbs) 3-element full-size monster during the week of January 19, culminating with the CQWW 160M Contest. OH8X is to be manned by OH2IW and OH6KN, still in a limited capacity while valuable data will be gathered in this first assault. Their partners for measurement purposes will be the sister station CU2X operated by OH2BH/CU2KG and, in close proximity, by the associate stations OH0E operated by OH2MM, and OG2P by OH2PM. You may catch all these stations during the coming week. Radio Arcala is co-operating with the University of Oulu in several areas of HF propagation study. They also welcome and acknowledge field reports at <oh1wz@...>
You may read about details of the monster construction at <http://www.helsinki.fi/~korpela/PU/PU.html> and study the overall mission at <www.radioarcala.com>
QSL for OH8X via OH2UA, CU2X via OH2BH, OG2P via OH2PM and OH0E via OH2MM."
To see a picture of this antenna, go to: http://tinyurl.com/8g5m7e

WORLDRADIO ONLINE LAUNCHED (February Issue Now On The Web!).....
Richard Moseson, W2VU, Editorial Director, for CQ Communications, Inc., announced on January 21st, 2009,: "First Issue of 'WorldRadio Online'
Posted on Web -- The inaugural issue of 'WorldRadio Online' has been posted on the World Wide Web, appropriately, on Inauguration Day!
'WorldRadio Online' is the first wide-distribution general-interest ham magazine to be published exclusively online.
The February issue of 'WorldRadio Online' features articles on a ham station aboard a still-sailing Victory Ship, as well as a very handy primer on basic knots. Most familiar columnists are there as well, including 'Krusty' Aerials columnist Kurt N. Sterba.
The issue is in a downloadable PDF file. It may be accessed without charge by going to the CQ magazine home page at
http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/
and clicking on the 'WorldRadio Online' link.
'WorldRadio Online' is published monthly by CQ Communications, Inc."

XU7, CAMBODIA (Just A Reminder!). Peter, NO2R, will be active as XU7ACY from Sihanoukville during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via W2EN.

XU7, CAMBODIA (Just A Reminder!). Tom, KC0W/ZD7X, active as XU7XXX is expected to be in the CQWW 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. His 160m antenna is a dipole/vertical placed on the beach 5 meters from salt water. QSL via KC0W, direct only.

XW, LAOS (Just A Reminder!). Bruce, XW1B, will be active in the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th) as a Single-Op entry and the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 40m - if his new yagi is up by then) entry. QSL via E21EIC.

XT, BURKINA FASO. Michael, F1IQH, will once again be active as XT2WC from BoboDioulasso starting January 25th, for two weeks. Activity will be mainly 20 meters (other bands are possible according to the propagation) with only 100 watts and a G5RV. QSL via F1IQH.

Z3, MACEDONIA. Members of the Radio Club "Nikola Tesla" (Z37M) will be active as Z37M during the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 14-15th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are: Milosev/Z31MM, Igor/Z32ID, Dance/Z32XU, Ozren/Z35T, Chris/Z35X, Tone/Z36N, Venco/Z36W and possibly others. QSL via Z37M, by the Bureau or info on QRZ.com.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS. There has been a leak of a possible operation here. Details are expected to be released. STAY TUNED!

ZS8, MARION ISLANDS. Petrus, ZS8T, showed on 20 meters last weekend for a few QSOs. According to Rhynhardt, ZS6DXB, ZS8T Press Officer, "the ZS8T license has expired on the 31st of December 2008 with an expiry window period up and until 31 January 2009. Renewal and payment off the existing license has been made and Petrus, ZS8T, is licensed to operate from Marion Island up and until December 2009. All contacts made to date with the ZS8T callsign are legitimate and legal. The team is currently awaiting the paper copy off the new license that only expires in December 2009 Petrus can remain active with ZS8T for the remainder of his stay on Marion Island." Petrus, ZS8T, has unveiled some more details about his operation from Marion Island in an interview which be available this past week thanks to the South Africa Amateur Radio League (SARL). He states that he will be there three months before leaving and plans to be active as much as he can during this time. To listen to the complete interview and see the latest pictures from Petrus, go to:
http://zs8t.net/interview-with-petrus-zs8t/
For updates and official announcement of ZS8T operation, please visit the official ZS8T Web site at: http://zs8t.net

ZT2, SOUTH AFRICA (Rare PFX). Look for eight South African amateurs to operate as ZT2V in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). This will be one of the rare times the ZT prefix has been used, and the first time South Africa's East Cape Province (ZS2) has had a team operation entry in a major contest. The Multi-2 operation will take place from the Port Elizabeth region QTH of Donovan, ZS2DL, who will serves as team leader. Other experienced contest participants include Barry/ZS2EZ, Mitch/ZS2DK, Thiaan/ZS2Y and Andre/ZS2ACP. Operators Henning/ZS2HK and Glen/ZS2GV will be making their major contest debuts. One other operator, not yet selected, will round out the team. The 2 stations will consist of a FT2000 and a

Quadra amplifier into a SteppIr beam and a FT1000MPMKV and an Ameritron amp into a HyGain TH5. An antenna for 40 and 80 meters will also be used. While the group is hoping to score well, the primary goal is to put Port Elizabeth on the map and give the prefix hunters a rare one. The QSL route for ZT2V will be Buzz, NI5DX.

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8931. ZL7T - Chatham Island DXpedition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-24 09:24:28 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 8931 Message: 8931

ZL7 CHATHAM ISLAND: A team of nine ZL operators will be activating Chatham Island in March 2009. The team leaders are Lee ZL2AL and Morrie ZL2AAA, The rest of the team will be Lee ZL2LE, John ZL1BYZ, Mike, ZL2CC, Phil ZL2RVW, Mark ZL3AB, Wayne ZL2WG AND John ZL1ALZ. Chatham Island is located about 550 Km east of New Zealand about 3 hours by air. Although ZL7 is not particularly rare but is in the top 100 at 87 needed for DXCC and it still generates much activity on the bands. Our Pilot will be Duncan ZL3JT in Christchurch zl3jt@... The team will be hosted at the Chatham Fishing Lodge in the fishing village of Kaiangaroa on the north eastern tip of the Chatham Islands. www.chathamfishingexperience.co.nz/ .

We will be looking for newer ops wanting to work ZL7 for the first time and will be listening for VK/ZL and Pacific stations at the end of each hour for a few minutes. We will not be working specific call areas or any region to the disadvantage of any other region. The ICOM four station setup with amplifiers will operate 160M to 10M with CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK modes. Wire loops will be used on 80M and 40M, a vertical on 30M and Yagis on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10M. We also will try 160M alternating with the 80M station from time to time.

Most of the experienced operators are DXCC members and look forward to the pileups. Frequencies will be in the usual SSB and CW DX haunts on each band with SSB split up 5 kHz and CW split up 3 kHz. Our callsign will be announced at the beginning of the operation on March 6, 2009 and ending on March 11, 2009. Although ICOM New Zealand has offered limited sponsorship, donations would be appreciated as the team will have to cover all expenses including the QSL printing. Donations would be appreciated. The website will be up and running in a few weeks and the URL is www.zl7t.com <http://www.zl7t.com/> Logsearch will be available on the team's return. QSL via Buro or Direct via ZL2AL CBA or QRZ.com

We will be uploading the logs to LoTW in approximately 6 months and we will also QSL via the Buro

73, Lee ZL2AL Team Leader

8932. ZS8T...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-24 18:15:18 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8932 Message: 8932

Petrus apparently made some 20m SSB contacts last weekend, according to the website.

8933. Top Ten

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-24 18:28:50 UTC
From: Jean-Michel Duthilleul
Topic: 8933 Message: 8933

Hello !

After the publication of the "2008 MOST WANTED SURVEY"
by the DX Magazine (tnx Carl for this very usefull list).
You can see the complete list for the most 100 wanted.

here http://www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html

And if you wish to see some cards for the TopTen, please have
a look here:

http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie.php?page=listtopten

and you will find more than 300 cards for the Topten countries
for the last 5 years (2004 to 2008)

If you don't speak french and can use an automatic translator
(see on the left side of the page).

For sure some cards are missing and your cooperation is
welcome.

Your comments are also welcome.

Have a good visit!

Best wishes.

Jean-Michel F6AJA

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73's from Jean Michel F6AJA
exHW6AJA, TK6AJA, TO6AJA, FE6AJA
YO/F6AJA, F6AJA/VE2, 5R8FI, F6AJA/BY4RJZ
Op at 5Z4JD, 5R8EN/P
Merite du Clipperton DX Club (1996)
Merite National du REF (1998)
Redactor for the french DX bulletin LNDX
Webmaster for http://LesNouvellesDX.fr
IOTA checkpoint for France
e_mail: LesNouvellesDX@...
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8934. Card maker

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-24 18:47:45 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 8934 Message: 8934

>>snip<
>
> Well, there is a new kid on the block! QslDesignAndPrint is a free
> program for designing QSL cards for printing on your home computer,
> or for creating an image of the card to send to a professional
> printer.

Clicking on
http://www.va3hj.ca/QslDesignAndPrint+Installation+Instructions sez that QslDesignAndPrint uses Microsoft's .NET 3.5 Framework found at:
http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/
Ok, going to MS download site I found .Net 3.5 Service Pack 1 but find this:
Others who downloaded Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 Service Pack 1 also downloaded:
1.. Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5
Question is, what do I download, 3.5 or 3.5 SP1?

TIA - Rene

8935. RE: [DX-IS] Card maker

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-25 16:00:37 UTC
From: kq6i@arrl.net
Topic: 8934 Message: 8935

[what do I download, 3.5 or 3.5 SP1?] go with the lesser without the service pack. No sense adding
minimum needed to run (QslDesignAndPrint). But if there are problems install the SP1. Not a big deal
as service packs are just an accumulation of all past updates rolled into one.

Craig
kq6i
Peace, long-life, and gud DX!
-----Original Message-----
From: WB6PSY [mailto:tagteam@...]
Sent: Saturday, January 24, 2009 11:48 AM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] Card maker

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Clicking on
http://www.va3hj.ca/QslDesignAndPrint+Installation+Instructions sez that QslDesignAndPrint uses
Microsoft's .NET 3.5 Framework found at:
http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/
Ok, going to MS download site I found .Net 3.5 Service Pack 1 but find this:
Others who downloaded Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 Service Pack 1 also downloaded:

1. Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5
<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/info.aspx?na=47&p=1&SrcDisplayLang=en&SrcCategoryId=&SrcFamilyId=a
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TIA - Rene

8936. Re: ZS8T...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-25 16:57:00 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 8932 Message: 8936

He is on this morning but at 14.350 which is out of band for most.
Amazing the number of folks that don't realize it.

Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@...> wrote:
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> Petrus apparently made some 20m SSB contacts last weekend, according
> to the website.
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8937. Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZS8T...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-25 17:22:05 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 8932 Message: 8937

luckily he moved down to 300.

He's S1-2 now in Massachusetts.

He's been on for hours.

I made the log a few weeks back when he was testing antennas so possible from this area.

Don
N1DG

At 11:57 AM 1/25/2009, rmontemerlo wrote:

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N1DG--Licensed since 1962
EX-WB2DND, A61AD (GUEST OP, QSL MGR), A52DG, /KH9, /BV, /VS6, /4X, /9V
Pilot: VU7RG, 3Y0X, VK9ML, D68C, VK0IR, K8XP/KH9, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, ZL9CI
Webmaster: BS7H, 3Y0X, K5K, A52A, VK0IR, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, WB2DND/KH9, BQ9P, ZL9CI
QSL Manager: A61AD, A61AO, A61X, A61AQ
2006 inductee into the CQ Magazine DX Hall of Fame
Member: FOC, ARRL, DDXA, YCCC

SKYPE: aurumtel

Please consider the environment before printing this email

8938. Re: [DX-IS] Card maker

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-26 14:52:34 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 8934 Message: 8938

On Sun, Jan 25, 2009 at 12:00 PM, <kq6i@...> wrote:
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> [what do I download, 3.5 or 3.5 SP1?] go with the lesser without the service
> pack. No sense adding
> minimum needed to run (QslDesignAndPrint). But if there are problems install
> the SP1. Not a big deal
> as service packs are just an accumulation of all past updates rolled into
> one.
>
> Craig
> kq6i
> Peace, long-life, and gud DX!

Since most of the updates are usually security updates it generally
makes more sense to take the latest version i.e the one with the
service pack. The problem generally is that if the unpatched version
resides on your computer it may leave you open to have you computer
compromised just by surfing the net. Especially since there are web
apps out there that will seize upon an unpatched version and allow
your computer to be taken over or worse.

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

8939. Re: [DX-IS] Card maker

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-26 15:01:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8934 Message: 8939

At 10:52 AM 1/26/2009, you wrote:
>On Sun, Jan 25, 2009 at 12:00 PM, <kq6i@...> wrote:
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>apps out there that will seize upon an unpatched version and allow
>your computer to be taken over or worse.
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>73
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>Geoff
>VE1GW

Agreed 100%. Always keep your system as up-to-date as
possible. The Microsoft updates are a PITA at times because they
almost always require a re-boot, but if the computer is exposed to
the Internet, an unpatched system is open to anything a hacker can dream up.

73, Paul VE1DX

8940. RE: [DX-IS] Card maker

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-26 15:22:10 UTC
From: kq6i@arrl.net
Topic: 8934 Message: 8940

Geoff
VE1GW
I stand clarified (no pun intended). Personally my XP Pro machines, whether it be Microsoft Office
etc, I installe every SP. Then there is the poor gentleman who installs a service pack and his/her
machine is never the same. Mircosoft wouldn't be Microsoft? Use caution and good judgment whomever the
installer/updater.
Craig
kq6i
Peace, Long-life, and gud DX!

-----Original Message-----
From: Geoff Wilson [mailto:ve1gw.sydney@...]
Sent: Monday, January 26, 2009 7:53 AM
To: kq6i@...
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Card maker

On Sun, Jan 25, 2009 at 12:00 PM, <kq6i@...> wrote:
>
> [what do I download, 3.5 or 3.5 SP1?] go with the lesser without the
> service pack. No sense adding minimum needed to run
> (QslDesignAndPrint). But if there are problems install the SP1. Not a
> big deal as service packs are just an accumulation of all past updates
> rolled into one.
>
> Craig
> kq6i
> Peace, long-life, and gud DX!

Since most of the updates are usually security updates it generally makes more sense to take the
latest version i.e the one with the service pack. The problem generally is that if the unpatched
version resides on your computer it may leave you open to have you computer compromised just by
surfing the net. Especially since there are web apps out there that will seize upon an unpatched
version and allow your computer to be taken over or worse.

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

8941. KP5 press release

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-26 15:38:26 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8941 Message: 8941

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

We have reserved the special call sign K5D for our upcoming Desecheo operation. The operation will begin late in the day on Feb 12th.

QSO philosophy...because Desecheo is so very rare (#6 worldwide, #3 in Europe and # 2 in Asia) there are many, many hams worldwide that need KP5 for an all-time new one. Therefore, we are asking that you not contact the Dxpedition on any band/mode that you have confirmed from a previous DXpedition. This will allow the people who really need a new DXCC entity a better opportunity to get through the pileups.

Our objective is not to establish a world record for contacts...there will be no "greenies", no boxes to check, no competitions for most band/mode QSOs, no certificate or awards for contacting the Dxpedition more times than anyone else. So, if you have KP5 already confirmed on a particular band/mode, we respectfully ask that you exercise restraint. If, late in the DXpedition, we are calling CQ for contacts, we will welcome your call.

The team has encountered higher expenses than anticipated. These mainly involve the transportation and feeding of other personnel that will be traveling to the island with us. Approximately ten other personnel will share our campsite and facilities for the duration of the DXpedition. They will be on Island with us to provide security and carry out field research. Therefore, we ask that you consider a contribution to the DXpedition to help with these incremental expenses. Just go to <http://www.kp5.us/>www.kp5.us and click the button that reads" How you can Help".

We are all counting the days until we assemble in Puerto Rico on Feb 7th.

Bob Allphin- K4UEE
Glenn Johnson-W0GJ
K5D co-leaders

8942. Riley the Second

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-26 19:01:02 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 8942 Message: 8942

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/01/26/10587/?nc=1

8943. RE: [DX-IS] Riley the Second

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-26 19:16:21 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8942 Message: 8943

Did I miss it ?? Is she licensed ??

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.comFrom: kzerohb@...: Mon, 26 Jan 2009 13:01:02 -0600Subject: [DX-IS] Riley the Second
http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/01/26/10587/?nc=1

8944. Re: [DX-IS] PJ7/FS DXpedition Feb. 4-11

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-26 21:25:23 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 8922 Message: 8944

The mistake was corrected a few minutes after the first release was sent out.. Tom, WW5L

--- On Mon, 1/26/09, PA0MIR <n.byl@...> wrote:

From: PA0MIR <n.byl@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] PJ7/FS DXpedition Feb. 4-11
To: andersonww5l@..., Buddipole@yahoogroups.com
Cc: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, January 26, 2009, 2:31 PM

☐
Of course, this will be Sint Maarten/Saint Martin and not St. Barths which has no shared sides, hi.
PA0MIR

----- Original Message -----
From: Tom Anderson
To: Buddipole@yahoogroups.com
Cc: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 12:26 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] PJ7/FS DXpedition Feb. 4-11

PJ7/FS DXpedition to the Caribbean

The "Buddies in the Caribbean" DX group which specializes in 100 watt or low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna system is off again to a new DXpedition site Feb. 4-11.

This time the group will be operating at different times from BOTH the French and Dutch side of St. Bartholomey Island FS/PJ7. Various modes including phone, RTTY, and CW will be on the air, along with "golf cart mobile", or "bicycle mobile" operations and other unique operational situations. Each of the operators has extensive experience operating from "unique" locations or various DXCC entities.

In 2007, four of the eight operators on the 2009 DXpedition were part of the Montseratt VP2M Buddipole DXpedition.

The DXpedition headquarters will be at Villa Ait Na Greine on the French side of the island. The heaquarters (http://villaaitnagr eine.com) is perched on top of a cliff overlooking the Caribbean with excellent take off angles toward North America and Europe. There will be other sites on the island, both on the French and Dutch sides, where operations will occur giving DXers a chance to work two separate DXCC countries.

The group's goal will be to work stations from all over the world using Buddipole™ antennas and other newly-developed Buddipole™ antenna accessory products. The operation will be the week before the Orlando Hamfest and two weeks before the KP5 DXpedition. Operators will be using FS/homecall and PJ7/homecall and plans call for contacts to be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL, and an on-line log. Those wanting hard copy QSLs should send a S.A.E. and appropriate return postage or an SASE to the homecalls of the operator(s) you've worked.

The "Buddies in the Caribbean" blog page will be http://caribbeanbud dies.blogspot. com/

The group consists of the following operators:

K8EAB Weymouth Walker who's operated from Jamaica as well as motels, high rise apartment buildings, a pontoon boat, mountain tops, and even "picnic table" portable during his 52 year ham career.

KC4VG Mike Greenwood was a member of the BUM's Montersatt group in 2007 as VP2MVG and has been licensed more than 25 years. He also has operated from the Bahamas C6 and other Caribbean locales. Unique QTHs have included operations from Alcatraz Island in the USA, a cruise ship, and the Marconi station on Cape Cod. He specializes in low power SSB operations. Many DXers have run into Mike at the Buddipole booth at the Dayton Hamvention where he helps Chris and Budd out with sales.

N7UN Guy Hamblen has operated from such unusual locales as the Appalachian Trail and from the top of several of Colorado's 14,000 ft. peaks. Previously he was K7YYK, AA7QZ, and his current call of N7UN. He has 334 DXCC countries confirmed.

KB9AVO Paul Van Dyke was a member of the 2007 Buddipole Montseratt DXpedition and held the VP2MVO call. He is a frequent contester as part of the KP4US contest team in Abonito PR. He will be specializing in PSK, RTTY, and Slow Scan tv on FS/PJ7. He is also founding president of the Indiana-Michigan- Ohio Skywarn Association.

WW5L Tom Anderson is an avid DXer and has held the following DX calls since the 1980s: V31EF (Belize), G0/WW5L (UK), 7P8TA (Lesotho), and C91TL (Mozambique) . He is on the DXCC Honor Roll and has also operated from the Battleship Missouri, KH6BB, at Pearl Harbor HI. He was a K2BSA staff member and radio merit badge counselor at the 1997 National Boy Scout Jamboree and has been invited back as a K2BSA staff member for the 2010 Centennial National BSA Jamboree. He is also planning on operating as HB9/WW5L from the Kandersteg World Boy Scout Camp in Switzerland in July.

N0TU Steve Galcchutt is a long time CW operator on Straight Key Night and enjoys "mountain top operation" as he's operated from several of Colorado's 14,000 ft. peaks. QRP CW operations are his main interest. He will also be the group's resident videographer - you may have seen his videos on YouTube under the pen name "the Goat Guy."

W3FF Budd Drummond is one of the principals in Buddipole. His main interest lies in making portable, "bicycle mobile", "golf cart mobile", and "walking" HF contacts from whatever location he finds himself in. Budd was one of the members of the 2007 Buddipole Montseratt DXpedition. His web page is http://www.qsl. net/W3FF. In September 2004 Budd worked every continent using 50 watts on his "bicycle mobile" and has logged more than 5,000 QSOs as "walking mobile" station.

W6HFP Chris Drummond is the president of Buddipole and his main interest, naturally, is HF portable operating and "lightweight" DXpeditions to remote locations. An avid backpacker and outdoorsman, Chris works to design products that will live up to his demanding expectations for rugged and versatile equipment for HF operating in the field. He was also a member of the VP2V Montseratt DXpedition with callsign VP2MHFP.

About the antennas: the Buddipole antenna system is designed to be a lightweight and versatile way to put an efficient station on the air in minutes in almost any terrain. By utilizing an interchangeable series of custom-made components the user is able to configure dozens of antenna designs optimized for their particular operating needs. The group to St.

Martin expects to operate dipoles in various configurations, verticals, vertical beams, mini-yagis, and other antennas using only Buddipole parts. Several new products will make their debut including a lightweight rotor, super cap power supply, LifePo4 battery packs, folding capacity hats, and shockcorded masts.


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solid;PADDING-TOP:0px;BORDER-BOTTOM:#d8d8d8 1px solid;FONT-FAMILY:Arial;}
#yiv1002059018 #ygrp-mkp HR {
BORDER-RIGHT:#d8d8d8 1px solid;BORDER-TOP:#d8d8d8 1px solid;BORDER-LEFT:#d8d8d8 1px
solid;BORDER-BOTTOM:#d8d8d8 1px solid;}
#yiv1002059018 #ygrp-mkp #hd {
FONT-WEIGHT:bold;FONT-SIZE:85%;MARGIN:10px 0px;COLOR:#628c2a;LINE-HEIGHT:122%;}
#yiv1002059018 #ygrp-mkp #ads {
MARGIN-BOTTOM:10px;}
#yiv1002059018 #ygrp-mkp .ad {
PADDING-RIGHT:0px;PADDING-LEFT:0px;PADDING-BOTTOM:0px;PADDING-TOP:0px;}
#yiv1002059018 #ygrp-mkp .ad A {
COLOR:#0000ff;TEXT-DECORATION:none;}
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8945. FW5RE spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 19:06:45 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8945 Message: 8945

My won't-go-away-cold has me home from work early today and in scanning the cluster spots I saw several for FW5RE. Aside from wanting a QSO myself, I was dumbfounded by a spot from a KC3 who felt he needed to post, to the world, that he could not hear the FW5 in W. PA. A WA1 in Washington (bet that really confused the FW5) had posted that he was workable on the left coast, as did several other left coast stations, and a W0 added that he also could hear the FW5.

I am incredulous that the KC3 would waste valuable space posting that he DID NOT HEAR the station. Like that's important?

What's wrong with us, collectively, when we have to boast that we can't hear a particular station.

73

Al, VE1AL

8946. CQ Magazine Country List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 21:56:52 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8946 Message: 8946

I just received my World Radio Replacement issue of CQ Mag and see that for their version of DXCC they recognize 339 countries vs the ARRL 338.

Who is missing from the ARRL List ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

8947. busting pile-ups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 22:09:45 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 8947 Message: 8947

Here's one way to do it, apparently -

7001.0 9K2/SP4R 27-Jan-2009 2145Z Andy pse call n8br 9K <N8BR>

Tee hee,
Derek aa5bt

8948. Re: [DX-IS] CQ Magazine Country List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 22:23:05 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 8946 Message: 8948

Kosova

Al
W4ABW
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8949. RE: [DX-IS] busting pile-ups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 22:55:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8947 Message: 8949

I won't waste my opportunity to make that kind of spot for a 9K2, Derek. I'm gonna wait for a legitimate P5 operation to try it :-). BTW, there was a minor pile-up when I worked him but he came back to VE1 and I scrambled through 25 minutes before that post.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 6:10 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] busting pile-ups

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7001.0 9K2/SP4R 27-Jan-2009 2145Z Andy pse call n8br 9K <N8BR>

Tee hee,
Derek aa5bt

Yahoo! Groups Links

8950. RE: [DX-IS] CQ Magazine Country List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 23:13:01 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 8946 Message: 8950

At the bottom of

http://dxmarathon.com/countrieslist/countrieslist.htm

it says

"This list of separate countries (entities) for the CQ World Wide DX Contest and the CQ DX Marathon is based on a combination of the ARRL DXCC list, additional entities on the WAE (Worked All Europe) list and the Italian island of Pantelleria (IG9/IH9), in CQ Zone 33 off the coast of North Africa. This provides a total of 345 entities, based on 338 DXCC entities, six additional
WAE entities (GM/Shetland, IT/Sicily, TA1/European Turkey, 4U1VIC, YU8 Kosovo, JW/Bear Is.) and African Italy"

If World Radio has changed the rules, they haven't updated their web site to reflect the change.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 4:57 PM
To: DX List - New
Subject: [DX-IS] CQ Magazine Country List

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8951. RE: [DX-IS] CQ Magazine Country List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 22:41:43 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8946 Message: 8951

I thought it was Sicily. Who recognizes Kosova?

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of W4ABW@...
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 6:23 PM
To: w1ksz@...; dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] CQ Magazine Country List

Kosova

Al
W4ABW

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8952. RE: [DX-IS] CQ Magazine Country List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-27 23:19:29 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8946 Message: 8952

Well, I was 1/7th right and 1/7th wrong. About par for the course.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 7:13 PM
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Yahoo! Groups Links

8953. KH4 open to ham radio again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-28 01:24:02 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 8946 Message: 8953

This little bit of news on the ARRL website was interesting reading this morning.

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/01/27/10596/?nc=1

Don
N1DG

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Webmaster: BS7H, 3Y0X, K5K, A52A, VK0IR, 9M0C, ZK1XXP, WB2DND/KH9, BQ9P, ZL9CI
QSL Manager: A61AD, A61AO, A61X, A61AQ
2006 inductee into the CQ Magazine DX Hall of Fame
Member: FOC, ARRL, DDXA, YCCC

SKYPE: aurumtel

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8954. VP8YL*

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-28 20:29:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8954 Message: 8954

Is anyone else as disappointed as I in that not one of the YLs on the Falklands expedition has operated on CW? Conditions haven't been all that good from this far north to the bottom of the world and while I got three of them (all on 20M SSB) a few nights ago, I haven't heard one of them since. If they'd operated CW, I bet I would have been more successful.

73

Al, VE1AL

8955. Re: [DX-IS] VP8YL*

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-28 20:37:24 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8954 Message: 8955

At 04:29 PM 1/28/2009, you wrote:
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>Falklands expedition has operated on CW? Conditions haven't been all that
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One of the "team", VP8DLS, was on 40M CW the other night. I
believe it is PA7DW, and I don't think a YL. Name is Jos.

73, Paul VE1DX

8956. Re: [DX-IS] VP8YL*

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-28 20:50:37 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 8954 Message: 8956

There must have been a gazillion spots for the VP8YL* stations.
I wonder what the great attraction is. Falkland isn't that rare.

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73 de Brian/K3KO

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>73, Paul VE1DX
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8957. RE: [DX-IS] VP8YL*

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-28 21:14:49 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8954 Message: 8957

There aren't many VP8 YL stations, Brian. Just another diversion. Why don't you just turn the spot alarm off and enjoy the quiet?

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Brian Alsop
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2009 4:51 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] VP8YL*

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Yahoo! Groups Links

8958. 160M SSB Contest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-29 18:01:45 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8958 Message: 8958

I see there is a 160 SSB Contest in February. I had a lot of fun in the CW contest last week, so guess I'll try this one.

I know there is no CW sub-band, but do the SSB guys operate anywhere during the contest or do they congregate in any special portion of the band.

You might have surmised that my 160 operating time has been limited (close to zero !!).

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

8959. Re: [DX-IS] 160M SSB Contest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-29 18:05:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8958 Message: 8959

At 02:01 PM 1/29/2009, you wrote:
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>CW contest last week, so guess I'll try this one.
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>to zero !!).
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>Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

They go pretty much anywhere from 1.800 MHz to 1.900 MHz, Dick.

73, Paul VE1DX

8960. Re: [DX-IS] 160M SSB Contest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-29 18:33:53 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 8958 Message: 8960

Also it depends on where your antenna is resonant, I don't remember going much above 1900 for contests. When calling CQ, I try to stay away from the lower end so the CW guys don't get too defensive. If I find someone calling CQ down there, that's different.

I am trying to work DX stations of course and also finish my WAS on 160. Need to find a Wyoming for my last state to work, plus confirm Delaware and Hawaii. I worked a Hawaii several months ago but have not got a card back yet. Also worked a Delaware several years ago. That fellow did not keep his contest logs back very far.

Did get Maine in the CW contest and it's on LOTW already, so down to the three.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE in July from beautiful Miquelon for the IARU contest

8961. ARLD004 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-29 23:26:40 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8961 Message: 8961

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ARLD004 DX news

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DX Bulletin 4 ARLD004
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 29, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD004 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AGALEGA AND ST. BRANDON ISLANDS, 3B6. Rashid, 3B8FQ is QRV as 3B7FQ from St. Brandon Island, IOTA AF-015, until February 12. He is here doing maintenance on the meteorological station, so he is active as time permits. Activity is on all bands, but mostly on 30, 20 and 17 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via K5XK.

TANZANIA, 5H. Sigi, DL7DF will be QRV as 5H1DF from Zanzibar Island, IOTA AF-032, from February 3 to 12 while on holiday. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV. QSL to home call.

MALAWI, 7Q. Harry, 7Q7HB is here for the next two months. Activity is on all bands using mostly CW, RTTY and PSK but will also use some SSB. QSL direct via G0IAS.

AZORES, CU. Operators CU8AS, HB9CQL and HB9CRV are QRV as CU5T from Sao Jorge Island, IOTA EU-137, until January 2. QSL via CT1GFK.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Gerhard, OE3GEA will be QRV as FR/OE3GEA from February 1 to 13. Activity will be on all bands using only CW. QSL to home call.

SCOTLAND, GM. Members from the Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC are QRV as GB250RB until December 31, 2009 in celebration of the 250th birthday of Scottish poet Robert Burns. QSL via operators' instructions.

THAILAND, HS. Joerg, DL1MJF is QRV as HS0ZGQ until February 12. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. He may try to be

active as HS0ZGQ/2 for one week from Koh Samui Island, IOTA AS-101. QSL to home call.

DJIBOUTI, J2. Elvira, IV3FSG is QRV as J20SE until February 12. She is active using SSB and RTTY mostly on 20 meters. QSL via IK3GES.

SAINT MARTIN, FS. Members of the Buddies of the Caribbean will be QRV as FS/homecalls from February 4 to 11. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

ST. MAARTEN, SABA, ST. EUSTATIUS, PJ5. In addition to their Saint Martin DXpedition, members of the Buddies of the Caribbean will also be QRV as PJ7/homecalls from St. Maarten during February 4 to 11. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

BELIZE, V3. Johnny, LA5IIA will be QRV as V31IA from February 2 to 6. Activity is most likely during his morning and evenings on 80 to 30 meters using CW and 20 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via LA4YW.

MICRONESIA, V6. Yuki, JH1NBN, is QRV as V63AQ from the islands of Pohnpei, IOTA OC-010, Kosrae, IOTA OC-059 and Chuuk, IOTA OC-011, until February 7 while on a business trip. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. Bob, VK0BP is currently working at Antarctic Davis Base Station, IOTA AN-016, until November 1. Activity is on the HF bands during his spare time. He is generally active on 20 meters from 1500 to 1800z using SSB and PSK31. He may also be active using other modes as well. QSL via VK2CA.

FALKLAND ISLANDS, VP8. Ghis, ON5NT is QRV as VP8/ON5NT until February 7. QSL to home call.

SOUTH GEORGIA ISLANDS, VP8. Lars, MM0DWF is currently on work assignment on South Georgia Island, IOTA AN-007, and will try to be active as VP8DIF in his spare time. Activity will be on the HF bands and he may try to use RTTY as well. QSL via DJ9ZB.

BERMUDA, VP9. In celebration of the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Bermuda by Sir George Somers, members of the Radio Society of Bermuda will be QRV as VP9400/xx. The xx suffix is the operator's callsign suffix. QSL via operators' instructions.

BURKINA FASO, XT. Michael, F1IQH is QRV as XT2WC from BoboDioulasso for two weeks. Activity is mainly on 20 meters, but also on other bands as propagation permits. QSL to home call.

PRINCE EDWARD AND MARION ISLANDS, ZS8. Petrus, ZS8T has been intermittently active on 20 meters from Marion Island, IOTA AF-021. He is here until March 31. QSL via LZ3HI.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC Sprint, WAB Top Band Phone Contest, QRP Winter Fireside SSB Sprint, EPC World Wide DX BPSK125 Contest, Black Sea Cup International 2009 and the ARS Spartan CW Sprint are all on tap for this weekend. Please see January QST, page 82, February QST, page 82 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3B7 - License in-hand, Rachid (3B8FQ) expects to be active as 3B7FQ from St. Brandon Island (AF-015) from 30 January until 12 February. This will primarily be a working trip for maintenance on the meteorological station on St. Brandon, with on-air operations as time allows. Rachid expects the 30, 20 and 17 metre bands to be the most productive, but will try all bands (80-10m), SSB and CW. He will be using 100 watts and a G5RV. QSL via K5XK. [TNX K5XK]
5H - Sigi, DL7DF will be active as 5H1DF from Zanzibar Island (AF-032), Tanzania on 3-13 February. It will be a holiday trip, but he plans to operate "as often as possibile" on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.dl7df.com/5h/index.html
9A - Special event station 9A48IFATCA will be active until 31 December to celebrate the 48th annual conference (Cavtat, 20-24 April) of the International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations, the worldwide organisation representing more than fifty thousand Air Traffic Controllers in 130 countries. QSL via 9A4WW. [TNX 9A4WW]
9M6 - John, 9M6XRO, and Steve, 9M6DXX, will be active from Sabah (OC-088) between 7 and 10 February. 9M6XRO will operate on 10-160 metres mainly CW from 7 to 10 February, concentrating on 80 and 160m CW; 9M6DXX will operate on 10-80 metres SSB only on 7 and 8 February, concentrating on 40 and 80m. They will use one station with full legal power (400W) to a Butternut HF6V vertical very close to the ocean on 10-80m, and a 17m-high inverted-L on 160m, again within a few metres of the ocean. Sunset in 9M6 is at 10.27 UTC, sunrise is at 22.33 UTC. QSL both 9M6XRO and 9M6DXX via M0URX. [TNX 9M6DXX]
CU - The Union of Radioamateurs of the Azores will operate as CU3URA from Contendas Lighthouse on 31 January and 1 February. Expect activity of all bands SSB, CW and digital modes. [TNX CT1END]
FR - Gerhard, OE3GEA will operate CW only as as FR/OE3GEA from Reunion Island (AF-016) on 1-13 February. QSL via home call, direct or

bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
FT - Gildas, TU5KG has left for another fishing campaign in the
Southern Indian Ocean. His new callsigns are FT5WP (Crozet) and
FT5XS (Kerguelen). He will be sailing in the areas of Crozet
(until about 7 March) and Kerguelen (between about 10 March and 15
April), but it is not clear if he will be able to land and operate
from the islands, or if his activities will be limited to /MM
operations. QSL via F4EFI, direct or bureau. [TNX F4EFI]
G - Tim, G4STH and his wife Hazel, G4YLO will be active as GB5OBH from
3 February until 3 March. The special callsigns commemorates the
50th anniversary of the death of the singer Buddy Holly. QSL via
G4STH, direct or bureau. [TNX G4STH]
KC4 - KC4USV from McMurdo Station on Ross Island (AN-011), Antarctica
will be QRV for Europe on 31 January and 1 February from 17 to 18
UTC on 14243 kHz. QSL via K1IED. [TNX VA3RJ]
P2 - Jerry, P29ZAD expects to be active in his spare time from Buka
Island (OC-135) on 7-26 February. QSL via NI5DX, direct or bureau.
[TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PJ6 - Chris/W6HFP, Steve/N0TU and Guy/N7UN, all part of the 4-11
February DXpedition to Saint Martin and Sint Maarten [425DXN 925],
will take a side trip to Saba Island (PJ6, NA-145) on 6-7
February. The "Buddies in the Caribbean" DX group has a blog page
at http://caribbeanbuddies.blogspot.com [TNX The Daily DX]
V3 - Johnny, LA5IIA (NQ2G) will be active holiday style as V31IA from
Placencia, Belize on 2-6 February. Expect him to operate CW on
80-30 metres and RTTY on 20 metres. QSL via LA4YW. [TNX The Daily
DX]
ZL7 - A team of nine operators from New Zealand (namely John/ZL1ALZ,
John/ZL1BYZ, Mike/ZL2CC, Lee/ZL2LE, Phil/ZL2RVW, Wayne/ZL2WG,
Mark/ZL3AB and team leaders Lee/ZL2AL and Morrie/ZL2AAA) will be
active as ZL7T from Kaiangaroa, Chatham Islands (OC-038) on 6-11
March. They will have four stations with amplifiers and be active
on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Their pilot will be
Duncan, ZL3JT (zl3jt@...). Further information can be
found at http://www.zl7t.com; a logsearch will be available after
the team returns home. QSL via ZL2AL, direct or bureau. Logs will
be uploaded to LoTW by September. [TNX ZL2AL]

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DESECHEO 2009 ---> K5D is the callsign reserved for the upcoming operation
from Desecheo Island, which is due to begin late in the day on 12 February
[425DXN 923].
In their latest press release, dated 26 January, the team asks "that you
not contact the DXpedition on any band/mode that you have confirmed from a
previous DXpedition", in order to "allow the people who really need a new

DXCC entity a better opportunity to get through the pileups". K5D will neither try "to establish a world record for contacts" nor encourage "competitions for most band/mode QSOs", so "if you have KP5 already confirmed on a particular band/mode, we respectfully ask that you exercise restraint".
The team has encountered higher expenses than anticipated. These mainly involve the transportation and feeding of other personnel (about ten people) that will be on the island with K5D to provide security and carry out field research. Please consider a contribution to the DXpedition to help with these incremental expenses - just go to http://www.kp5.us/ and click "How you can Help". [TNX K4UEE]

FW5RE ---> The Hungarin team on Wallis Island became active as FW5RE around 5 UTC on 27 January. They have a websiste at http://ha0du.com, where it is possibile to find updates and latest information. QSL via HA8IB.

LOGS ---> The log search for ZS8T (http://zs8t.net/online-logsearch/) now includes the QSOs Petrus logged through 25 January.

MIDWAY ATOLL ---> The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service has announced that they would once again allow amateur radio operators an opportunity to operate from Midway Atoll "on a trial basis". To ensure the safety of the wildlife on the Refuge, the USFWS said that Amateur Radio operations will be permitted for two weeks only, from 5 to 19 October 2009. Read the full story on http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/01/27/10596/?nc=1

QSL ZA1KP ---> Please note that Alfredo, IK7JWX is not the QSL manager for ZA1KP. QSL direct only to Miftar Fana, Klub Partizani, P.O. Box 1439, Tirana, Albania. [TNX IK7JWX]

+ SILENT KEYS + Hartmut "Hal" Weber (DJ7ST), the founder of the QRP Contest Community (www.qrpcc.de), passed away on 9th January. Other recently reported Silent Keys include: Solofo Randrenjason (5R8ET), John A. Crux (G3JAG), Bob Okas (W3CD), Gary N. Gompf (W7FG), Mohammad Balbisi (JY4MB), Stan Zway (ZS6SDZ) and Joseph J. Brohman (W2PUX), who passed away on 11 January at the age of 100.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A4A, 3B8/SP2JMB, 3B8CF, 3D2JU, 3DA0OK, 3DA0VB, 3X5A, 4J4K, 4S7NE, 4U1UN, 4W6AAB, 5H3VMB, 5N/IZ5CMB, 5N/LZ1QK, 5R8VB, 5X1GS, 5X1VB, 6V7M, 6W/DL4JS, 6Y1V, 7P8BA, 7Q7HB, 7Q7VB, 7U5CI, 7X5VRK, 8Q7IU, 9G5ZZ, 9H1SP, 9H1XT, 9J2VB, 9L1X (AF-056), 9M2AX, 9M6/N2BB, 9U0VB, 9V1F1, 9X0VB, A25VB, A5100A, A92GR, AH0V, AP2DKH, AT2RS (AS-199), BD1DRJ/4 (AS-135), BU2AI, BY1TX/3, C57R, C6AAQ, C6AMS (NA-080), C6APR (NA-113), C6ATA, C91VB, C91VB/4, C91XO, C98RF, CK7IG/1 (NA-010), CP6AA, CW2C, D20VB, D4C, D60VB, D9D (AS-045), DV1JM, E27EK, E51NOU, E51QQQ, EA9/SP2JMB, EA9IB, EK3SA, EL2DX, EP3PK, ER4DX, ER4ER, ES5GB, ET3AA, EY8MM, EZ21BO, EZ8BO, EZ8CQ, FJ/OH2AM, FJ/WJ2O, FM5CD, FO/DJ7RJ, FO/JJ2NYT, FO5RH, FS5KA, GB4HI (EU-124), GM3VLB/P (EU-123), H44MY, HC1HC, HC1JQ, HC2FN, HF0POL (AN-010), HK3JJH/HK0B (NA-133), HQ3Z, HQ7R, HS0ZEE, J20VB, J28JA, J3/DL7CM, J37T, J39BS, J49XB, J6/W0SA, J68V, J79WI, JD1BLY, JD1BMM, JT1BV, JT1KAI, JX9JKA, K5S (NA-082), K7A, KC4AAA, KH0AB, KH0ABT, KH6/JA6REX, KH6LC, KH6MA, KP2M, MD0CCE, MD4K, MS0DGR (EU-123), N3MK (NA-139), OA4BHY/2

(SA-075), OD5/F5PTM, OD5PL, OX/G3TXF, OX3KQ, OX3XR, OX5AA, OY9JD, P29NB, P29VLR, P40CG, P40TA, P40Y, PJ2T, PJ7/K1XM, PZ5TT, R35NP, S1A, S79NS (AF-024), S79NS/p (AF-033), S79WF, SK3W, SV1CQN, T209DX, T22ZL, T32CXX, T88CI, T88OO, TC4X, TL8CK, TM6M, TN5SN, TO2HI (NA-114), TO4E, TO4X, TO5DX, TT8DX, TT8JT, TT8PK, TY5MR, TY5ZR, UA2FFW, V26B, V31TP, V51AS, VK9CJW, VP9I, VP9KF, VQ9LA, VQ9RD, VR2PX, VU4AN, VU4RG, VU7NRO, VU7SJ, WH0S, WH6R, WP3C, WP4SK, XU7MDY, XV4BM (AS-128), XV4BX, XW1B, YJ0AQY, YL2GB, YN2BT, YN2I, YO5BRZ, YS4/K9GY, YS4RR, YU8/OH2R, Z2/UA4WHX, Z33A, Z36N, ZA0/I0SNY (EU-169), ZA0/I8LWL (EU-169), ZK2QQ, ZK3MW, ZL/IK1PMR (OC-210)ZP6/IK1PMR, ZP6/IZ1GLO, ZS2EZ, ZS6GAV, ZS9X.

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4U1UN HB9BOU ED6URB EA6ZX OP0P ON6DP
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5B4AHS/P RA3AUU EI100CQD EI0MAR PC25DIG PI4DIG
5B4PRC 5B4AHO EK6TA DJ0MCZ PI4NAF PA3GKB
5K0CW W5PF EN20IZZ UT5SI R0/UT5IA UT5IA
5V7BR F2VX ER0/UT0FT UT0FT R1ANR RZ3BJ
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A71CT EA7FTR GB5CQD G0OKF TM6M F4DXW
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AP2AHSF DL7UPN HG5BAMAKO HA5BSC UN3M EA7FTR
AP2TN DJ9ZB HI9/EA3BT EA3BT UN5J W3HNK
AT8FD VU2IIH HI9/EA3WL EA3BT UN7QF EX2A
AX0BP VK2BP HK1KYR EA5KB UN8LYA UA9AB
AX6ANC/P VK6NE HK1NK EA5KB UN9M DL8KAC
AX6JB M0URX HK1RRL EA5KB UP0L DL8KAC
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CN8YE EA7FTR JW5NM LA5NM VP8YLB M0ACL
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CO8LY EA7ADH KL5DX N5XZ VP8YLD LA6RHA
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CT9M CT3EE KP2/W3AVO JA3AVO VP8YLH PA3GQG
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CU2X OH2BH LX7I LX2A VQ9JC ND9M
CU3HQ EA3GHZ LX8RTTY LX1DA VY2ZM K1ZM
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CU8W CT1GFK LY1000W LY3W XT2WC F1IQH
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04/04-05/04 TC2FLH: Fenerbahce Lighthouse 920
09/04-13/04 C91FC: Mozambique 919
24/04-27/04 MM0BQI/p: Lunga Island (EU-108) 925
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8964. ARLP005 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-30 20:18:05 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 809 Message: 8964

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP005
ARLP005 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP05
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 5 ARLP005
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 30, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP005
ARLP005 Propagation de K7RA

In last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP004, we did not have the solar flux values resolved down to a tenth of a point like we always do. Really, resolving the solar flux down to that resolution is probably not very useful, but for those who use the WA4TTK solar plotting program to suck up the data and who are compulsive enough, here are the values for January 15-21, so you can correct your data: 71.1, 70.8, 71.9, 71.1, 70.8, 70.4, 69.4, with the mean value at 70.8.

On Tuesday, January 27 we saw another one of those "almost-a-sunspot" emerge in the Sun's low latitude, so it was probably an old Cycle 23 spot. The next day it was gone.

Geomagnetic conditions continue to be very quiet, although a bit unsettled on January 26. The forecast is for more of the same. Planetary A index should stay around five, and solar flux around 70.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts unsettled conditions for January 30, quiet to unsettled January 31, and quiet February 1-5.

This week we received one report about last weekend's CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. Rod Swiderski, NU2M of Watermill, New York, reported that band conditions were outstanding. He writes, "I worked 13 countries, 47 states, my first Alaskan station KL7RA (on 160) and 320 contacts. All with a mere 100 watts and a 160 dipole at 35 feet. I find it simply amazing how that band only appears 'open' during a contest."

Floyd Chowning, K5LA of El Paso, Texas wrote about excellent conditions on 6 meters on Sunday, January 25. He had just put up a new 5-element antenna, and said, "This morning I was running JT6M contacts with K7JIZ (DN40) and W6OUU (DN22) around 1541 UTC and signals were strong and steady. It must be sporadic-E skip. From then on the band opened up to California, Arizona, New Mexico,

Texas, Louisiana, Missouri, Florida and Iowa. Also, I heard a KP4 in Puerto Rico this morning but missed his call. This afternoon I worked several stations in Mexico in EK09, DK89 and DL90 beginning around 2040 UTC. I also worked TI7/N5NEK (EK70), TI8II (EJ01) and YN2N (EK71). I worked all the stations on USB. What a day for DX on 6 Meters. I also heard HP1AC on CW but did not work him. I heard stations as close as Albuquerque, Phoenix, and Odessa, Texas, less than 300 hundred miles. I had my radio on 144.2 MHz but nothing broke my squelch."

Floyd mentioned JT6M, which is a tool for running meteor scatter communications. For more about JT6M, see http://www.jt6m.org/.

This week I received a copy of a remarkable old letter, sent by Jim Mast, W8HOM, of Fort Wayne, Indiana. It was written on the last day of 1975 by Ed Tilton, W1HDQ, the ham who originated the ARRL Propagation Bulletin and wrote it until 1991. This letter was addressed to Jim back when his call was K9UNM. The letter talks about 10 meter propagation via meteor scatter and the recent 1975 ARRL 10 Meter contest. It mentions W4IWZ, the call sign that belonged to Francis Harper, of Nokesville, Virginia. The letter was typed on an old manual typewriter.

Here is what the letter said.

Dear Jim:

We certainly have heard of 10-meter meteor propagation. The date of the contest was chosen with the Geminids shower in mind. This best of the winter showers has been a factor in the contest results for all three runnings of the affair in "modern" times.

I think the 1975 contest may have hit the shower at the most opportune time, as the effects seemed very apparent almost continually during the whole weekend. The Geminids show more night-time activity than any other shower, but there seemed to be a considerable amount of meteor burst propagation right through the whole period this year. There is always a tendency to have E propagation in mid-December, and this was also a factor in the date selection. I hope that the propaganda some people have generated for a change of season does not prevail. To my mind, this is an excellent choice.

For some reason I didn't get to work W4IWZ in this contest. He and I used to be in touch almost daily, when I was at home every day, in 1973 and early 1974. I guess we've worked by means of about every form of propagation there is, at one time or another, and have seen the effects of several meteor showers. At slightly over 300 miles, he is at a very interesting distance from me. We have found that we always have a basic tropo-scatter signal, and can recognize each other on CW at almost any time. He has at least a 10-dB advantage in power, but somehow he manages to hear me every time I call him.

Needless to say, I read him better than he reads me, with my 40 watts output, maximum, we have had many good QSOs, by back-scatter and short sporadic-E skip. His signal is mildly affected by tropospheric bending, too, though I'm sure we'd get more of that on higher frequencies. We see every kind of ionospheric effect on this path, at one time or another, and have had many backscatter QSOs, from many different directions.

Meteor ionization, being an E-region phenomenon, is very common on 28 MHz. The only reason why I can account for the unawareness of it on the part of many 10-meter buffs is that most of them tend to disregard weak signals, or they expect the band to be dead for 3 or 4 years out of every 10. You can hear meteor bursts any morning, 365 mornings per year, on 10. Keep morning skeds for a while, with people at distances where the direct signal is weak, and you'll hear them much better than on 144 or even 50 MHz. During major showers they even give the impression that that band is 'open'-- which it always is, anyway. Ask Harper - he'll tell you that!

vy 73
Ed Tilton, W1HDQ

I thought this letter was so interesting and timely, considering recent discussions about meteor scatter propagation on HF, that it should run here in its entirety. Thanks, Jim, for hanging on to it for 33 years, and sharing it with us.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for January 22 through 28 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 69, 70, 68.8, 69.8, 69.9, 69.7, and 69.5 with a mean of 69.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 1, 1, 1, 10, 4 and 2 with a mean of 2.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 1, 1, 1, 9, 2 and 1 with a mean of 2.1.
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8965. VU7NRO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-30 22:28:25 UTC
From: Mark Blanton
Topic: 8965 Message: 8965

I got my VU7NRO card in today's mail.

73,
Mark WC5M

8966. H40

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-31 18:41:23 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 8966 Message: 8966

Article on QRZ about a H40 expedition begining in early March.
FYI for those who have not read it.
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Dale K8TS

8967. it's catching on

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-31 21:09:37 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 8967 Message: 8967

the pile-up busting technique, that is:

10103.0 A61Q 31-Jan-2009 2046Z listen for me A6 <K2HVN>

Don't forget, folks, when you are rare DX or on an expedition -
stop working the callers, log into a DX cluster, and watch for
people asking you to listen up for Generals, go to 160, why no
RTTY, or can't hear in Podunk.

I was turning the big knob in the middle of the radio yesterday
and heard FW5RE calling CQ on 14005. Nobody was calling, so after
he'd CQed a few times I gave a shout and worked him simplex. Nobody
else called for a few mins, then a W5 called and worked him, then no
other callers for a minute or so. None of us spotted him on the
cluster. It was just like the Olde Dayes.

I must be getting old...

Derek
aa5bt

8968. Re: [DX-IS] it's catching on

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-31 22:25:45 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 8967 Message: 8968

Oh man! What do you mean you didn't spot him? Geez... that's the last one I needed for virtual Honor Roll! I'm selling my radios... (again)...

73 de Bob - KØRC in CHS

MN QSO Party next Saturday 7-Feb-2009 on a radio near you. Details here: www.w0aa.org

----- Original Message -----
From: Derek Wills
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, January 31, 2009 3:09 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] it's catching on

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8969. Latest Rumor: MFJ Buys Ten-Tec

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-01-31 22:44:50 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8969 Message: 8969

I just saw this on a News-Group. Anyone else hear this ??

73, Dick, W1KSZ

8970. PSK125

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 02:59:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8970 Message: 8970

Worked a few stations in the EPC contest using PSK125 (neat mode
. . . fast compared to PSK31.) Anyhow, as far as DXCC is concerned,
are they equivalent to RTTY QSOs?

73, Paul VE1DX

8971. [425ENG] The Topmode of February

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 06:16:51 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8971 Message: 8971

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Below the top 25 of the topmode
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPMODE
01/02/2009
NR CALL SSB CW RTTY Tot Date

1 SM0AJU 338 337 336 1011 24/02/2008
2 DJ2BW 338 337 336 1011 01/05/2008
3 N4WW 338 337 336 1011 17/05/2008
4 OH3SR 338 337 335 1010 09/12/2008
5 OH2LU 338 337 335 1010 05/04/2008
6 N2TU 338 337 335 1010 03/03/2008
7 W2UP 338 336 336 1010 01/04/2008
8 N5FG 338 337 335 1010 01/10/2008
9 W5ZPA 338 337 335 1010 20/02/2008
10 N2QT 338 337 334 1009 06/05/2008
11 SL0ZG 338 337 333 1008 24/02/2008
12 N4CC 338 336 334 1008 01/09/2008
13 WB4UBD 338 335 335 1008 20/02/2008
14 OH2BU 338 337 332 1007 28/02/2008
15 OH2DW 338 337 332 1007 05/03/2008
16 W3YX 337 336 334 1007 30/05/2007
17 VA3DX 338 337 332 1007 22/02/2008
18 W5FKX 337 336 333 1006 02/06/2008
19 SM5DJZ 338 337 330 1005 03/01/2009
20 N5ZM 338 336 330 1004 30/05/2008
21 DJ2YA 338 337 328 1003 03/03/2008
22 I5FLN 338 329 336 1003 01/03/2008
23 K7XB 338 336 329 1003 27/03/2008
24 G4BWP 337 337 329 1003 01/09/2008
25 NI4H 336 335 332 1003 16/02/2007

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8972. ASIAN DX Heard on PSK-31

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 14:16:04 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 8972 Message: 8972

Heard yesterday (late afternoon)

BA5AP China 14,070.9 PSK 2009-31-01 22:42 AB9M PSK PSK31
UA0CIC Asiatic Russia 14,071.4 PSK 2009-31-01 22:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
UA0FO Asiatic Russia 14,070.5 PSK 2009-31-01 22:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
UA0LH Asiatic Russia 14,071.2 PSK 2009-31-01 22:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
JA5JGY Japan 14,071.2 PSK 2009-31-01 22:47 AB9M PSK PSK31
JA2DXD Japan 14,070.8 PSK 2009-31-01 22:48 AB9M PSK PSK31
HL5JCB Republic of Korea 14,071.7 PSK 2009-31-01 23:05 AB9M PSK PSK31

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

8973. Re: [DX-IS] ASIAN DX Heard on PSK-31

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 14:32:27 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8972 Message: 8973

At 10:16 AM 2/1/2009, you wrote:
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>Heard yesterday (late afternoon)
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>BA5AP China 14,070.9 PSK
>2009-31-01 22:42 AB9M PSK PSK31
>UA0CIC Asiatic
>Russia 14,071.4 PSK 2009-31-01
>22:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
>UA0FO Asiatic
>Russia 14,070.5 PSK 2009-31-01
>22:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
>UA0LH Asiatic
>Russia 14,071.2 PSK 2009-31-01
>22:46 AB9M PSK PSK31
>JA5JGY Japan 14,071.2 PSK
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>2009-31-01 22:48 AB9M PSK PSK31
>HL5JCB Republic of
>Korea 14,071.7 PSK 2009-31-01
>23:05 AB9M PSK PSK31
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>Best regards,
>
>CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M

That's some fairly good DX, Gary. These new digital modes (I guess PSK31 isn't really very new) do have some advantages. There are times when they pull signals out of the noise that simply shouldn't be there.

WSJT (never used it or even seen it in use) reportedly can haul 50-MHz and VHF/UHF signals out of the noise that cannot be detected by ear. I gather the 6M and EME types are making QSOs with it that they never could have done with CW/SSB/RTTY.

I still like the traditional three (CW/SSB/RTTY), but these newer digital modes do offer advantages in a time of poor propagation and marginal conditions. I worked a ZL on PSK125 yesterday and they are rare right now from Nova Scotia.

At the top of the cycle they were all over the place, but with the flux stuck at 69-70, we may all be operating PSK31, etc.

73, Paul VE1DX

8974. W7A ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 20:44:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8974 Message: 8974

I've heard W7A several times today and just worked whoever it is. I can't find anything on the net that tells me why this call is being used and I don't recall reading anything about it recently. Anyone know who/what/where/why?

73

Al, VE1AL

8975. Re: [DX-IS] W7A ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 21:11:33 UTC
From: Michael Keane K1MK
Topic: 8974 Message: 8975

For any US 1x1 call, one can consult the 1x1 call sign database at
<http://www.ncvec.org/1x1.php>

For W7A we find: Football Superbowl Fun Activity Event, 28 Jan 09 to 02
Feb 09

73,
Mike K1MK

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> find anything on the net that tells me why this call is being used and I
> don't recall reading anything about it recently. Anyone know
> who/what/where/why?
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> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>

8976. Re: W7A ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 21:19:11 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 8974 Message: 8976

Thanks, Mike and Don. I'm afraid I'm not a fan of the Stupid Bowl (I'm not a fan of Canadian football either). However, thanks for that URL. I shall consult it in the future.

73

Al, VE1AL

8977. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #894

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 20:11:44 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 8977 Message: 8977

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th/January, through Sunday, 1st/February there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B6, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FT5W, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/g, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B7, ST. BRANDON ISLAND (Update). Ron, K5XK, updates OPDX that Rachid, 3B8FQ, has license in-hand, and expects to activate St. Brandon Island (AF-015) for almost two weeks between Friday, January 30th and Thursday, February 12th. The callsign will be 3B7FQ. This will primarily be a working trip for maintenance on the meteorological station on St. Brandon, with on-air operations as time allows. Rachid expects that the 30/20/17

meter bands to be the most productive but will try all bands, 80-10 meters. Rachid will use CW and SSB. On CW, look for Rachid near the bottom of the band, "on the 8's" such as 10108, 14008, and 18078 kHz. He will be using only 100 watts and a G5RV antenna. He also plans to be active later in the year as 3B9FQ (from Rodriguez Island) while on holiday in July. QSL 3B7FQ, 3B8FQ, 3B6FQ and 3B9FQ via K5XK per instructions on QRZ.com.

5H, TANZANIA (IOTA Op). Just a reminder that Sigi/DL7DF and his XYL Sabine will be on holiday in Zanzibar (AF-032), February 3-13th. Look for Sigi to sign 5H1DF and be active on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV as often as possible. His equipment consists of a trans-ceiver, a linear TY900, a 18m Lowband Vertical, a Vertical R7, as well as a laptop computer. QSL via DL7DF, by the German QSL Bureau (DARC) or direct to: Sigi Presch, Wilhelmsmuehlenweg 123, D-12621 Berlin, Germany. For updates and more details, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/5h/index.html

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK NEWS.....
PLEASE REMEMBER - Stations that are active and signing "/ANT" may NOT be in the Antarctic!

Just a reminder that the Worldwide Antarctic Program's (WAP) 6th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) will take place between 0000z, February 16th and 2400z, February 22nd. For details, see: http://www.waponline.it This year's WAP AAW event is in collaboration with Italian Air Force, the National Antarctic Museum (MNA-Genova) and the Italian Ham Radio Association: ARI Mondovi, ARI-Genova and ARI Massa-Carrara. The AAW is an unique world-wide event where Hams are "celebrating and working to improve Worldwide interest around the Antarctic Continent and its related matters, to understand and share what the Nations and Organizations are doing to study and protect this still non contaminated corner of the world and share from there, a message of peace." Gianni, I1HYW, states (edited), "A number of operators (see list below) will be activating radio stations from at least 13 countries world-wide. The aim of AAW (also next March 1st, will see the end of the International Polar Year), is precisely that of gathering international scientific activities and the Ham's AAW, with particular reference to logistic and weather-related aspects, developed jointly with the major world-wide scientific organ-izations and international scientific community in a climate of mutual practical data sharing, with respect of the economic forces and logistic elements vital to the continuation of scientific research in a corner of the world which harbors the very secret of our existence."
The AAW is celebrated every year during the last week of February, and it also coincides with Argentine's celebration of their Antarctica Day (see http://www.marambio.aq) on February 22nd. As of print time, the following stations are expected to be active during the AAW event:
WAP-002 IR1ANT via I1HYW WAP-128 DA0ANT via DC2SF
WAP-025 II5ANT via IZ5BTC WAP-130 IR2WAP via IK2FIQ
WAP-030 II2ANT via I2JJR WAP-148 VA3AAO via VE3XN
WAP-030 II2ANT/6 via I2JJR WAP-151 S50IPY via S51RU
WAP-044 IU8ANT via I8QJU WAP-153 5D0IPY via I0YKN

WAP-052 IU2ANT via IK2QPR WAP-154 TM8ICE via F8DVD
WAP-070 VA7AAW via VE7IG WAP-156 DR09ANT via DL5MHQ
WAP-072 GB0ANT via M3ZYZ WAP-157 IP9IPY via IT9YMM
WAP-073 K4A via K6EID WAP-159 IR1WAP via IZ1GJK
WAP-081 HE8ICE via HB9BHY WAP-160 II5AM via IK2IWU
WAP-085 OE3WWB/AAW via OE3WWB WAP-161 IY8WAP via IK8WEJ
WAP-086 OE3RPB/AAW via OE3RPB WAP-162 UT1KY/WAP via UT1KY
WAP-088 OE3KKA/AAW via OE3KKA WAP-163 UT7UA/WAP via UT7UA
WAP-089 OE3AIS/AAW via OE3AIS WAP-164 UR5KGG/WAP via UR5KGG
WAP-090 OE3SGA/AAW via OE3SGA WAP-165 UR8LV/WAP via UR8LV
WAP-091 N5T/ANT via W5BOS WAP-166 UR5KCC/WAP via UR5KCC
WAP-094 IA0IPY via I0YKN WAP-167 UR2XO/WAP via UR2XO
WAP-098 GB4IPY via M3ZYZ WAP-168 LZ06ANT via LZ3SM
WAP-109 VA2WAP via VE2LHP WAP-169 LZ09IPY via LZ3SM
WAP-111 VA3WAP via VA3NQ WAP-170 UE6ICE via UE6GG
WAP-125 OE3HM/AAW via OE3HM WAP-171 EG2ANT via EA2RC
WAP-126 OE3AGA/AAW via OE3AGA

For an updated list, please visit the WAP Web page at:
http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid=113

* Phil, K6EID, from Marietta, Georgia, informs OPDX that he will be signing K4A for the AAW. He wants to remind everyone that in the past many of the AAW operators append "/ANT" to their callsign for AAW. He has refused to do that because Russian hams have used "/ANT" while they were in Antarctica, and he doesn't want to mislead anyone. It is possible that many of the newbie hams can be fooled by this, thinking they are working Antarctica. So, please remember that during the AAW there will be a lots of stations with zany callsigns operating, and some will inevitably append "/ANT." They are not in the Antarctica, they are in the home country indicated by the prefix. There are no current Antarctic stations signing "/ANT". Most of these special event station callsigns will issue a special QSL, but they are not the Antarctica!

C2, NAURU. Dani, EA4ATI, who is now active as 9M2TI from Malaysia, informs OPDX that he is preparing for a DXpedition (with a team of operators) to activate Nauru in the Pacific sometime in May. The callsign will be C21TI. Travelling through Australia to get to Nauru, tentative dates will be either from May 3-17th (after the cyclone season) or May 16-30th. Dani states, "I am preparing the logistics with a friend from Nauru that I met in Malaysia during a ITU workshop last November, but we will probably stay in the Od'N Aiwo Hotel." This is the same location that previous DXpeditions to Nauru have used (such as C21BH, C21SX, C21XF, etc). The composition of the team is not finished yet, but Dani is looking for CW, SSB and RTTY operators. Ruben, C21RK, was mentioned as part of the team. Activity will be on all HF bands including 60m and 6m. The suggested frequencies mentioned (as of now) are:
CW - 1825.5, 3505, 7005, 10110, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025
SSB - 1825.5, 3799, 5371.5, 7065, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
6m - 50.115 MHz (CW/SSB)

They currently have two transceivers with HF amplifiers and will use a yagi beam antenna for 20/15/10 meters and several dipole antennas (ed. they are looking for additional antennas). Dani mentions that they will have a satphone for data connection. QSL will be via EA4ATI. A Web page has been created for the DXpedition (still not finished) at: http://c21ti.madrono.net/index.php?newlang=3Denglish
A study of propagation with a proposed band plan for the DXpedition will be posted on their Web page. This study will be done by the Technical University of Malaysia. They have not yet estimated a QSO target, but it will not be less than 20,000. The estimated budget for their DXpedition is 14,500 USDs and the team is looking for funding as well as more operators. If interested in helping, see details on the Web page. ADDED NOTE: You may know Dani, EA4ATI/9M2TI, from the following operations: XT2ATI, XT2TI, HP2PL, Z39A, 6W1EA, 6W1/EA4ATI, HP1/EA4ATI, HI5/EA4ATI, HI3CCP, HI3C, 3XY9B, etc.....

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Bob/N4BP (C6AKQ) and Kevin/K4PG (C6APG) will once again be active between February 18-22nd. Look for them to be active on 30/17/12 meter bands between antenna jobs. Bob and Kevin currently plan on operating 160 meters and either 40 or 80 meters in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd). Kevin states, "There is no third person with us this year. Not too late! Please look for us; we need the work! Thanks." QSL to their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Mark/NA6M, Renee/N5RNA, Craig/W5TSN, Scott/K2CK and Pete/K9OWQ will be active as C6AMS from New Providence (Nassau, NA-001, WLOTA LH-1115), June 1-14th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via NA6M, direct only. Updates and more information can be found at: http://www.c6ams.com

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Simon, M0VKY, will be active as EA8/homecall from Lanzarote Island (AF-004, DIE S-007, WLOTA LH-0099) between March 31st and April 5th. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters using a FT-857D and 1/2 wave dipoles. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

ES, ESTONIA. Operators Juri/ES5GP, Toomas/ES5RY and Vilnis/YL2KF will be active as ES5Q during the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 14-15th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via ES5RY.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON (NA-032). Operators Paul/K9OT and Peg/KB9LIE plan on operating from Miquelon Island as FP/homecalls, July 10-18th. They will also participate in the IARU HF World Championship Contest (July 12-13th). Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Paul/K9OT prefers CW on 30 meters and down, while Peg/KB9LIE likes SSB, especially on 17, 20 and 40 meters. Location will be Room 5 at Motel de Miquelon (formerly Maxotel). QSL direct with return postage; bureau and LoTW okay. No eQSL. Their Web site is at: http://hamradio.pnpfarms.com

FT5W, CROZET ISLAND (Update). Reports indicate that Florentin, F4DYW, was heard as FT5WO this past Sunday, on 14222 kHz between 1445-1640z. Signal reports were very weak. Remember, he will stay there until the

end of November 2009, and will return back home in early 2010. QSL via F4DYW, direct or by the bureau after he returns back home. Look for updates on: http://f4dyw.free.fr/index.php?langue=fr&contenu=ft5wo.html

FT5W & FT5X, CROZET AND KERGUELEN ISLANDS. Gildas, TU5KG, is once again sailing in the Southern Indian Ocean on a fishing boat. As he sails around the Crozet region between now and March 7th, there is a possibility that he may land on Crozet and operate as FT5WP. Also, beware that Gildas is expected to sail around the Kerguelen region between March 10th and April 15th. Again, he may be active from Port aux Francais possibly on March 7th. A stop on Kerguelen at the beginning of March is necessary before the return trip. PLEASE pay attention to his callsign. He may be signing as maritime mobile "/mm". QSL via F4EFI, by the REF Bureau 29 or direct.

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA ISLANDS (Update). Eli, HA9RE, and a team of operators are now active from Wallis Island as FW5RE until about the end of February. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. Two stations will be on the air. The group has been very active on the lower bands. QSL Manager is HA8IB. A Web page is up and running now with updates, pictures and a log search at: http://www.ha0du.com/index.php

GD8/GT4/GT6, ISLE OF MAN. Members of Barry Amateur Radio Society (BARS) from South Wales will be going on a expedition to the Isle of Man from Saturday, March 28th to Saturday, April 4th. The team will consist of Glyn/GW0ANA, Curtis/MW0USK, Franz/DJ9ZB, Jan/DJ8NK, Thomas/DJ6OI, Alois/ DL8RBL and Yasu (a JA DX operator), Lois/MW3LOI (YL) and their wives & partners. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The 6 meter band will be monitored for openings. The callsign to be used during the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) will be GD8K. The callsign OUTSIDE of contest will be GT4BRS (Please note the GT prefix is special callsign for the Isle of Man. GW0ANA states, "Remember TT Races on IOM".) The callsign for the DATA Modes (RTTY, PSK31) will be GT6BRS. All QSL cards are via the QSL Manager GW0ANA, by the Bureau or direct. For direct cards only use one IRC or 2 USDs.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. Operators Siegfried/DK9FN, Bernhard/DL2GAC/H44MS and Herrmann/DL2NUD will be active (possibly as H40FN, H40MS and H40??) between March 2-16th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters and 2m EME. Look for Siegfried/DK9FN to operate only CW, Bernhard/DL2GAC on SSB and Herrmann/DL2NUD on 2m EME. QSL Manager for H40FN is via HA8FW (Siegfried states that all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the MRASZ QSL Bureau by QSL card when he returns home). QSL the other callsigns via their home callsign. For more info, pictures of DK9FN's last operation from Temotu and possibly updates, visit DK9FN's Web page at: http://hari-ham.com/h40fn

H81, PANAMA (Lighthouse Activity). Members of the Radio Club of Panama (HP1RCP) and Panama Canal Amateur Radio Association (PCARA) will be activating Miraflores Lock's Lighthouse (PAN-030) in the Panama Canal using the special callsign H81L between February 14-15th. Activity will

be on all bands and modes. QSL via HP1RCP. Visit the following Web page to see a picture of the lighthouse at:
http://www.geocities.com/canallights2000/miraflorespics.html

HC, ECUADOR. Dr. Rick, NE8Z, tells OPDX that he will once again be heading south to Ecuador and plans to be active with the following callsigns from various locations as follows:
HC1MD/HC4 - February 20-27th; QTHs: Same & Tonsupa, Esmeraldas Province (Pacific beach homes)
HC1MD - February 28th-March 8th; QTH: Tumbaco, Pichincha Province
Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via K8LJG: John Kroll, 3528 Craig Drive, Flint, MI 48506 USA. Rick suggests to view the the HC/Ecuador and HC8/Galapagos DX-Diplomas on the following Web page at: http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Operators Edwin/HI3K, Tino/HI3CCP and Andy/VE9DX will be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as HI3K (March 7-8th) from Lomas del Toro in Santiago (Lomadeltoro Contest Team's HI3CCP station):
http://www.lomadeltoro.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. (REAL EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT) Operator Luigi, IK8HCG, will be active as IG9R from Lampedusa Island, African Italy, during the next CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL via IK8HCG.

AS-115. Rene, DL2JRM, will be active as TA0/DL2JRM/p from Kekova Island, Turkey, February 23-25th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-029. Ben, DO1BEN, will be active as OZ/homecall from Lolland Island (DIA SJ-015), April 9-17th. Activity will be on all HF bands using SSB and sometimes digital modes. Location is 5 meters from the Baltic Sea. QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau or direct.

EU-146. Rene, DL2JRM, will be active as PA/DL2JRM/p from Schouwen Duiveland, February 14-15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

NA-102. Iiario, IV3CGJ, will be active as FB/IV3CGJ/p from Marie Galante Island (DIFO FG-008, WLOTA LH-4241), Guadeloupe, February 13-24th. Activity will be holiday-style on 80-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

J7, DOMINICA. John, K3TEJ, will active from here between February 11-27th. Activity will be on CW and RTTY with a focus on 160/30/17/12 meters. He will also be in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 14-15th) and the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as Single-Op/All-Band entries signing J7N for both contests. QSL via K3TEJ.

JD1/M, MINAMI TORISHIMA (OC-073). Operators Masa/JA6GXK (JD1BMM) and Kingo/JK1PCN (JD1BND) are now active until February 9th. Activity will

be limited because they are on a business trip to the island, so they will be active during their little spare time. Over the past week Masa was on 160/80/40 meters. QSL JD1BMM by the JARL Bureau or direct to: Masafumi Ishihara, 2-305 Loran, 2-5-35 Miyazaki, Chuo-ku, Chiba, 260-0806 Japan). QSL JD1BND by the bureau to JD1BND.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND (Amateur Radio Operations to Begin Again). The ARRL Web page reports, "The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) announced on Monday, January 26th, that they would once again allow Amateur Radio operators the opportunity to operate from Midway Atoll. This is the first time that USFWS has allowed amateurs to operate from the wildlife refuge since 2002. The USFWS started a program earlier this month to encourage visitors to experience Midway's wildlife, history and culture, as well as non-wildlife-dependent activities -- including Amateur Radio. To ensure the safety of the wildlife on the Refuge, the USFWS said that Amateur Radio operations will be permitted for two weeks only, from October 5-19th, 2009. 'Radio operation will be allowed only within a designated area on the north side of Sand Island and the use of portable generators will not be permitted,' said Midway Atoll Refuge Manager Matt D. Brown. 'There is 120 V power available at the operation site. Any modifications to the island power grid/infrastructure must be approved in advance and be paid for entirely by the radio operators.' All participants will be required to attend a refuge orientation shortly after arrival that is designed to enhance visitor safety, wildlife protection and overall enjoyment of the wildlife refuge." To read the complete press release, go to: http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/01/27/10596/

NAQCC PRESS RELEASE (Preserve and Encourage CW Activity in 2009!!). New Years 2009 may have come and gone, but it's never too late to resolve to help preserve and encourage CW activity across our amateur bands. To celebrate the new year, come and join the NAQCC (North American QRP CW Club), a club for any and ALL CW enthusiasts around the world.
Our members include "Big Gun" contesters, hard-core QRPers, experimenters, ragchewers and SWLers; young and old alike. As different as we may be, we all share one thing in common, and that is our love for CW.
We welcome all who want to help support CW and have at least some interest in using QRP from time-to-time. Our club runs monthly sprints and challenges. Plus we sponsor some additional special on-air activities during the year.
Membership is FREE and once you join you're automatically a lifetime member! So sign up today and help us keep CW alive and well.
Visit our web site at http://www.usatek.net/~yoel/. You'll find info on all of our various activities plus an online membership application.
We look forward to your support and hope to soon see your call added to our membership roster.... 73, Paul/KD2MX, NAQCC Membership Recruiter
On behalf of: Tom, WY3H - NAQCC President
John, K3WWP - NAQCC Vice President
Larry, W2LJ - NAQCC Asst. Publicity Director
Dave, VA3RJ/VE3JDR - NAQCC Publicity Officer

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Jan, PA4JJ, informs OPDX that he will be on a short holiday trip to the Island of Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) and will be active as PJ2/PA4JJ. He will leave Amsterdam on March 30th and expects to be on the island until April 11th. Jan states that he will be the only ham in a party of 4, so he will try to be active as much as he can. Activity will be on all ham bands with a focus on 30/17/12 meters and the DIGI modes (RTTY and/or PSK31). QSL cards are direct to PA4JJ. If Jan has access to the Internet, he will provide an online log on his Web site (or as soon as possible after his return home) at: http://www.pa4jj.nl/html/pj2_pa4jj.html

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES (Update - Referendum on Curacao). Hans Timmerman, PB2T, President of the European DX Foundation (EUDXF), reported on the EUDXF Web page on Friday, January 30th: "Where I had the impression that Curacao had a clear position on its future political status it appears that another referendum will be necessary to decide on the future of this island. On Curacao a committee has been installed that will lead a referendum that addresses the planned political change. On February 2nd, 2009, at the latest, this committee will propose the date for the referendum and it will propose the exact question for the referendum. A final decision will be taken by the local government of the island. In the meantime the chairman of the committee stepped down because he appeared to be too controversial. To be continued...."

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
LOTW REACHES 200 MILLION QSOS! "The ARRL Letter" reports that on January 16th, the "Logbook of The World" (LoTW) hit the 200 million mark during the upload of four years' worth of logs (about 25k QSOs), by Vic Kean Jr., K1LT, of Carroll, Ohio. To celebrate Kean's submission of the 200 millionth QSO, the ARRL has awarded him lifetime free LoTW credits and free ARRL Awards as he qualifies for them. Read the complete press release at: http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/01/22/10576/?nc=1

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD NOW EASIER THAN Ever! Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Manager, reports: "In order to better accommodate new users as well as existing account holders, ARRL's Logbook of The World (LoTW) has been updated. According to ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Assistant Manager Norm Fusaro, W3IZ, these improvements were made based on tracking Manager LoTW help questions and listening to users. 'Through the efforts of Membership and Volunteer Services Dave Patton and Information Technology Manager Jon Bloom, we have also added an automated results table on the LoTW Users Home Page that lists members in numeric order who have achieved the Triple Play Award,' said ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B. 'IT personnel have also fixed a number of long standing issues with Logbook in recent weeks, and some additional enhancements are underway.'
Some things that have been added:
* An LoTW User's Corner that includes quick links to log onto your account, save or renew a certificate and ways to address PC failure.

* The GET STARTED section <http://www.arrl.org/lotw/start.html> has been simplified with links for each of the four steps in the

certificate process.

* LoTW instructions are now available in nine languages: English, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Russian, Slovenian and Spanish. Options to select a language have always been available, but they have now been moved up front to the GET STARTED page. The languages are identified with icons of flags to represent each language.

* The GET STARTED pdf file has been updated to include new screenshots and refinement of some of the processes.

* The software download section now consists of only three icons representing the three operating systems for which software is available: Windows, Mac and Linux. The user simply selects their operating system and they are redirected to the download specific to their system.

* A new link has been added for QSL Manager, Club Calls and DX-peditions. This link gives details on establishing an account for these special operations and includes a section for 1×1 call signs.

* A new PowerPoint overview is available from the LoTW site. This presentation has also been added to our multimedia library. <http://arrl.org/multimedia>
The program is an overview of LoTW and what users can expect from the service. There are screenshots of LoTW pages, as well as a condensed version of the certificate and award application process.

With more than 200 million QSOs submitted, ARRL's Logbook of The World system is a repository of log records submitted by users from around the world. When both participants in a QSO submit matching QSO records to LoTW, the result is a QSL that can be used for ARRL award credit. Yaesu is the principal sponsor of the LoTW Web site."

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Alfredo, IK7JWX, reports that he is NOT the QSL Manager for ZA1KP. QSL ZA1KP only direct to: Miftar Fana, Klub Partizani, P.O.BOX 1439, TIRANA, Albania.

QSL MANAGER NEEDED. Omar, 4L5O, from Tbilisi, informs OPDX that he is looking for or is in need of a QSL Manager in the USA. If interested in being his QSL Manager, please contact him at:
4L@... -or- OMARI@...

QSLS VIA LOTW: 6Y5/WD3Q, 9L1/WD3Q, J20BY, WD3Q/HI3, OX3DB, OY3JE and VK9DWX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3X5A, 5N/LZ1QK, 6V7M, 6W/DL4JS, 7X5VRK, 9M6NA, 9V1F1, A5100A, A92GR, D44CF, ER4DX, EA6SX, EL2DX, F5PFP, GM4YXI, H44MY, HC1HC, HC1JQ, HK3JJH/HK0B, OJ9JD, TT8JT, TY5MR, V26B, V51AS, VE1AI/1, VR2PX, VU7NRO, XV4BX and ZP6/IK1PMR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4J0DX, 6W1RY, 7S2E, 8Q7BR, 9G5UR, 9X0R, C98RF, CE0Y/OE2SNL, CN2AW, CS6V, CU8F, DF0CG, E4/OM2DX, EJ0GI, ER1DA,

ER3GS, F5GPE, F5JUS, FS/DL5CF, HA5DE, HG100WTE, HP1XX, IK0ZSQ, IR6T, IU0IPY, LZ129LO, MJ/F4EGD, OA4BHY/3, OA4WW, OH0/SP7VC, OK1DED, PA3FYG, PC07XMAS, PD08HNY, R245GS, R450KB, RD3ABN, RK1B/P, RK3QWW, RZ3DC, SN0AXL, T70A, TO1T, TO5FJ, TO5J, UA1ARD, UA3QAM, V26MH, YU8/HB4FG and ZA1MH

SILENT KEY. It was reported by Ben, PA5BW, that Solofo Randrenjason, 5R8ET, became a "Silent Key" (SK) unexpectedly in the hospital on January 19th, "during a more or less routine surgery". Ben states, "Solofo was my colleague and later even my 'second man' at the Radio Netherlands shortwave station in Talata Volonondry in Madagascar, where I worked there back in 1993-1995. Together we started the Madagascar Amateur Radio Association in 1995. His keen interest in radio and shortwave lead to his amateur radio license in 1994, using a simple transceiver borrowed from visiting Japanese hams and a homebrew dipole antenna. Solofo was the first local ham to obtain an amateur radio license. All licensees before that were foreigners that traded in their foreign calls for a local ham radio permit. Several other local hams were to follow him which led to the first ever 5R8 Ham Dinner in Antananarivo in 1995, counting nine (!) 5R8 hams on 10 square meters. The highest 5R8-concentration ever. I remember Solofo as a very friendly and kind man, a real friend (and a very loyal one) and a committed amateur radio DXer. For me it is very hard to understand that I will never meet him again. The world will be a little bit colder without him. Our hearts go out to those that are left behind: his family, his colleagues at the radio station, his fellow radio amateurs."

TOP BAND DINNER ANNOUNCEMENT. Steve, WB6RSE, reports: "Registration for the Top Band Dinner at the 2009 Visalia International DX Convention is now open. First come, first served." The dinner will be held Friday, April 17th, at the Holiday Inn Visalia - Birch Room (6:30 PM No-host Bar, 7:15 PM BBQ Buffet Dinner). The program will be "Top Band from KP5, Desecheo, February 2009" by Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, Co-leader, Desecheo DXpedition. Door Prizes! Thanks to these fine organizations for their generous donations: ARRL, NCDXF, Idiom Press, CQ, QRZ-DX, Yaesu, Water-proof Log Books, The Daily DX, Photoqsls.com .... AND ..... from Array Solutions - their new Beverage transformer system: http://www.arraysolutions.com/Products/singlewirebeverage.htm#top%20of%20page
Dinner will be "Miner 49er BBQ Buffet" (COST IS 36 USDs/per person - includes, all taxes, gratuity, and room charges AND Door Prize eligibil-ity). TO REGISTER: Send an E-mail to Steve, WB6RSE, to check on availa-bility and indicate the number of registrations you want. Send an E-mail to: wb6rse1@...
You will receive a return E-mail with additional information and registra-tion details. Last year's event was a sellout. Advanced registration is absolutely required. Registration at the door will be very limited IF any! REGISTER EARLY!

TOP TEN MOST WANTED. Jean-Michel, F6AJA, informs OPDX that the Les Nouvelles DX Web page has an interesting listing of the QSL cards of past operations from the entities mentioned in "The DX Magazine's" -- "2008

MOST WANTED SURVEY". QSL cards of the "Top Ten Most Wanted" can be viewed at: http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie.php?page=listtopten You will find more than 300 cards for the "Top Ten" entities for the last 5 years (2004 to 2008). If you don't speak French, you can use the automatic translator (see on the left side of the page).

V3, BELIZE. The "two contests in two weeks team" is at it again. As part of their "Adventure Before Dementia" program they are returning to Belize, this time with two other operators to help share the insanity. Phil Yasson, AB7RW/V31RW, and his XYL Barbara, AC7UH/V31UH, will join Rick, KT7G/V31TB, and Jake, N7WO/V31WO. The group will be active from February 10th to 24th. During the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 14-15th) they will use V31TB (QSL via KT7G) and for the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) they will use V31WO (QSL via N7WO). Outside the contests, QSL via the operator's instructions. Activity is planned for 160-15 meters including WARC bands.

VK9C, COCOS-KEELING ISLAND (OC-003). Bernd, VK2IA, will once again be active as VK9AA between March 14-27th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via DL8YR (QRZ.com).

YN2/H7, NICARAGUA. Andrei, NP3D, will be active as H7/NP3D and YN2/EW1AR between February 11-15th. Activity will include the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 14-15th) and he will sign YN2S for the contest. QSL direct to NP3D. QSLs are also "OK" via W3HNK and RW6HS.

YN, NICARAGUA. Eric, K9GY, will be active possibly as YN2/K9GY from Octavio's, YN2N, QTH in Grenada, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

YW0, AVES ISLAND (Update). The 4M5DX Group will once again activate Aves Island (NA-020) in March for one week. A team of more than 15 operators (team almost complete) will be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The logistic support is ready (transportation will be made by the Venezuelan Navy. QSL via IT9DAA, either direct, by the bureau or LoTW. The QSL Manager is authorized to receive any donation. For updates, visit the DXpedition's Web page at: http://yw0a.4m5dx.info

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update). Lee ZL2AL, informs OPDX that a team of 9 operators will be activating Chatham Island as ZL7T during March from the fabulous Chatham Fishing Lodge in the fishing village of Kaiangaroa on the far Northeastern tip of the island. The operators are: Lee/ZL2AL, Morrie/ZL2AAA, Lee/ZL2LE, John/ZL1BYZ, Mike/ZL2CC, Phil/ZL2RVW, Mark/ZL3AB, Wayne/ZL2WG and John/ZL1ALZ. The pilot station will be Duncan/ZL3JT. The four station setup will operate 160-10 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and the PSK modes. Operations will be on between March 6-11th. Donations would be appreciated. The ZL7T Web site is available at: http://www.zl7t.com A logsearch will be available on the team's return. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within 6 months. QSL via ZL2AL, by the Bureau or direct (CBA or QRZ.com).

ZP6, PARAGUAY (Possibly CX). Witek/SP9MRO and XYL Danuta/SP9SX will be here between February 21st and March 3rd. Activity will be holiday style (mainly on the weekends and local night hours) with operations on CW, SSB and RTTY using the callsign ZP6/SP9MRO. They also plan to go to Uruguay (CX) between March 4-14th.

ZS8, MARION ISLANDS. Very few QSN reports on Petrus, ZS8T, this past week. BEWARE OF PIRATE ACTIVITY! However, the very first portion of QSOs logged by Petrus (as of January 25th) are now available at:
http://zs8t.net/online-logsearch/
Also available are sound clips of Petrus on the Web page listed below. For updates and official announcements of the ZS8T operation, please visit the Web site at: http://zs8t.net

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@... - OR - kb8nw@...
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8978. A lot of WAS awards??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-01 23:58:15 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8978 Message: 8978

I just checked my LoTW "Awards" for WAS. I see I have been
credited for *some* states on all of the following 42 bands or band/modes:

Basic
160M
80M
40M
30M
20M
17M
15M
10M
6M
CW
Phone
RTTY
Digital
Digital-PSK31
Digital-PSK125
160M Phone
160M CW
80M Phone
80M CW
80M RTTY
80M PSK31
40M Phone
40M CW
40M RTTY
40M PSK125
40M PSK31
30M CW
20M Phone
20M CW
20M RTTY
20M PSK125
20M PSK31
17M Phone
17M CW
15M Phone
15M CW
15M RTTY
10M Phone
10M CW
6M Phone
6M CW

Triple Play

Of course I do not have 50 state confirmed on all of them, but
it begs the question: If/when I do, can I get 42 separate and
distinct WAS awards? (For example, if I work all 50 on 40M PSK125,
can I get a certificate for WAS 40M PSK125? And 40M Phone, 40M CW,
40M RTTY, and 40M Phone?)

There are 42 possibilities listed where I've worked
something. I don't have any PSK QSOs on 15 meters, for example, so
that isn't in the list. I assume if I do it will show up as award
#43. Does the ARRL really offer more WAS awards than there are states?

73, Paul VE1DX

8979. Re: [DX-IS] A lot of WAS awards??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-02 00:50:24 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 8978 Message: 8979

Paul, I see you don't have anything on 12 meters either. You are missing out on a super band. 12M RTTY WAS would be a real challenge.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE in July from beautiful Miquelon for the IARU contest

--- On Sun, 2/1/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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8980. W2RQ e-mail address

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-02 04:42:24 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 8980 Message: 8980

Anyone have an e-mail address for W2RQ ? The earthlink one bounces.

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

8981. A better frequency?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-02 16:57:57 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8981 Message: 8981

I don't know who decided on 14.300 MHz for the ZS8T guy (maybe he did himself), but I don't think they could have found a worse one. That net is not going to move come hell or high water, and those who were around in the 1990s will recall the wars and even legal battles fought over that and 14.313 MHz.

Might be a good idea for someone to alert Petrus or his pilot guys in South Africa to try somewhere else like 14.260 or the like. I don't need ZS8 on 20M, but for those in NA who do, this is going to be a hard go unless he finds another QRG. I don't know it the net is audible in EU, so it might just be an issue in NA.

73, Paul VE1DX

8982. Re: A better frequency?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-02 17:42:52 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 8981 Message: 8982

> Might be a good idea for someone to alert Petrus or his pilot
> guys in South Africa to try somewhere else like 14.260 or the
> like.

I sent an email to Rhys, ZS6DXB, regarding this issue about a week ago.

I don't know if that's the appropriate contact.

I do wish he'd move... this could really be a nightmare for DXer vs.
net operator PR, and will just cause a big mess.

8983. More happy news for dxers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-02 21:05:44 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 8983 Message: 8983

No sunspot and now sskiplenghts are changing

http://www.spacedaily.com/reports/NASA_Ionosphere_not_where_it_should_be_999.html

When will it ever end !!!

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

8984. Re: [DX-IS] A better frequency?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-02 21:24:47 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 8981 Message: 8984

Petrus picked a spot where he heard no QRM. Unfortunately it was in use
and he didn't hear it. Remember, propagation down there meant he didn't
hear the net (they never heard him either--it was the European pileup that
was the issue).

Today he showed up on 14.305 so it appears he got the message.

Don
N1DG

At 11:57 AM 2/2/2009, you wrote:

>I don't know who decided on 14.300 MHz for the ZS8T guy (maybe
>he did himself), but I don't think they could have found a worse
>one. That net is not going to move come hell or high water, and
>those who were around in the 1990s will recall the wars and even
>legal battles fought over that and 14.313 MHz.
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>like. I don't need ZS8 on 20M, but for those in NA who do, this is
>going to be a hard go unless he finds another QRG. I don't know it
>the net is audible in EU, so it might just be an issue in NA.
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>73, Paul VE1DX
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2006 Inductee into the CQ DX Hall of Fame
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AIM: aurumtel

8985. Some observations on JA prop on 20

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-02 22:28:51 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 8985 Message: 8985

From FM06, central NC, the signals are consistently stronger when the hex beam is pointed to 030/EU. Happens at my sunset/JA sunrise. Skewed path. Anyone else seeing this behavior during grayline?

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@...
http://wd4elg.net

8986. ZS8T bogus spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-03 18:13:13 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 8986 Message: 8986

Looks like the bad spots are continuing today (3 Feb):

DX de IK0GGR: 14300.0 ZS8T 44 A ROME 5UP 1801Z

From zs8t.net:

"The ZS8T team would like to report that all dx posts posted on Feb.
2 are 100% bogus. Petrus wasn't operating that day at all.

We would also like to inform the Ham Radio Community that 14.300.00
is NOT ZS8T's operating frequency and that he will tune any other
legal clean freq. to operate on 20m."

I note IK0GGR is not listed on QSZ.COM, either.

73, Paul VE1DX

8987. Ahh, it brings back memories

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-03 21:50:17 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 8987 Message: 8987

It's not 20 meters this afternoon, but 40. CW.

I can hear VK6AU, F5RRS, TA1AX, PT2ZHA. Back in 1990 this was all on 20 at night, around midnight local time! Now it's gray line on 40. Well, I will take whatever I can get on any band at this point.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@...
http://wd4elg.net

8988. HK0/EA7HEJ Qth?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-03 22:31:48 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 8988 Message: 8988

Does anyone know the qth for this guy?
Worked him on 14012 at 2203z - but never gives any qth or qsl route info.
Google doesn't provide any clues either.

could be either of the following
HK0#* Malpelo I.
HK0#* San Andres & Providencia

tx and 73
frank w0ecs

8989. Re: [DX-IS] HK0/EA7HEJ Qth?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-03 22:48:52 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 8988 Message: 8989

As far as I understand he is in San Andres Is. NA- 033.

73 de HK3CW Rob (ex 5K0CW, just last week)
----- Original Message -----
From: Frank T Brady
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2009 5:31 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] HK0/EA7HEJ Qth?

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8990. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-04 20:11:43 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 8990

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (January 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in January, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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8991. No accident

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-05 13:20:11 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 8991 Message: 8991

There seems to be an increase in sour grapes operating.

Either
1) As soon as station says NA only CQ's from EU appear on the operating freq
2) Spots of semirare DX generate the same. This morning it was 4K9W

Nothing new but the frequency seems to have increased.

Wouff Hong time.

73 de Brian/K3KO

8992. ARLD005 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-05 22:33:19 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 447 Message: 8992

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ARLD005 DX news

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DX Bulletin 5 ARLD005
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT February 5, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

EAST MALAYSIA, 9M6. John, 9M6XRO and Steve, 9M6DXX will be QRV from Sabah, IOTA OC-088, from February 7 to 10. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL both calls via M0URX.

ANDORRA, C3. Finn, OV8FM and Martin, 5P1M will be QRV as C3/OV8FM and C3/5P1M, respectively, from February 10 to 13. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK. QSL via OV1A.

ENGLAND, G. Tim, G4STH and Hazel, G4YLO are QRV using special event callsign GB50BH until March 3 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the death of the singer Buddy Holly. QSL via G4STH.

DOMINICA, J7. John, K3TEJ will be QRV as J7N from February 11 to 27. Activity will be on 160, 30, 17 and 12 meters using CW and RTTY. This includes entries in the upcoming CQ WW RTTY and ARRL DX CW contests as Single Op/ALL Band entries. QSL to home call.

ST. VINCENT, J8. Nigel, G3TXF is QRV as J88XF from Mayreau Island, IOTA NA-025, one of the smaller Grenadine islands, until February 9. Activity is on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters using only CW. QSL to home call.

DESECHEO ISLAND, KP5. Look for a group of operators to be QRV as K5D from February 12 to 26. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via N2OO.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, P2. Jerry, P29ZAD is QRV from Buka Island, IOTA OC-135. QSL to home call.

SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND, VP8. Lars, VP8DIF ha been QRV on 20 meters using RTTY around 1630 to 1900z. QSL via DJ9ZB.

NICARAGUA, YN. Andrei, NP3D will be QRV as H7/NP3D and YN2/EW1AR from February 11 to 15. This includes activity as YN2S in the upcoming CQ WW RTTY contest. QSL direct to home call.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Bhutan, A5100A, 2008 operation; Afghanistan, T6EE, Additional documentation has been received to include 2006 and 2007 operations. If you had a QSO rejected for these dates send a note to dxccarrl.org to be placed on the list for an update; Republic of the Congo, TN5SN, current operation effective October 2008; Chad, TT8HA, operations for 2007 and 2008; Chad, TT8SK, operations for 2008 and 2009; Albania, ZA/F4DTO, 2008 operation; and Albania, ZA0/I0SNY, ZA0/I8LWK, ZA0/I8YGZ, ZA0/IK2AQZ and ZA0/IK7JWX, operations in 2008.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Mexico RTTY International Contest, North American CW Sprint, NCCC Sprint, Vermont QSO Party, YL-ISSB CW/RTTY QSO Party, 10-10 International Winter Phone Contest, Black Sea Cup International, World Wide PMC CW Contest, Minnesota QSO Party, FYBO Winter QRP Sprint, British Columbia QSO Challenge, AGCW Straight Key Party, Delaware QSO Party and the New Mexico QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The ARRL School Club Roundup runs from February 9 to 13. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint and RSGB 80-Meter Club Data Championship are both scheduled for February 11. Pleased see February QST, page 82 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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8993. today on DX summit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-05 23:14:57 UTC
From: Albert Müller
Topic: 8993 Message: 8993

how to break the pileup nowadays (on an unusual frequency...?) VE2LCM
35015.0 9M2AX Plse Lissen I call 2212 05 Feb
73, Al - HB9BGN

8994. CallSign History

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-06 17:06:20 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 8994 Message: 8994

I'm not old enough to truly remember where lots of calls were used in '"the good old days."

Sometime in the 70s (maybe up until the 80s?), KA2xx was used for American Forces in Japan. A KA1xx was (and still is?) used for Minami Tori Shima (JD1) since way, way back.

While entering QSOs for Rene (WB6PSY) I came across a KA6xx call and either I accidentally flagged it as Okinawa or DXKeeper did, one or the other.

Was the KA6 2x2 group ever used for Okinawa?

Is there a site somewhere that attempts to track callsign history - at least for U.S. and possessions? I know a lot of the KG6, KC6, KX6 type stuff disappeared and was replaced by things like V6, T8, etc.

Art - N4PJ

8995. [425ENG] 425 DX News #927

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-06 17:08:20 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 8995 Message: 8995

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3B - Piotr, SP2JMR and Slavo, SP2JMB will be active as 3B9/homecalls from the Rodrigues Islands (AF-017) on 1-8 April, and as 3B8/homecalls from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on 9-17 April. They plan to operate SSB and CW on all bands. [TNX SP2JMB]
9G - Rob, PA3DEW and Vincent, PA3FQX will be active again from Dormaa Ahenkro, Ghana starting on 14 February. They will be QRV as 9G1AA in their spare time; look for them around 16 UTC on 14140 kHz. QSL via PA3ERA. [TNX PA3AWW]
C3 - Finn, OV8FM and Martin, 5P1M will be active as C3/OV8FM and C3/5P1M from Andorra on 10-13 February. They plan to operate SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via OV1A. [TNX OV1A]
CE - Members of Radio Club La Portada will be active as XR1A from Puerto Antofagasta lighthouse on 21-22 February for the South American Lighthouses Weekend (see "Good to Know" below). They will operate CW and SSB mainly on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via XQ1IDM. [TNX XQ1IDM]
CN - Russell, G5XW will be active again as CN2XW from Morocco on 13-23 February. This is another backpacking type holiday, so he will be running 100 watts into some sort of basic antenna. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX G5XW]
CT - CT1AHU, CT1EHX, CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT1IUA and CT2IHP will be active as CQ1A from the island of Nossa Senhora do Rosario (DIP AL-19) on 8 February. They plan to operate SSB and CW with two stations on 40 and 20 metres, from around 8 UTC to 13 UTC. QSL via CT1GFK. [TNX CT1IUA]
D4 - Girts, YL2KL will be active as D4C from Cape Verde on 11-22 February, including SOAB entries in the ARRL DX CW and CQ WW WPX RTTY contests. He hopes for some activity on 30 metres. QSL via IZ4DPV. [TNX NG3K]
DU - David, BA4DW is currently active as DU9/BA4DW from Mindanao Island (OC-130) until 10 February. He operates in his spare time with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via home call. [TNX BA4DW]
FG - Ilario, IV3CGJ will be active as FG/IV3CGJ/p from Marie-Galante,

Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 13-24 February. QSL via bureau to home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
GD - The Barry Amateur Radio Society will operate from the Isle of Man (EU-116) from 28 March to 4 April. Thomas/DJ6OI, Jan/DJ8NK, Franz/DJ9ZB, Alois/DL8RBL, Glyn/GW0ANA, Yasu/JR1AIB, Curtis/MW0USK and Lois/MW3LOI will be active on 160-10 metres (6m will be monitored for openings) SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK under three callsigns: GT4BRS for SSB and CW, GT6BRS for data modes and GD8K during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March). All QSL cards via GW0ANA, direct or bureau.
HC - Rick, NE8Z will be active again from Ecuador between late February and early March. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres as HC1MD/HC4 from Same and Tonsupa (Esmeraldas Province) on 20-27 February, and as HC1MD from Tumbaco (Pichincha Province) from 28 February to 8 March. QSL via K8LJG. Information on the Ecuador and Galapagos DX Awards can be found at http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z [TNX NE8Z]
HP - The Radio Club of Panama and the Panama Canal Amateur Radio Association will be active on all bands and modes as H81L from Miraflores Lighthouse (ARLHS PAN-030) on 14-15 February. QSL via HP1RCP. [TNX HP1AC]
I - Luigi, IV3LNQ is active as IA3GM until 31 December to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs awarded to Guglielmo Marcnoni. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IV3LNQ]
I - Celebrating the 141st anniversary of the birth of Paul P. Harris, the founder of Rotary International, Rotary Club "Siracusa Monti Climiti" (Sicily) will be active on 20, 15 and 40 metres as IO9ROTA between 19 April and 19 May. The operator will be Adriano, IT9CCB. [TNX IT9CCB]
J7 - John, K3TEJ will be active as J7N from Dominica (NA-101) on 11-27 February, including a SOAB entry in either the CQ WW WPX RTTY and the ARRL DX CW contests. Outside the contests he will concentrate on 160, 30, 17 and 12 metres CW and RTTY. QSL direct to K3TEJ. [TNX K3TEJ]
J8 - Nigel, G3TXF has been active as J88XF from Mayreau Island (NA-025) since 5 February, and will remain there until the 9th. He operates CW only, mainly on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via home call. The webpage for this trip can be accessed from http://www.g3txf.com/index.html
KP2 - Look for John, KP2/K3CT (QSL via home call) to be active from the US Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 18-25 February, with an emphasis on 30, 12 and 17 metres before and after the ARRL DX CW Contest. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as KP2M (QSL via AI4U). [TNX K3CT]
PA - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as PA/DL2JRM/p from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) on 14-15 February. He will operate CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PJ - Jan, PA4JJ, will be active as PJ2/PA4JJ from Curacao (SA-006), Netherland's Antilles between 31 March and 11 April. He will

operate holiday style on various bands, with a focus on 30, 17 and
12 metres and RTTY/PSK31. QSL via home call. A logsearch will be
available at http://www.pa4jj.nl/ and the log will be uploaded to
LoTW. [TNX PA4JJ]
PY - PT2OP (as PX6T) and PY6KW (af PY6KW/p or with a special callsign)
will be active from Tinhare Island (SA-080) on 20-24 February and
from Boipeba Island (SA-080) from 25 February to 1 March. They
plan to operate SSB mainly on 20 and 40 metres, with 100 watts
into G5RV. QSL via home calls. [TNX PT7WA]
SV - Demetrius, SV2GWY and other operators will be active as SX2CM
14-15 February, 10-11 May, 24-25 May and 5-7 July. The special
callsign is in honour of the brothers saints Cyril and Methodius.
All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau;
the QSL manager for direct cards is SV2GWY. Further information
can be found at http://sx2cm.blogspot.com [TNX SV2GWY]
TI - Klaus/DK6AO, Gunter/TI7WGI, Andy/DH8WR (EA2CRX), Norbert/DL2RNS,
Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM will be active with a TI7 callsign
TBA from San Jose, Murcielago Islands Island (NA-191)on 17-20
April. They plan to operate around the clock on 80-10 metres SSB,
CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DK6AO, direct or bureau. The website
for the expedition is at www.ti7.info. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
UA - A few activities for the World Flora Fauna Award (www.wff44.com)
are expected to take place between 6 and 8 February. Look for
UE1RFF/3 to operate CW and SSB on 20, 40 and 80 metres from three
different locations. QSLs via UA1RJ. [TNX RW3GW]
V2 - Peter, G3TKK will be active holiday style as V25TK from Antigua
(NA-100) from 27 February to 12 March. He plans to operate CW on
40-17 metres. QSL via G3TKK, direct or bureau. [TNX G3TKK]
V3 - Phil/AB7RW (V31RW), his wife Barbara/AC7UH (V31UH), Rick/KT7G
(V31TB) and Jake/N7WO (V31WO) will be active from Placencia,
Belize on 10-24 February. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX
RTTY Contest as V31TB (QSL via KT7G) and in the ARRL DX CW Contest
as V31WO (QSL via N7WO). Outside the contests QSL via the
operator's instructions. [TNX N7WO]
V4 - Nick, G4FAL will be active as V4/G4FAL from Rawlins Plantation, St.
Kitts (NA-104) on 12-17 March, including participation in the RSGB
Commonwealth Contest (BERU) on 14-15 March as V47CD. He plans to
operate only CW on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call
or LOTW. [TNX G4FAL]
V5 - Klaus, DJ4SO will be active again as V5/DJ4SO from Namibia from 14
February to 12 March. He will operate mostly CW and RTTY/PSK31 on
160-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. The logs will
be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
V8 - Sam, G4OHX will be active as V8FHX from Brunei on 11-23 February.
He plans to operate mainly CW on 80, 40 and 20 metres, but he may
also get on 30m. QSL via home call (direct only).[TNX The Daily DX]
VK9C - Bernd, VK2IA reports the will be active again as VK9AA from Cocos
(Keeling) (OC-003) on 14-27 March. He will operate CW and SSB on
160-10 metres. QSL via DL8YR.
VK9N - Willy, ON5AX and his wife Magda, ON3AX will be active as

VK9N/ON5AX from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 15-22 March. QSL via ON5AX. [TNX ON5AX]
VP2V - Rick, K6VVA will celebrate his 65th birthday operating from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 20-24 February. Expect him to operate mostly CW as VP2V/K6VVA (QSL via N6AWD), and to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as VP2VVA (QSL via N6AWD). [TNX NG3K]
VU - VU2DSI, VU2ROE, VU2SMN and VU2SMS will be active as AU30SHI on 21-22 February to commemorate the birth of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (19 February 1627), the founder of the Maratha Empire. They will operate from Shivneri Fort, the historic military fortification where Shivaji was born; suggested frequencies are 7070, 14250, 14215,21280 and 28290. QSL via VU2DSI. [TNX VU2DSI]
W - Dennis, WA2USA will be active as WA2USA/4 from Bogue Banks (NA-112) on 12-24 February. He plans to operate RTTY, CW and SSB on 160-10 metres, and to participate in the ARRL DX CW and CQ WW WPX RTTY contests. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

ANTARCTIC VOYAGE ---> Willy, ON5AX and his wife Magda, ON3AX will be active as OR3AX and OR4AX from on board the "Spirit of Enderby" and from the Ross Sea region in Antarctica between 9 February and 10 March. QSL via ON5AX. [TNX ON5AX]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Bill, N7OU and Bob, W7YAQ will be active as 3D2OU and 3D2NB from the Fiji Islands on 11-16 February. From 17 February through 2 March they will operate from Tuvalu (T2, callsigns TBA), including a M/S entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. Operation will be 160-10 metres, mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (January 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:
A5100A Bhutan 2008 operation
T6EE Afghanistan 2006 and 2007 operations [*]
TN5SN Congo Current operation effective October 2008
TT8HA Chad 2007 and 2008 operations
TT8SK Chad 2008 and 2009 operations
ZA/F4DTO Albania 2008
ZA0/I0SNY Albania 2008
ZA0/I8LWK Albania 2008
ZA0/I8YGZ Albania 2008

ZA0/IK2AQZ Albania 2008
ZA0/IK7JWX Albania 2008
[*] Additional documentation has been received from T6EE to include 2006 and 2007 operations. If you had a QSO rejected for these dates send a note to dxcc@... to be placed on the list for an update.
The DXCC Blog has been renamed Century Club Awards Web, and its new URL is http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards [TNX NC1L]

HE8CIC ---> "After 600 QSOs and two contests with the call HE8CIC it seems that most of the amateurs are not informed about the HE8 activities", Josef, HB9CIC says. "Very often I had to repeat many times the prefix and lost a lot of time". Please note that amateur radio operators from Switzerland can replace their HB9 or HB3 prefixes with HE8 and HB8 respectively until 31 December [425DXN 921], to celebrate the 80th anniversary of USKA, the Swiss IARU Society.

IARU R1 BAND PLAN ---> The IARU Region 1 new HF Band Plan will become effective on 29 March 2009. It can be found at http://www.iaru-r1.org/Spectrumbp.htm

K5D ---> A third interview with Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, expedition co-leader, can be found on the Documentary Archive's Desecheo special web page (www.dokufunk.org/desecheo). The interview was given to Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC on 6 February.

LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND ---> The first South American Lighthouses Weekend will be held from 12 UTC on 20 February until 24 UTC on the 22nd. A list ("Listado Oficial") of partecipating stations and further information on the event can be found at http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros.htm

PMC CONTEST ---> The International Association of Peace Messenger Cities (www.iapmc.org) was established twenty years ago to recognize and encourage the role and responsibility cities have in creating a culture of peace. The Radio Club Slovenj Gradec, S59DCD (ex YU3DCD) sponsors the WW PMC Contest, to promote contacts between stations located in the Peace Messenger Cities (currently 93) and the rest of the world. The contest (CW and SSB) will be held on 12 UTC on 7 February 2009 until 12 UTC on the 8th. Complete details can be found at http://www.s59dcd.si/english/index.php [TNX S54X]

QSL 7X0DX & 9M8DX ---> The new QSL route, for either past and future QSOs, is via SP5UAF, direct (Tomasz Barbachowski, Zeromskiego 10, 05-070 Sulejowek, Poland) or bureau. The former QSL manager (Tadeusz "Teddy" Barczyk, DL4DBR) passed away on 2 January [425DXN 925]. Those who worked 7X0DX in September 2008 and sent their cards to Teddy, please be patient and do not send second requests. Teddy's wife (Renia, DL3DBR) will send the QSLs and other documents to SP5UAF as soon as possible. [TNX SP5UAF]

QSL LY70W ---> Sam, LY5W says that the QSLs for LY70W (72,000 QSOs in two months) arrived from the printer on 4 February. The first batch of 180 direct cards was mailed on the 5th, bureau cards will follow.

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now
available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note
that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible
for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further
information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8GT, 3DA0VB, 3X5A, 3XD2Z, 4A3A,
4L0A, 4O3A, 4S7NE, 4W6R, 4X4DK, 5H3VMB, 5N/LZ1QK, 5R8IC (AF-090), 5R8IG,
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9L1X, 9M6NA, 9U0VB, 9V1F1, 9X0VB, A25/DL7DF, A25VB, A5100A, A71AN, A71CV,
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VU4MY, VU4RG, VU7NRO, WH2D, XE2WWW, XU7ABN, XV4BM (AS-128), XV4BX, YB0PAH,
YJ0AQY, YN2Z, YW1TI (SA-066), Z29KM, ZF2BJ, ZK3AH, ZP6/IK1PMR, ZP6CW,
ZS2EZ, ZY0K.

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8997. Re: [DX-IS] CallSign History

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KA6XX was used for Kyrshu, southern Japan.

KR6XX was used for Okinawa.

73 Don K5AQ

7J1AEF, 9V1SH, ES5AQ

8998. Re: [DX-IS] CallSign History

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-06 17:55:53 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 8994 Message: 8998

KA6xx should have read Kyushu.

73 Don K5AQ

8999. ARLP006 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-06 18:19:42 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 929 Message: 8999

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP006
ARLP006 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP06
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 6 ARLP006
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 6, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP006
ARLP006 Propagation de K7RA

K7RA is on the road this week from Charleston, South Carolina.

Still no hint of sunspots or sunspots to come. We did see some geomagnetic activity on February 4 from a possible coronal mass ejection. This raised the planetary A index to 16 that day.

Current prediction is for quiet conditions. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions for February 6-12. NOAA and USAF predict quiet geomagnetic conditions with planetary A index at 5, but it jumps to 8 on February 15, then back to 5 until February 22-24, which has a predicted planetary A index of 10, 8 and 8. While we don't see much excitement at the high end of the HF spectrum, the quiet conditions and winter nights are great for the lower frequencies.

There were many comments on the fascinating several decades old letter from Ed Tilton, W1HDQ, the editor of this bulletin until 1991. I've never learned when this bulletin began, and if Ed always wrote it.

I remember copying it on CW from W1AW as a boy in the mid 1960s, and it was written by W1HDQ then. No one currently at ARRL HQ seems to know either.

Starting out as a 12-year-old ham in the 1960s, I was always accustomed to having some source for info from an older ham. For instance, if I wanted to know how experimenters set up spark stations in the early 20th century, there were plenty of people still around in the late 20th century who had done it themselves when they were younger, and could lend me their first-hand knowledge. But now after 44 years as a ham, there aren't that many people older than me who I can ask these sorts of questions.

Jim Muiter, N6TP of San Mateo, California commented on the W1HDQ letter. Jim wrote, "Ed's letter pointed out there are many layers to ten-meter propagation and the selection of the date for the ten-meter contest was no accident. The three hundred mile path makes good sense. I believe the British Chain Home Radar system of Battle of Britain fame used frequencies in that range, perhaps 30 to 50 MHz. In effect it was partially an over the horizon radar and may have relied on tropo inadvertently."

Just after last week's bulletin, Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote, "The highlight of the week was Monday (January 26) working FW8DX on 75 meters at sunrise. 17 meters was barely open to Europe all week long except on Monday conditions were good enough for a brief opening on 15 meters to F/EA/sw DL from 1510-1545Z."

He continues, "I heard double hop Es on 10 meters Sunday evening (January 25) into New Mexico and Arizona, but no QSOs as they were fairly weak here and they had a good opening going with the SE USA with S9 reports."

Jeff goes on to say, "By all accounts, the CQ WW 160 had the best conditions ever; I was too tired to operate past my normal bedtime, but did manage to work over 1000 QSOs and 51 DXCC countries with 6W/DL2MDU being a new one. Conditions were so good that many East Coast stations worked UA9 and several caught EY8MM."

Mike Schaffer, KA3JAW of Tampa, Florida likes to hunt commercial broadcast television DX, and reports that last winter he didn't see any, but on January 25 he reported, "I just snagged my initial 2009 winter season television DX on channel two coming from HIJB Tele Antillas, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. I saw the station logo (TA) several minutes before 17:00 GMT. The audio level was about equal to the video quality in this case, but normally the audio is loud compared to the video level. The distance from me here in Tampa, Florida to Santo Domingo city is 1,045 miles. Half this distance, 523 miles, would place the Es plasma cloud near south-west of George Town, Bahamas."

Mike copied the signal for less than 3 minutes.

Later that same day he copied WKAQ on channel 2 at 2313z from San Juan, Puerto Rico, 1,232 miles away. He said the sporadic-E opening that day ran from 1530-2320z. The next day, also on channel 2 he copied a TV station in Managua, Nicaragua.

A new month began since the last bulletin, so we can calculate another 3-month average of daily sunspot numbers. This new one will be centered on December 2008, and includes data from November 1 2008 through January 31 2009. We were of course hoping for an uptick, but the new average is 3.7, lower than the previous average of 4.4.

Jan 07 22.7
Feb 07 18.5
Mar 07 11.2
Apr 07 12.2
May 07 15.8
Jun 07 18.7
Jul 07 15.4
Aug 07 10.2
Sep 07 5.4
Oct 07 3.0
Nov 07 6.9
Dec 07 8.1
Jan 08 8.5
Feb 08 8.4
Mar 08 8.4
Apr 08 8.9
May 08 5.0
Jun 08 3.7
Jul 08 2.0
Aug 08 1.1
Sep 08 2.5
Oct 08 4.5
Nov 08 4.4
Dec 08 3.7

Bill Van Alstyne, W5WVO of Rio Rancho, New Mexico had some information and comments after this bulletin mentioned some weak signal methods for VHF.

Bill said the web site we mentioned deals with some European practice in Region 1. Stations in North America, Region 2, use different protocols. He writes, "The Region 2 protocols are the default settings in the WSJT software as it is downloaded from Joe Taylor's website (http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/). Please, download the manual as well as the software."

Bill continues, "JT6M is only one of the transmission modes contained within the WSJT suite intended for meteor scatter work. The original MS mode, FSK441, remains the primary mode used for MS in North America. Of course JT6M will often work, but as stated in the web page, you need a decodable burst of at least one second duration. While it is much more likely to get pings this long on 6 meters than on higher-frequency bands, it is likewise true that most 6-meter meteor pings are shorter than that, and hence won't contain a full message. Using FSK441, a full message can be transmitted and decoded in as little as 150 ms."

He goes on to say, "The trade-off between these two MS modes is sensitivity versus time. FSK441 is faster because it takes up more bandwidth and is therefore less sensitive; a signal at least 1 dB above the noise floor is necessary. JT6M, on the other hand, can decode a message as much as 12 dB or more below the noise floor! But

the signal must be present for at least one second, and more reliable decodes are obtained when the signal is present for an even greater length of time."

He ends with, "The best use of JT6M, in the opinion of many, is not actually 6-meter meteor scatter, but rather very-weak-signal tropo, ionoscatter, or sporadic-E."

For newcomers, Bill recommends the WSJT Yahoo Group at, http://groups.yaho.com/group/WSJTgroup. The group has a web site at, http://www.ykc.com/wa5ufh/.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for January 29 through February 4 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 69.3, 69.1, 69.4, 69.5, 69.1, 69.3, and 69.5 with a mean of 69.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 4, 7, 3, 2, 4 and 16 with a mean of 5.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 3, 4, 1, 0, 2 and 10 with a mean of 3.3.
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9000. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #894.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-06 19:36:22 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9000 Message: 9000

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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The following press release was provided by Bob Allphin/K4UEE and Glenn Johnson/W0GJ.

Desecheo 2009 Press Release # 5
February 6, 2009

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Today several team members leave their homes and start their journey to Desecheo via Puerto Rico. The entire fifteen man team will assembled by Saturday evening in San Juan. Sunday morning will be devoted to the required UXO (unexploded ordnance) training and afterward the team will travel to Rincon, Puerto Rico, the closest landfall to Desecheo. The Lazy Parrot Hotel will be the team headquarters for the following 4 days.

All equipment and antennas that we shipped have arrived and are in storage. Most of our infrastructure supplies and equipment has been purchased locally is also in our storage facility.

The team will spend Monday through Wednesday completing team training, finalizing assignments, testing generators and pre-assembling antennas. The remaining shopping will also be completed.

The SUP (Special Use Permit) will be presented to us in a special ceremony scheduled for Monday night. With that in hand, we will finally be ready to activate the #6 "most wanted" DXCC entity from February 12th-26th. We hope to be QRV late in the day on the 12th, weather depending.

Visit the new "K5D Store" (the button is about 2/3 down on the Welcome page) on the our website: www.kp5.us There is a good selection of memorabilia including nice polo shirts, t-shirts, caps, mouse pads, and mugs.

Financial support is being sought and very welcome. The "How you can help" tab on the website makes it easy. For larger contributions; they can be made tax-deductible (consult your tax advisor) if directed through the Northern California DX Foundation. Details are found on our website.

CU in the pileups,
Bob Allphin, K4UEE
Glenn Johnson, W0GJ

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9001. Okinawa

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-07 03:02:37 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9001 Message: 9001

Hey guys, just got my paper logs back from Art and verified a call that showed as Okinawa in DXKeeper. In October of 1979 I worked KA6DH and in the comments section I have 'Okinawa Is.' and in my scratch sheet I have WBØSMS as manager. Evidently I didn't send off for a card as probably someone told me it was a US call. Any of you 'oldtimers' have any comments or ideas?
73 Rene

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LXXIII de WB6PSY ô¿ô xyl N6AXK
ex VK2ZIZ, VK2DSW, GØNAD, MØRON,
RG8AU, BC 65L WB6PSY@...
If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhea...
does that mean that one enjoys it?

9002. Re: CallSign History

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-07 14:31:12 UTC
From: Zoli Pitman HA1AG
Topic: 8994 Message: 9002

I vaguely remember KA6CC being active even in early 80s when I got my clubstation operating lis. He also gave 90 as his ITU zone (which was actually correct but created lots of confusion). It was a very exotic QSO.

73!

Zoli HA1AG

1a. CallSign History
Posted by: "Art Burke" aburkefl@... aburkefl
Date: Fri Feb 6, 2009 9:06 am ((PST))

I'm not old enough to truly remember where lots of calls were used in '"the good old days."

Sometime in the 70s (maybe up until the 80s?), KA2xx was used for American Forces in Japan. A KA1xx was (and still is?) used for Minami Tori Shima (JD1) since way, way back.

While entering QSOs for Rene (WB6PSY) I came across a KA6xx call and either I accidentally flagged it as Okinawa or DXKeeper did, one or the other.

Was the KA6 2x2 group ever used for Okinawa?

Is there a site somewhere that attempts to track callsign history - at least for U.S. and possessions? I know a lot of the KG6, KC6, KX6 type stuff disappeared and was replaced by things like V6, T8, etc.

Art - N4PJ

9003. FW: [DX-IS] Okinawa

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-07 14:47:03 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9003 Message: 9003

From: Alan Leith [mailto:aleith@...]
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2009 10:42 AM
To: 'WB6PSY'
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Okinawa

Hi Rene,

I have the following cards from "KA*xx" stations:

KA1NC Minami Torishima 1978
KA2DF Japan 1973
KA6BV (no QTH) 1973 -- I believe Japan but maybe Okinawa
KA6WW Okinawa 1980
KA8RB Japan 1980

I never got a card for the ONE station on Okinawa (KR6) who would have
counted for DXCC.

All KA6* and KA6*** calls, as I recall, are continental USA. I don't know
if there are any KR6* or KR6*** calls.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
WB6PSY
Sent: Friday, February 06, 2009 11:03 PM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] Okinawa

Hey guys, just got my paper logs back from Art and verified a call that
showed as Okinawa in DXKeeper. In October of 1979 I worked KA6DH and in
the comments section I have 'Okinawa Is.' and in my scratch sheet I have
WBØSMS as manager. Evidently I didn't send off for a card as probably
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9004. Old call signs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-07 19:10:47 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9004 Message: 9004

Hi ya'all,
The topic came up about Art's logging in my DXK KA6DH as Okinawa and KA6JD as Japan. I've bookmarked Rod's site for old callsigns at:
http://www.ac6v.com/oldprefix.htm
Look down in List of Contributors and see if any callsigns are familiar! Maybe his site may help someone.
LXXIII de WB6PSY

9005. Dayton

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-07 20:04:07 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 9005 Message: 9005

Is there anyone on here from Dayton or knows someone
from there that I can contact about parking near the
Crowne Plaza? I want to drive my small motorhome (24ft)
and want to be able to attend the functions at the hotel.

73, Roger

9006. Thank You Art

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-07 22:22:31 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9006 Message: 9006

Just got my paper logs back from Art, N4PJ who received my logs on January 5th and sent them back January 31st. Imagine, entering 7687 QSO's and having to decipher some of my entries. He did a wonderful job in such a short time. Out of that many, only one was missed so I got to use the New button. I had to reclassify three entries as DXK thought they were a different country including VKØKH DXK thought was Heard Island when in fact it was just Macquarie Is. - boo his. Art was able to classify all 18 Russian countries I worked before the big change. North & South Cooks were correct. He even found the time to enter while his wife, Marsha was having surgery. I think he was entering on a laptop while she was asleep in the hospital. Art would send my zip files every few days for me to enter into DXK so it was like Xmas weekly! I'm still way overwhelmed by his efforts. DXK is a wonderful program when and if I ever learn all its functions.
Kudos to you Art - you're the best!

Vy 73 de Rene
WB6PSY

9007. F5IN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-08 00:22:03 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9007 Message: 9007

Good Evening All:

F5IN has apparently joined the LOTW ranks as I received 3 confirmations
from him today. Outstanding!!

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9008. Dhttp://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.htmlX-Link

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-08 00:59:55 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 9008 Message: 9008

On occassion I use this link, perhaps those who are not aware of ir might find it useful.
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html
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Dale K8TS

9009. Re: [DX-IS] F5IN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-08 01:09:02 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9007 Message: 9009

Frank T Brady wrote:
> It looks like he is only uploading current logs and not the ones
> before he joined lotw.
> 73, frank w0ecs
Hi Frank:

The oldest QSO that I got a confirmation for was Oct of 2005 for 80 meter CW, so there is a bit of slightly older stuff. Got two new bands & two challenge credits out of the 3 contacts. I'll take it. Maybe he is starting with current Q's and working back.

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place where the big chunks float to the top"
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9010. ????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-08 01:22:48 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 9010 Message: 9010

I'm sick (really); .....but that's an interesting subject line
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Dale K8TS

9011. Re: [DX-IS] F5IN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-08 02:38:48 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9007 Message: 9011

Frank T Brady wrote:
> Strange? DUH
> I didn't even notice that I responded to you instead of the list -
> where's my meds.
> 73 frank
Yep, I'm having trouble with that. If I click on "Reply all" my response
still does not go to the list. May have to ask Paul to change it back
so "Reply" goes to the list. Us old folks need all of the help we can get.

73,
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9012. Re: [DX-IS] F5IN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-08 03:03:02 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9007 Message: 9012

I just clicked on Reply All
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2009 6:38 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] F5IN

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>

9013. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #895

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-08 22:32:00 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9013 Message: 9013

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st/February, through Sunday, 8th/February there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B6, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FT5W, FW, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/g, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8 & 3B9, MAURITIUS AND RODRIGUES ISLANDS. Polish operators Piotr/SP2JMR and Slavo/SP2JMB will be active as 3B9/homecalls from the Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between April 1-8th. After this operation they will then be active as 3B8/homecalls from Mauritius (AF-049) between April 9-17th. Activity is expected to be on all bands using CW and SSB.

3D2, FIJI (Also T2). Operators Bill/N7OU and Bob/W7YAQ are expected to be active this week as 3D2OU and 3D2NB, respectively, from Nadi, Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WLOTA LH-0055), between February 11-16th. Activity will be 160-10 meters, mainly CW but with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign. They will leave Fiji and head to Tuvalu. Callsigns will be announced later, but they will be there between February 17th and March 2nd. Their activity on the island will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Multi-Single entry.

4S, SRI LANKA (AS-003). Stavros, 5B4AFM, will be active as 4S7FMG between February 9-12th. Activity will be holiday style on 40 and 30 meters using only 100 watts into a vertical on CW and SSB. QSL via M0BBB.

6V,SENEGAL. Belgian operators Patrick/ON4HIL and Guido/ON4BAG will be active as 6V7P and 6V7O, respectively, between February 22-28th. Their QTH will be Le Calao about 70 km from Dakar. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using SSB and digital modes (RTTY, PSK31). Suggested frequencies are: SSB - 1844, 7090, 14245, 18160, 21295, 24985, 28475 and 50150 kHz
RTTY - 7040, 14085, 21085 and 28085 kHz
QSL via their home callsigns, by the bureau or direct (QRZ.com). They have a blog page at: http://www.bloggen.be/6v7o_6v7p

8Q, MALDIVES. Stavros, 5B4AFM, will be active as 8Q7FM from Lhaviyani Atoll (AS-013) between February 13-19th. Activity will be holiday style on 40 and 30 meters using only 100 watts into a vertical on CW and SSB. QSL via M0BBB.

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK EVENT NEWS (February 16-22nd). In commemoration of the 6th Antarctic Activity week, Francois, F8DVD, will be using the special callsign TM8ICE between February 8-21st. The WAP reference number is 154. The activity will take place from his home QTH in Macon, the eastern part of France. A special color QSL card showing the TARA polar vessel will be issued. QSL via F8DVD, by the Bureau or direct to:
Francois Bergez, 6, Rue Liberte, F-71000 MACON, FRANCE.

PLEASE REMEMBER - Stations that are active and signing "/ANT" may NOT be in the Antarctic!

C3, ANDORRA. Operators Finn/OV8FM and Martin/5P1M will be active as C3/OV8FM and C3/5P1M, respectively, between February 10-13th. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using SSB, SSTV, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via OV1A.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Frederick/K9VV, Henry/N6NC, Victor/WA0USA and Brian/KP2HC will be active as C6AKU from Freeport during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via K5WW or the LoTW.

CANADIAN SPECIAL EVENT CALLSIGNS. To celebrate 50th anniversary of the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway, look for Canadian amateurs to use the following prefix between April 1st and May 31st:
XL -> VA XN -> VO
XM -> VE XO -> VY

CN, MOROCCO. Russell, G5XW, will once again be in CN-land between February 13-23rd. He will spend 4 days in Meknes then 6 days in the Middle Atlas Mountains. This is another backpacking type holiday, but he plans to be active as CN2XW using only 100 watts into some sort of wire vertical/ dipole. He may experience some sudden power outages. QSL via G5XW.

CT3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. A group of German operators will be active as CT9L during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators mentioned are: Walter/DJ6QT, Falk/DK7YY, Wolfgang/ DK9VZ, Ulf/DL5AXX, Tom/DL5LYM and Frank/DL8WAA. Outside the contest, operators will probably sign CT3/homecall. QSL via their home callsigns. PLEASE NOTE: DJ6QT and DK7YY will be active between February 17th and March 10th. The rest of the team leaves February 24th.

CT3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. A group of German operators will be active as CT9L during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators mentioned are: Adam/DJ0IF, Walter/DJ6QT and Falk/DK7YY. Outside the contest operators will probably sign CT3/homecall. QSL via their home callsigns.

D4, CAPE VERDE. A group of German operators from Bonn and Potsdam will be active from Sal Island (AF-086) between March 11-25th. Each operator will have their own callsign. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31, Hell, Amtor and SSTV. They plan to have 7 stations with 100 watts and vertical antennas. Operators mentioned (with their callsign) are: Helmut/DL3KBQ (D44TXQ), Holger/DL1COP (D44TXP), Jurgen/ DJ2VO (D44TXO), Gerd/DG3KAF (D44TXF), Henry/DL2RSI (D44TXR), Peter/DH2KI (D44TXI) and Franz/DL3PS/HB9EHQ (D44TXS). QSL via their home callsign, except D44TXS via HB9EHQ.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
A5100A - Bhutan; 2008 Operation
T6EE - Afghanistan; Additional documentation has been received to include 2006 and 2007 operations. If you had a QSO rejected for these dates, send a note to dxcc@... to be placed on the list for an update.
TT8HA - Chad; Operations for 2007 and 2008
TT8SK - Chad; Operations for 2008 and 2009
TN5SN - Republic Of The Congo; Current operation effective October 2008
ZA/F4DTO - Albania; 2008 Operation
ZA0/I0SNY - Albania; 2008 Operation
ZA0/I8LWK - Albania; 2008 Operation
ZA0/I8YGZ - Albania; 2008 Operation
ZA0/IK2AQZ - Albania; 2008 Operation
ZA0/IK7JWX - Albania; 2008 Operation

ADDED NOTE: The URL for the DXCC blog has changed. Please point your browser to this address, also, the site has been renamed Century Club Awards Web log to reflect all ARRL awards and certificate programs: http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards

E44M WRAP-UP. The E44M team made 29170 QSOs (CW/10489, SSB/16856, RTTY/1790, PSK31/34 and SSTV/1). A short 4 minute video is now available on their Web at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/e44m/

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Cedric, F4EGZ, will be active as FR/F4EGZ during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power entry. He will use a vertical antenna with only 100 watts.

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA ISLANDS (Update). The Hungarian team of Eli/HA9RE, Laszlo/HA0NAR and Sara/HA9SDA, active as FW5RE, continue to please many low band operators on 160/80/40/30 meters. There has been some activity over the past weekend on 17 meters CW and 20 meters CW/RTTY. The team will be there until about the end of February. QSL Manager is HA8IB. A Web page is up and running now with updates, pictures and a log search at: http://www.ha0du.com/index.php

GB50, ENGLAND (Special Event). Operators Tim/G4STH and his XYL Hazel/G4YLO will be active as GB50BH between now and March 3rd. Their activity is to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the death of the singer Buddy Holly. Activity this past week has been on 80 meters SSB between 1700-1730z around 3777 kHz. QSL via G4STH, direct or by the bureau.

HA130, HUNGARY (Special Event). Members of a high school radio club called "Puskas Tivadar" (HA5KHC) in Budapest will activate HA130HALLO until March 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 130th anniversary of first appearance of the telephone in Hungary. Operations will be on all bands, mostly on CW, but some activity on SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via HA5KHC, by the bureau. No e-QSL please. Listen for details on how to receive a special HA130HALLO memorial diploma.

IOTA NEWS.....
NA-092. Fred, N5IVZ, plans to activate South Padre Island (USI TX-007S, Cameron County, Texas), on February 28th (1400-2300z). There was no mention of a special callsign. This is a special IOTA operation to celebrate 90 years of the U.S. Coast Guard in the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas and to honor the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary service of the present, past and future Guardians of the Sea. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

NA-191. (Update) Operators Klaus/DK6AO, Gunter/TI7WGI, Andy/DH8WR (EA2CRX), Norbert/DL2RNS, Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM will be active as TI7*** (TBA) from San Jose Island (Guanacaste Province), Costa Rica, between April 17-20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DK6AO, direct or by the bureau. For updates and more info, please visit their Web page at: http://ti7.info

OC-135. By the time you read this, Jerry, P29ZAD, should be active from Buka Island, Soloman Islands, until February 27th. He is there working just North of Buka Town. If possible, Jerry will operate if he has time. QSL via NI5DX, direct or by the Bureau. For more information, please visit Jerry's Blog at: http://p29zad.blogspot.com

SA-080. Operators Orlando/PT2OP and Marcelo/PY6KW will activate Tinhare Island (DIB BA-05), Brazil, between February 20-24th. Look for PT2OP to use the special callsign PX6T, while PY6KW will use homecall/p or possibly a special callsign. PLEASE NOTE: This operation will also count for the Lighthouse of Morro de Sao Paulo (DFB BA-06, ARLHS BRA-157). The team will also activate Boipeba Island (DIB BA-04) in the same island group between February 25th and March 1st. PT2OP will use the special callsign PX6B, while PY6KW will use homecall/p or possibly a special callsign. Activity on both islands will be mainly 40 and 20 meters SSB using only 100 watts into a G5RV antenna. QSL PX6T and PX6B via PT2OP. QSL PY6KW/p via his home callsign.

J7, DOMINICA (Update). John, K3TEJ, will be active as J7N from Dominica (NA-101) between February 11-27th. Activity will be on CW and RTTY with participation in both the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 14-15th) and the ARRL CW DX Contest (February 21-22nd) as Single-Op/All-Band entries. Outside of the contests he will focus on 160/30/17/12 meters. QSL via K3TEJ.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND. There seems to be an announcement of a possible operation as K4M between October 5-19th. More details are forthcoming.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (NA-106). John, K3CT, will be active as KP2/K3CT between February 18-25th. QSL via his home callsign. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) using the callsign KP2M (QSL via AI4U). Outside of the contest activity will have an emphasis on 30/17/12 meter bands.

KP5, DESECHEO ISLAND DXPEDITION (Update). The Documentary Archive Radio Communication provides, on its Web site <http://www.dokufunk.org>, another special (third) exclusive interview with Co-Team Leader Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, on the coverage of the upcoming K5D Desecheo (KP5) DXpedition. This interview has the latest information on the upcoming operation scheduled for February 12-26th. Listen to the interview at: http://www.dokufunk.org/desecheo
Remember, for updates visit the KP5 Web page at: http://www.kp5.us
Look for K5D this week... Good luck in the pile-ups!

P4, ARUBA (Update). John, KK9A, informs OPDX that he will be in Aruba between February 28th-March 9th and March 25-30th. He plans to be active as P40A again and do a casual effort in the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 27th-March 1st) as a Single-Op entry. He will also be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) and the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. John states that he will not be very active outside the contests but will likely spend sometime on 40 meters CW. QSL via WD9DZV.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES (URL Change). Jan, PA4JJ, informs OPDX that he will be on a short holiday trip to the Island of Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) and will be active as PJ2/PA4JJ. He will leave Amsterdam on March 30th and expects to be on the island until April 11th. Jan states that he will be the only ham in a party of 4, so he will try to

be active as much as he can. Activity will be on all ham bands with a focus on 30/17/12 meters and the DIGI modes (RTTY and/or PSK31). QSL cards are direct to PA4JJ. If Jan has access to the Internet, he will provide an online log on his Web site (or as soon as possible after his return home) at: http://www.pa4jj.nl/html/pj2_pa4jj_log.html

PY2, BRAZIL (New Callsign and City). Alex, PY2SEX (aka PY1KS), informs OPDX that he has moved from Campinas to Sao Paulo because of a new job and is back on the air trying to work the new "Triple Play Award" (TPA). He states that he will be on every night on 20 meters calling CQ on RTTY or PSK31. Alex states, "Whatever digital mode and of course if someone wants to go to another mode, I will glad to do that." Also, look for him to be in the ARRL DX CW (February 21-22nd) and PHONE Contest (March 7-8th) to improve his achievement for the TPA. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct (see QRZ.com) or LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
NEW QSL MANAGER. With the passing of Ted/DL4DBR (see below under "Silent Key"), Tom, SP5UAF, reports, "For many years Ted was the QSL Manager of Mirek, VK6DXI/SP5IXI, for numerous Mirek's calls. Mirek is a good friend of mine and we are in touch via E-mail all the time. I will be the QSL Manager for his calls 7X0DX and 9M8DX - for past and possible future activities. If you sent your QSL via DL4DBR for the latest 7X0DX activity (September 2008) and still have no answer, please QRX. Teddy, DL4DBR, was very ill during his last weeks and was not able to take care of the QSLing. As soon as possible his wife, Renia, DL3DBR, will send us QSL documents from the last period of time. So from now on, QSL info for 7X0DX and 9M8DX is via SP5UAF. OK to QSL via Polish QSL Bureau, or direct (if you prefer) to: Tomasz Barbachowski, Zeromskiego 10, 05-070 Sulejowek, Poland."

WEB PAGES OF INTEREST FOR QSL ROUTES (Provided By Johannes, DK8JB):
German callsign look-up (official):
http://ans.bundesnetzagentur.de/Amateurfunk/Rufzeichen.aspx
German callbook download (official):
http://ans.bundesnetzagentur.de/Amateurfunk/
QSL-Routes of Brazil can be found on:
http://www.radioamador.org.br/qsl-busca/qsl.htm

HAVE PATIENCE! More QSL cards are still being received for the many UA4WHX operations. Vlad is still sending them out.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 4A1DXXE, 9M6XRO, 9M6XRO/p, 9M8Z, A25OOK, D4C, F5IN, F5UTN, F6BEE, GM0VRP, GM3MZX, HB9FAP, HI3TEJ, HK0CW, KP4ED, LY9Y, NP2KW, OK1FAK, OX3DB, PA5O, RV6FG, SK3W, SV9CVY, TK5EP, UZ7U, V8FRO, VK9DWX, YB4IR, YS4/K9GY, YS4RR, YV4A, ZD8UW and ZF2XD

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8GT, 4A3A, 4W6R, 5R8IC, 8P5A, A25/DL7DF, 9L1X, AM5KB, C57R, CE0Y/N6NO, DU1ZV, E76AQ, EA6VQ, EL2DX, ER/RW3AH, FO/DJ7RJ, FY1FL, GW3YDX, H44MY, H44TO, HK3CQ, HP1/LA5IIA, J3/DM2AYO, KP2/NY6X, KP2/W3AVO, OM7CW, PJ2T, PJ7/W6JKV, S53MM, SV9/DL5AXX, T04X, V31XX, VU4RG, VU4MY, VU7SJ, XU7ABN, YU1AB, YW1TI, Z360M, ZK3AH and ZY0K

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O60BH, 6K5VRQ, 6L0NJ/4, BX1AD, DK1YF, DR1A, EM10KDR, ER10KDR, ET3JA, J3/S50B, OG5M, OL30SPACE, S51FB, UP21B, UR5LCV, VU7MY, VU7RG, YQ90U and Z360M

SILENT KEY. Tom, SP5UAF, informs OPDX that Tadeusz "Teddy" Barczyk (DL4DBR, ex-SP9ERC) became "SK" on January 2, 2009. Tom states, "We lost a very good friend and solid QSL Manager." For more info, please visit: http://www.qrz.com/dl4dbr
OPDX and its reader would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Dl4DBR. ADDED NOTE: See "QSL INFO AND NEWS" above (under QSL Manger "SK") for details on QSLing changes.

SPECIAL EVENT (6m Op). Andy, N8OFS, will be active as N8O "portable caboose" from Jefferson, Ohio, between June 13-15th, during 1800-0300z. Activity is to celebrate the 25th anniversary for the Ashtabula Carson & Jefferson Railway (AC&J). Look for him to be on FM (52.525, 51.500 and 50.300 MHz) and USB on 50.200 MHz. QSL via N8OFS: Andy Sargent, PO Box 517, Jefferson, OH 44047. For more details about the railroad, visit the Web page at: http://www.acjrscenic.net/history.htm

V2, ANTIGUA (NA-100). Peter, G3TKK, will be active as V25TK between February 27th and March 12th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-17 meters using CW. QSL via G3TKK, direct or by the Bureau.

V5, NAMIBIA. Klaus, DJ4SO, will once again be active as V5/DJ4SO between February 14th and March 12th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using mostly CW and RTTY/PSK31. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. His logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

V8, BRUNEI DARUSSALAM (OC-088). Just a reminder that Sam, G4OHX, will be active as V8FHX between February 11-23rd. QSL via his home callsign.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. Haru, JA1XGI/W8XGI, has changed his trip to the Pacific and will go to Christmas Island (VK9) instead of Central and Western Kiribati (T31 and T30) in November. Look for him to sign as VK9XGI between April 4-11th. Activity will be on all bands, including the lower bands, using CW and the digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, by the bureau or direct.

VY, CANADA. Operators Jeff/N1SNB and Flex/DL7FER will be active from VY2TT QTH as VY2/N1SNB during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry.

WAAB AWARD AVAILABLE. The radio club "Rio de la Plata" began issuing the W.A.A.B. (Worked Argentine Antarctic Bases) to radio amateurs and SWLs as of April 1st, 2008. To get the award the applicants must show they have worked and confirmed by QSL cards, at least 3 different Argentine Antarctic Bases. Contacts can go back as far as November 9, 2001. The current list of active Argentine Antarctic Bases are:
LU1ZA S.Orkney LU1ZD San Martin LU1ZS Camara
LU1ZAB Matienzo LU1ZG Belgrano II LU1ZV Esperanza
LU1ZB Melchior LU1ZI Jubany LU2ZD Primavera
LU1ZC Deception LU1ZR Petrel LU4ZS Marambio

The W.A.A.B. award is available by E-mail requests to the Award Manager Horacio Ledo, LU4DXU - lu4dxu@... or P.O.Box # 22, Martinez (1640) Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA. He can also supply the rules and fees for the award or visit the following Web page at: http://www.waponline.it/WapAwards/tabid/61/Default.aspx

YN2, NICARAGUA (Update/Callsigns). Operators Stan/AC8W (YN2WW), Hank/K8DD (YN2DD), Jim/KB8TXZ (YN2TX) and Lee/N8LJ (YN2LJ) will be active for one week between February 17-24th. Their activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) using the callsign YN2DD. Emphasis will be on 160/80 meters and 30/17/12 meters. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

YN2/H7, NICARAGUA. Jeff, N1SNB, will be active from here between March 5-9th for ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) from the QTH of Octavio, YN2N. He hopes to sign YN2NB during the contest and H7/N1SNB outside of the contest. He will enter ARRL DX SSB as a Single-Op/All Bands/possibly High-Power or Low-Power (TBD). QSL via his home callsign.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (Update/NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM between February 18th and March 4th. He will also be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry, and also the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 27th-March 1st) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. John informs OPDX that he will be doing mostly antenna work outside of the contests, but may get on the WARC bands or even 6 meters a bit as time permits. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

ZS8, MARION ISLANDS (News). As warned last week, BEWARE OF PIRATE ACTIVITY! The ZS8T Web states, "The ZS8T team would like to report that all DX posts posted on Feb. 2 are 100% bogus. Petrus wasn't operating that day at all. We would also like to inform the Ham Radio Community that 14.300.00 is NOT ZS8T's operating frequency, and that he will tune any other legal clean freq. to operate on 20m." Also, mentioned this week (on February 7th), (edited) "QSL cards for ZS8T are ready to be printed next week. We are proud to present the card which will be received by all stations who managed to contact Petrus on Marion Island. The card has been designed by Stan, SQ8X, and will be printed/sponsored by Emil, LZ3HI. We expect first cards to be sent as soon as mid February." The QSL can be viewed at:
Front - http://zs8t.net/wp-content/uploads/zs8t_front_small.jpg
Back - http://zs8t.net/wp-content/uploads/zs8t_back_small.thumbnail.jpg
Pictures on the QSL were taken by Nico de Buyrn (another scientist working on Marion Island) who has been generously contributing to the ZS8T site several times. For updates and official announcements of the ZS8T operation, please visit the Web site at: http://zs8t.net

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9014. Cushcraft MA-160V Antenna

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 03:00:38 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9014 Message: 9014

Is anyone on the list using this antenna ? I find that when it rains,
the resonant frequency goes down by 25 KHz or so. It may not seem
a big deal, but I am curious if this is normal or not.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9015. Re: [DX-IS] Cushcraft MA-160V Antenna

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 03:09:19 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9014 Message: 9015

At 11:00 PM 2/8/2009, you wrote:
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>the resonant frequency goes down by 25 KHz or so. It may not seem
>a big deal, but I am curious if this is normal or not.
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Hi Dick,

It's been my experience that rain and wet weather in general
tend to lower the resonant frequency of most antennas. Not 100% sure
why, but it must have to do with how they capacitively couple with
ground. It happens with all of my dipoles and both Yagis. Not a
lot, but like you say, 25 KHz or so. Some of my DXing pals have also
mentioned this over the years.

I'm not familiar with the Cushcraft MA-160V, but I'm guessing
it's a 160M vertical?

73, Paul VE1DX

9016. Re: Cushcraft MA-160V Antenna

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 04:41:39 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9014 Message: 9016

> It's been my experience that rain and wet weather in general
> tend to lower the resonant frequency of most antennas. Not 100% sure
> why, but it must have to do with how they capacitively couple with
> ground.

Water has an extremely high dielectric constant at RF frequencies because it's easy to polarize. If air = vacuum = 1, water = 80.

So it does affect the electric fields around the antenna, like you say, it changes the capacitance.

It's normal. I notice it most on my 160m vertical too, because it's a short base loaded one and has a relatively high electric field as a result. Antennas with a lot of capacitive reactance have it because the energy stored around them is largely stored in the electric field. The stored magnetic field energy that brings them to resonance is fairly localized to the loading coil.

The opposite situation would be a magloop type antenna, where the electric field storage is almost entirely localized to the area between the tuning capacitor plates. I'd actually expect a magloop to detune much less in the rain as long as you kept the area around the capacitor dry. I think that sort of antenna is the only type that would be immune to rain detuning, just because the electric field is contained instead of stored around the high voltage bits of the antenna out at the ends.

9017. M1 calls

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 17:47:24 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9017 Message: 9017

Hi there - is anyone on this list who lives in England? I would like to know where the M1 & M6 callsigns were. I've worked a few who's call was M1C, M1V in 1982 and M6T in 2000. These are not listed in either Buck or QRZ.
TIA - Rene

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ex VK2ZIZ, VK2DSW, GØNAD, MØRON,
RG8AU, BC 65L WB6PSY@...
If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhea...
does that mean that one enjoys it?

9018. Re: [DX-IS] M1 calls

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 18:29:33 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9017 Message: 9018

Hi Rene,

M1C was San Marino in 81-82 I have that. Based on that M1V was most likely to be also. No clue on M6T. Another from that era M1IPA in 82 was also San Marino.

73,
Bob
K2TK

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9019. Re comments abt M1's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 18:42:55 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9019 Message: 9019

Hey - yur right, Derek ! A contest group. M1Y & M1C was San Marino as per my notes in the log book. M1Y was my confirmed League contact. Dick, yes - I put M* in DXK and all of my 10 contacts came up. Bob, yup, wkd M1C in 1980 and again in 1982 for San Marino. No notes on M1V. Also worked M2000A in 2000 - probably a special event station in England.
tnx for the comments, guys - rene

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9020. Another M1 question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 19:03:11 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9020 Message: 9020

FYI - I put M1V in QRZ and it thought it was a Canadian postal code so it listed 39 VE/VA's who live in that area. Didn't know that feature was available - that's great! I put in 95945 and there are 173 hams just in our small zip code area (3 are ours).
Rene

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9021. RE: [DX-IS] M1 calls

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 19:16:07 UTC
From: John Klim, N3KHK
Topic: 9017 Message: 9021

Per QRZ.COM

M6T

Martlesham DX & Contest Group

C/o Andy Cook, G4PIQ, 17 Grove Lane,

Ipswich, Suffolk. IP4 1NS,

England - U.K.

73 ES CUL

John Klim

N3KHK

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2009 1:30 PM
To: WB6PSY; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] M1 calls

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9022. Re: [DX-IS] Another M1 question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 20:01:19 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 9020 Message: 9022

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> Rene
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I just tried the same thing, using 31601 thinking Valdosta,
Georgia. Try it and see what happens! Be sure to read all the
listings! <G>

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Earl

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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

9023. Fw: QRZ and aliases

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 20:44:46 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9023 Message: 9023

Enter your zip code and get a list.

Enter your town, State [2 letter code]

Enter your last name ... etc

INTERESTING!!

9024. Re: [DX-IS] Another M1 question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-09 21:10:04 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 9020 Message: 9024

But when you input zip code 31601 you get all kinds of foreign
listings, too! Which is what I was getting at -- pretty nifty!

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Earl

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Earl Needham
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, February 09, 2009 3:01 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Another M1 question
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> WB6PSY wrote:
> > FYI - I put M1V in QRZ and it thought it was a Canadian postal code so it listed 39 VE/VA's who live in that area. Didn't know that feature was available - that's great! I put in 95945 and there are 173 hams just in our small zip code area (3 are ours).
> > Rene
> >
> I just tried the same thing, using 31601 thinking Valdosta,
> Georgia. Try it and see what happens! Be sure to read all the
> listings! <G>
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> 7 3
> Earl
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.0.233 / Virus Database: 270.10.19/1940 - Release Date: 02/07/09 13:39:00
>
>

9025. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #895.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-10 03:19:24 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9025 Message: 9025

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Update on the K5D DXpedition.....

February 8, 2009
Everyone arrived safely in San Juan PR yesterday; the last group at about midnight. Last night we executed a contract for a helicopter to transport our heavier items including transceivers, amps, generators and shelters.

Fifteen Team Members plus a half-dozen USFWS personnel completed UXO (UneXploded Ordnance) training this morning.

Today was spent transiting from San Juan to our team HQ hotel in Rincon PR. On the way, we stopped at the Arecibo Radio Telescope (http://www.naic.edu), visit courtesy Angel, WP3R.

More news posted here (http://www.kp5.us/) as it becomes available.

Here are some photos taken today from Rincon; click HERE.
http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/feb08.htm

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Operating Modes and Frequencies
These are planned bands, modes and frequencies. Of course these may get adjusted because of QRM:

BAND CW SSB RTTY
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160m 1826 up or dn 1843.3 up --
80m 3523 up or dn 3781 up or dn 3589 dn
40m 7023 up 7084 up or dn 7089 up or dn
30m 10106 up -- 10149 dn
20m 14023 up 14190 up or dn 14089 dn
17m 18072 up 18165 dn 18108 dn
15m 21023 up 21295 up 21089 up

12m 24892 up 24987 dn --
10m 28023 up 28470 up 28089 up
6m 50106 up 50130 up

Special Notes:
160m CW: RX - JA -10 kHz; Rest of the world up

80m CW: RX - Rest of the 3525 and up
JA - 0830z QSY ti 3502 and listen up

75m SSB: RX - Americas 3800 kHz and above; Rest of the
world 3799 kHz and below
JA WINDOWS - 3704-3716, 3747-3770 and/or 3793-3805

40m SSB: RX - Americas 7228 kHz and above; Australia 7103 kHz
and above; Rest of the world down

40m RTTY: 7089 will be good for NA, but EU has a hard time hearing
above 7070. They might want to transmit 7050 or so IF they
don't QRM their 40m CW operations
JA RTTY WINDOW: 7025-7045

KP4-5 SSB Transmit windows: 7075-7099, 7125-7300
[They might need to transmit SSB on 7295 (listen down) if
interference with CW on 40m]

Note: On 6m there will be only CW/SSB operations.

Note: They are fully aware of the (U.S.) bands plans and they will
also listen above 14225 kHz.

Caribbean and Puerto Rico Special notes:
- 2m simplex 146.52
- 6m simplex 50.120 for KP4 & Caribbean
- 10m simplex 28.315 for KP4 & Caribbean
- 40m daytime 7.095 for KP4 & Caribbean

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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9026. [Fwd: Jim - VK9NS - SK]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-10 11:46:25 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 9026 Message: 9026
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

This is truly sad news. I have quite a few entries in my log with Jim and always enjoyed chatting with him and listening in while he worked a pile up.

Phil
N9LAH

-------- Original Message --------

Please pass on to interested parties I am sorry if I have not included everyone:

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Jim's contribution to Amateur Radio, DX-ing and IOTA is inestimable. He will be sadly missed.

Further information and condolences can be sent to Kirsti at jimkirsti@... <mailto:jimkirsti@...>

Bruce (G3HSR)

9027. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #895.2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-10 23:39:16 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9027 Message: 9027

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K5D DXpedition Update
Dated - February 10, 2009

The K5D Team continues to prepare for its early Thursday AM departure for Desecheo Island. Last night the team met and had dinner with USFWS participants, law enforecement personnel and members of the field research

team. Due to continued questionable weather (which for some weeks has
included large waves, dangerous surf, high winds and rain unusual for
this time of year), the Team has made an important strategic decision.

For safety reasons, all personnel and equipment will be transported to
Desecheo Island by helicopter. The possibility of Team members and crew
members being injured, vessels being damaged and equipment being lost
during a sea landing was too great a chance to take.

Today, all of the equipment, supplies, antennas, generators, food,
shelters, tables, chairs and so forth were unloaded from the storage
facility and loaded into a large moving van for transfer to the helicopter
pad.

Tomorrow, representatives of the helicopter company will meet the Team,
examine the cargo and prepare it for transit via sling load on Thursday
morning. A second helicopter will ferry personnel. Because we're limited
to only fourteen days on the island, doing it this way will allow us to get
on the air sooner, stay on the air longer -- and all with a higher degree
of safety.

The Team has voted, if necessary, to contribute more money of their own
to help contain these incremental costs.

If you're inclined to contribute more to help, it would be appreciated.
To contribute, click HERE.
http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/help.htm

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always be posted there first. <http://www.kp5.us/>

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9028. RE: [OPDX] Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #895.2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-11 00:04:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9028 Message: 9028

If anyone else got a notification that the URL http://www.hidxa.nlk.nf is "suspicious" just copy & paste it into your browser. Or, you can enter HIDXA into Google and it will point you in the right direction.

Does anyone know how old Jim was at his passing?

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: opdx-bounces@... [mailto:opdx-bounces@...] On Behalf Of Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 7:39 PM
To: Ohio/Penn DX Mailing List
Subject: [OPDX] Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #895.2

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-11 15:54:16 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9029 Message: 9029

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.895.3
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Please be advised that in OPDX.895.2 the E-mail address for Kirsti Smith
had a typo in it and was incorrect. The correct E-mail
address is: jimkirsti@...

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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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9030. ARLD006 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-12 22:49:07 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 792 Message: 9030

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD006
ARLD006 DX news

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DX Bulletin 6 ARLD006
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT February 12, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD006
ARLD006 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Stavros, 5B4AFM is QRV as 8Q7FM from the Lhaviyani Atoll, IOTA AS-013, until February 19. Activity is on 40 and 30 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via M0BBB.

GHANA, 9G. Rob, PA3DEW and Vincent, PA3FQX will be QRV as 9G1AA from Dormaa Ahenkro beginning February 14. They plan to be active on 20 meters around 1600z. QSL via PA3ERA.

TONGA, A3. Bert, CX3AN will be QRV as A35HA from Tongatapu Island, IOTA OC-049, beginning February 14 for one week. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters, with an emphasis on 30 and 17 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Girts, YL2KL will be QRV as D4C as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the CQ WW WPX RTTY contest. QSL via CT1ESV.

ESTONIA, ES. Station ES5Q will be a Multi/Single entry in the CQ WW WPX RTTY contest. QSL via ES5RY.

HUNGARY, HA. Members of the Puskas Tivadar radio club are QRV from Bucharest using special event callsign HA130HALLO until March 31 to commemorate the first telephone usage in Hungary 130 years ago. Activity is on all bands using mostly CW but also in SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via HA5KHC.

THAILAND, HS. Champ, E21EIC is QRV as E21EIC/8 from Southern Thailand until February 16. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX RTTY contest. Japanese stations QSL via JR5XPG and all others via E21EIC.

PANAMA, HP. Members of the Radio Club of Panama and the Panama Canal ARA will be QRV as H81L on February 14 and 15 from the Lighthouse ARLHS PAN-030 at Miraflores Locks. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via HP1RCP.

DESECHEO ISLAND, KP5. A group of operators are QRV as K5D until February 26. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via N2OO.

GREECE, SV. Demetrius, SV2GWY will be QRV as SX2CM on February 14 and 15 to honor the brothers Cyril and Methodius. QSL direct to home call.

BELIZE, V3. Operators AB7RW, AC7UH, KT7G and N7WO are QRV as V31RW, V31UH, V31TB and V31WO, respectively, until February 24. This includes being an entry in the CQ WW WPX RTTY contest as V31TB. QSL via operators' instructions.

NAMIBIA, V5. Klaus, DJ4SO will be QRV as V5/DJ4SO from the Matunda Guest Farm from February 15 to March 12. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL via bureau.

BRUNEI, V8. Sam, G4OHX is QRV as V8FHX until February 23. Activity is on 80, 40 and 20 meters using mostly CW. QSL direct to home call.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. John, KX7YT and Rob, N1KEZ are QRV as VP5/homecalls from Providenciales, IOTA NA-002, until February 15. This includes being entries in the CQ WW WPX RTTY contest. QSL to home calls.

INDONESIA, YB. Look for YE1ZAT to be a Multi/Single entry in the CQ WW WPX RTTY contest. QSL via bureau.

NICARAGUA, YN. Operators K8DD, AC8W, N8LJ, KB8TXZ will be QRV as YN2DD, YN2WW, YN2LJ and YN2TX from February 17 to 24. Activity is on all bands and modes. This includes an entry in the upcoming ARRL DX CW contest as YN2DD. QSL via operators' instructions.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Chad, TT8JT, 2008 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide RTTY WPX Contest, NCCC Sprint, North American SSB Sprint, YLRL YL-OM Contest, PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint, New Hampshire QSO Party, Asia-Pacific Spring CW Sprint, Dutch PACC Contest, KCJ Topband CW Contest, Louisiana QSO Party, OMISS SSB QSO Party, FISTS Winter CW Sprint and RSGB 1st 1.8 MHz CW Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP Contest is scheduled for February 16. The AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening is scheduled for February 18. Please see February QST, page 82 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9031. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #895.4

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-12 23:42:56 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9031 Message: 9031

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K5D DXpedition Update
February 12, 2009

Per Glenn W0GJ: 1600z: "About half done moving gear to island. Things going well. Very, very HOT!"

At 1240Z the first helicopter with five Team Members aboard took off from Rincon and a few minutes later landed safely on Desecheo Island. The K5D Desecheo 2009 DXpedition is officially ON!

QRV (single transmitter only) still planned near 0200Z tonight.

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9032. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #895.5

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-13 00:26:37 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9032 Message: 9032

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Per Glenn W0GJ and Bob K4UEE @ 23:45Z: "Heavy winds during the day delayed several helicopter flights so we're running quite a bit behind schedule. For example, we had to wait until the last helicopter trip to begin erecting shelters. We're all exhausted and have quite a bit of infrastructure work yet to do (in the dark). Regrettably, this will delay our planned QRV until (hopefuly) near 1600Z tomorrow (Friday). We're sorry to disappoint those expecting us on the air tonight.

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9033. What's up with YT3AA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-13 13:52:18 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9033 Message: 9033

I worked YT3AA once in my life on 13 Oct 2008. He gets on 20M
and calls CQ various times, but if I call him he sends "VE1DX QSO B4"
and resumes calling CQ. Is this some sort of special event
station/contest/marathon? It's not like he has a pileup. Sometimes
he's calling CQ 4-5 minutes with no takers. He's done this to me
twice in the past month, so obviously I won't ever call him again.

QRZ.COM says, "Radio Amateurs, if You have 5 QSO from Denominate
Signs, you get Free Degree only 2 IRC. And if you have 9 QSO from
Denominate Signs you get Special Award" so maybe it's an award thing.

Anyone know what is special with this station, or is it just me
he doesn't like? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9034. The king of PSK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-13 14:03:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9034 Message: 9034

Looks like you are whipping them off on PSK31, Gary. Some pretty good stuff there. I need to hone my PSK31 skills . . . you must have DXCC on the mode! Congratulations.

73, Paul VE1DX

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14071.1 YV6BFE 12-Feb-2009 2248Z PSK PSK31 <AB9M>
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9035. Re: [DX-IS] What's up with YT3AA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-13 15:20:47 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 9033 Message: 9035

Paul:

His QRZ.com listing looks like he is publicizing some kind of award for working specified numbers of the call signs which are listed. Could be a club or maybe calls he's used for special events. It's not among the awards from Yugoslavia listed in my Directory. The information is hard to understand, I agree.

Ted Melinosky K1BV
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Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> I worked YT3AA once in my life on 13 Oct 2008. He gets on 20M
> and calls CQ various times, but if I call him he sends "VE1DX QSO B4"
> and resumes calling CQ. Is this some sort of special event
> station/contest/marathon? It's not like he has a pileup. Sometimes
> he's calling CQ 4-5 minutes with no takers. He's done this to me
> twice in the past month, so obviously I won't ever call him again.
>
> QRZ.COM says, "Radio Amateurs, if You have 5 QSO from Denominate
> Signs, you get Free Degree only 2 IRC. And if you have 9 QSO from
> Denominate Signs you get Special Award" so maybe it's an award thing.
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> Anyone know what is special with this station, or is it just me
> he doesn't like? :-)
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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9036. [425ENG] 425 DX News #928

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+ JIM SMITH, VK9NS +

The DX community worldwide mourns the loss of James B. Smith, VK9NS, who passed peacefully away on Norfolk Island on 10 February after a short illness. First licenced in 1947 as VS1BQ (Singapore), over sixty years Jim operated under a large number of callsigns and from many countries all over the world, including new and rare DXCC entities and IOTA groups (A35MR, A51JS, A52JS, H40AB, S21ZA, T31JS, T33JS, VK0JS, VK9WW and W1RZ/KH9, just to name a few). "I mention being dragged 'kicking and screaming' into the hobby", he said in his autobiography ("The Old Timer"), "but once there now feel that I have participated in the hobby in many ways. I have been lucky (if that is the right word) to have travelled extensively and often the travel has been related to Amateur Radio in the sense of DXpeditions. I have always been interested in DXing and being able to give something back to the hobby has been lots of fun and dare I say it often hard work". The stories of a number of his DX operations can be found on the website of the Heard Island DX Association (www.hidxa.nlk.nf), formed in 1980. Jim's inestimable contribution to DXing was acknowledged in 1986, when he was inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame.
Jim is survived by his wife Kirsti (VK9NL) and his four children: Bruce (G3HSR), Stuart, Sheena and Fraser, all living in the UK. Condolences can be sent to Kirsti at jimkirsti@...
"A Tribute to Jim B. Smith, VK9NS" can be found on the Documentary Archive Radio Communication's website (http://www.dokufunk.org/vk9ns).

>>> K5D * DESECHEO ISLAND <<<

Due to continued questionable weather (large waves, dangerous surf, high winds and rain unusual for this time of year), the K5D Team decided that all personnel and equipment (more than seven tons) would be transported to Desecheo Island by helicopter. The first flight with five team members took off from Rincon, Puerto Rico at 12.40 UTC on 12 February, but heavy winds during the day delayed several helicopter flights. The team was quite a bit

behind schedule, and K5D became QRV at 16 UTC on 13 February.
The team consists of 22 operators: eight of them (K4UEE, K9SG, N4GRN, NA5U, VE7CT, W0NB, W0RUN and W8OI) will remain on the island through 26 February; other seven (K0IR, K5AND, N6MZ, W0GJ, W2GD, W6IZT and WB9Z) will leave Desecheo on 19 February and be replaced by the third group of seven (K0JGH, K1KD, K5AC, N4NX, NP4Z, VA7DX and WP3MW).
K5D will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, with eight stations for the HF bands, plus one station for 6 metres (SSB and CW). Suggested frequencies (please read the Special Notes on the website) where to find K5D are: 1826, 3523, 7023, 10106, 14023, 18072, 21023, 24892, 28023 and 50106 kHz (CW); 1843.3, 3781, 7084, 14190, 18165, 21295, 24987, 28470 and 50130 kHz (SSB); 3589, 7089, 10149, 14089, 18108, 21089 and 28089 (RTTY).
Bookmark www.kp5.us for updates, propagation charts, on-line logsearch and detailed information on how to contribute, as financial support is still being sought and very welcome.
An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be activated after the DXpedition goes QRT. You will be able to request your QSLs one of four ways: OQRS Direct, OQRS Bureau, direct mail to N2OO (Bob Schenck, P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087, USA) or via bureau to N2OO.

8Q - After operating as 4S7FMG from Sri Lanka (AS-003, 9-12 February), Stavros, 5B4AFM has moved to the Maldives (AS-013) and will be active holiday style as 8Q7FM until 19 February. He operates CW and SSB mainly on 30 and 40 metres. QSL for both calls via M0BBB. [TNX NG3K]
C6 - Once again Bob, N4BP (C6AKQ) and Kevin, K4PG (C6APG) will be active from the Bahamas on 18-22 February. They plan to operate on 160 metres and either 40 or 80 metres during the ARRL DX CW Contest, and to concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres between antenna jobs. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
GU - Lionel, MU0GSY will air two special event callsigns from Guernsey (EU-114) to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Worked All Britain Awards Group: GP4WAB on 14-15 February and GP7WAB on 21-22 February. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
J3 - Bill, K4LTA (J37BO) and Ruby, K4UPS (J37RO) will be active again from Grenada from 18 February until 4 March. Bill will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as J38A. They will be joined by AK4Z, KT4E and KE4TG, who will be QRV as J3/home call. [TNX QRZ-DX]
PY - Participating stations in the South American Lighthouses Weekend (20-22 February, http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros.htm) include Hamilton, PY6HD as ZZ6Z from Subauma Lighthouse (QSL via PY6HD); Ramon, PY6KY as PS6T (requested call) from Itapua Lighthouse (QSL via PY6KY) and Scout station PY1GE from Ponta Negra Lighthouse (QSL via PY1NEZ). [TNX PY1NEZ]
PY - PX6B is the callsign that Orlando, PT2OP will be using from Boipeba Island (SA-080) on 25 February-1 March [425DXN 927]. QSL via home call. [TNX PY1NEZ]
TU - Paolo, F8ENY will be active as TU/F8ENY from San Pedro, Ivory Coast from 16 February to 2 March. He will operate mainly on 20

metres. [TNX F5NQL]
UA_ant - Nick, RW6ACM (ex R1ANL) is active as R1ANB from the Russian Antarctic station Mirny. He operates CW and SSB on the HF bands and will remain there for the next few months. QSL via RN1ON, direct or bureau. [TNX RN1ON]
UR - Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Ukrainian club station UB5KFF, special callsign EM50KFF will be aired on all bands and modes from 14 February to 1 March. QSL via US0KW, direct or bureau. [TNX US0KW]
V6 - Mike, KM9D (V63MY) and Jan, KF4TUG (V63TO) are now lying to anchor in the lagoon of Nukuoro Atoll (OC-259), Micronesia. They will remain there "for not less than 3 days". QSL via OM2SA. Their next stop might be Kapingamarangi Atoll (OC-163), some 300 kilometres south of Nukuoro. Keep an eye on their course at http://www.findu.com/cgi-bin/track.cgi?call=KM9D [TNX The Daily DX]
YN - Hank/K8DD (YN2DD), Stan/AC8W (YN2WW), Lee/N8LJ (YN2LJ) and Jim/ will be active on all bands and modes from Nicaragua on 17-24 February. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as YN2DD. Check www.qrz.com for QSL information. [TNX K8DD]
YS - Eric, K9GY will be active again from El Salvador on 18-23 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (21-22 February). He plans to concentrate on 160, 30, 17 and 12 metres before the contest. QSL direct to home call, or (preferably) via LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
Z3 - Members of the Macedonian Telegraphic Group (MCWG) will be active as Z30MCWG from 20 February through 31 December. They will operate mainly CW on all of the HF bands. QSL direct to Z35M. [TNX Z35M]

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK ---> The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the sixth Antarctic Activity Week will be held from 16 to 22 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worldwide interest in the Antarctic continent. Several special event callsigns from around the world are expected to take part in this year's AAW. Participating stations (QSL via operator's instructions) are announced from the following countries:
Austria OE3AGA/AAW, OE3AIS/AAW, OE3HM/AAW, OE3KKA/AAW, OE3RPB/AAW, OE3SGA/AAW, OE3WWB/AAW
Bulgaria LZ06ANT, LZ09IPY
Canada VA2WAP, VA3AAO, VA3WAP, VA7AAW
England GB0ANT, GB4IPY
EU Russia UE6ICE
France TM0ANT, TM1ANT, TM5ICE, TM8ICE
Germany DA0ANT, DR09ANT
Italy IA0IPY, II2ANT, II5AM, II5ANT, IP9IPY, IR1ANT, IR1WAP, IR2WAP, IU2ANT, IU8ANT, IY8WAP
Morocco 5D0IPY
Slovenia S50IPY
Spain EG2ANT
Switzerland HE8ICE
Ukraine UR2XO/WAP, UR5KCC/WAP, UR5KGG/WAP, UR8LV/WAP, UT1KY/WAP, UT7UA/WAP

USA K4A, N5T/ANT, W6A
Full information on the AAW can be found at http://www.waponline.it

ANTARCTIC ADVENTURE ---> CE9XX, FT5YJ and VP8DLM are the callsigns issued to Mehdi, F5PFP for the Antarctic cruise [425DXN 888] that will take place between 18 February and 17 March (http://www.french-polar-team.fr/). Plans are to visit and operate from several Antarctic bases located in the South Shetlands (AN-010) and Palmer Archipelago (AN-012), as well as on the Antarctic mainland (AN-016). Mehdi and Jean-Pierre, ON7ZM plan to operate mainly SSB on 20 metres (14315 kHz), with some activity on 17, 30 and 40 metres. QSL via F5PFP, direct or bureau. [TNX F5PFP]

CQ WW WPX RTTY CONTEST ---> A number of changes have been made in the 2009 rules, including the SWL category (thanks to Marek, SP7DQR, who has written SWL log check software and to Dan, I1-12387, who will lead the SWL log checking). Please visit http://www.cqwpxrtty.com/ for complete information on the contest. The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (14-15 February):

Call	Category	DXCC	QSL
4M5DX	M/S HP	Venezuela	IT9DAA
D4C	SOAB LP	Cape Verde	qrz.com
EF8M	SOAB HP	Canary Is	RD3AF
ES5Q	M/S	Estonia	ES5RY
HI3CCP		Dominican Republic	ON4IQ
HI3TEJ	SOAB LP	Dominican Republic	ON4IQ
J7N	SOAB	Dominica	K3TEJ
LQ0F	SOSB 40m LP	Argentina	EA5KB
LS1D	M/S	Argentina	LW9EOC
LT0H	SOAB HP	Argentina	EA7FTR
LT2F	SOAB LP or SOSB 20m	Argentina	EA5KB
LV6D	M/S	Argentina	EA5KB
NP3U	M/2	Puerto Rico	WP4U
TC3EC	M/S	Turkey	TA3GO
UU7J	M/?	Ukraine	UU0JM
V31TB	M/?	Belize	KT7G
WA2USA/4		USA	WA2USA
WP4I	SOSB 80m	Puerto Rico	W3HNK
YN2S		Nicaragua	W3HNK
Z37M	M/?	Macedonia	Z37M

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqrjwpx2009.html - good contest to you all!

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14TH IOTA DINNER ---> The 14th Annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held on Friday, 17 April 2009, in the Plaza Room of the Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center, in conjunction with the 60th annual Visalia International DX Convention (http://dxconvention.org/). For additional information regarding this event, please contact Ray Benny, N6VR (rbenny@...) or Will Costello, WC6DX (wc6dx@...). [TNX N6VR]

ANDORRA ---> The Andorran Radioamateurs Union (URA) reminds that the local administration has not implemented the CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01. Therefore any C3/homecall activity should be regarded as illegal. The up-to-date list of licenced amateurs can be found at http://www.ura.ad/

DXCC NEWS ---> TT8JT (Chad, 2008 Operation) has bee approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

IARU NEWS ---> Balloting by IARU Member-Societies on four proposals presented to them in September 2008 was completed on 10 February 2009. Seventy-three Member-Societies cast votes or abstentions on the four proposals, which have been adopted. They concerned the ratification of the nominations of Timothy S. Ellam (VE6SH/G4HUA) and Ole Garpestad (LA2RR) to serve respectively as President and Vice President of the IARU for a five-year term beginning on 9 May 2009, and the admission to the IARU of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) and the Kazakhstan Federation of Radiosports and Radioamateur (KFRR).

QSL 9M6JC ---> Buzz, NI5DX is the new QSL manager for John Lee, 9M6JC. Buzz will be able to answer all requests for contacts made with John, but there will be a delay in sending out cards until 9M6JC sends some blank cards to NI5DX. New cards will be ordered shortly and will take about 5 weeks to arrive after the order goes to the printer. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

WAAB AWARD ---> Sponsored by the Radio Club Rio de la Plata (www.lu5da.org.ar), is it issued to licenced amateurs and SWLs for contacting amateur radio stations located at the various Argentine Antarctic bases. The Award Manager is Horacio Ledo, LU4DXU (lu4dxu@...). [TNX W9KNI]

+ SILENT KEYS + Other recently reported Silent Keys include George Beasley (5B4AGC/G3LNS), Niklaus Oser (HB9EAA), Bill Leahey (K0ZL), Karyn W. Allen (KA0K), Harry Nishiyama (KH6FKG), Luis Soares Beirao (S92LB), Leo J. Boberschmidt (W3LEO/MM0LEO), Donald G. Lemley Sr (W8DL) and Brice Anderson (W9PNE).

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3D2OU N7OU EA6AM EA6AZ SE800M SK6NL
4JT17X 4K4K EG7BMC EA7URD SN0KURA SP5HEN
4JT3DGF 4K4K EK6YL SP9LJD SN120SG SP9PDG
4JT5A 4K4K EP4HR I2MQP SN90SW SP9PSJ
4KT17X 4K4K ER5GB W3HNK SO5AS G4ASL
4KT8M 4K8M ES5/5B4AHS RA3AUU SN90HUO SP3HUO
4KT9W DL6KVA ES5/ON9CIB RA3AUU SU9HP SC6A
4L1FP LZ1OT EX8AB RX3RC T20HC DL9HCU
4L1MA ON4RU EY8MM K1BV T88MJ JG1MJR
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4X0WFF 4X4JU FW5RE HA8IB TM9FL F5KFL
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5H1DF DL7DF GB5OBH G4STH TU5JD IK2IQD
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5Z4PL DJ0TA HE8CIC HB9CIC UE9CAP RK9CYA
6W1SJ E73Y HE8HLM EA7FTR UE9GDA RA9FDR
7S3F SM3AF HK0/EA7HEJ EA7HEJ UN7MMM EA7FTR
7X2EB EA7FTR HV0A IK0FVC UN9PQ IK2QPR
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9038. ARLP007 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-13 20:24:51 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 1144 Message: 9038

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ARLP007 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP07
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 7 ARLP007
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 13, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP007
ARLP007 Propagation de K7RA

Sunspots returned this week, or one did, but it is an old Cycle 23 spot. Sunspot 1012 has been visible the last couple of days, February 11-12. It is down near the Sun's equator, which is typical for spots from a previous cycle. Nice to have a sunspot, but it doesn't indicate activity from the new Cycle 24, which has been so eerily quiet.

We saw a few days this week when the geomagnetic activity was very, very low. Look at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt and note all the zeroes from February 8-10 in both the middle latitude and high latitude numbers.

We could see some geomagnetic activity this weekend due to energy from a solar wind stream. The predicted planetary A index from NOAA for February 13-19 is 5, 10, 15, 10, 5, 5 and 5. Geophysical Institute Prague sees slightly earlier activity, with quiet on February 13, unsettled February 14, quiet to unsettled February 15, and quiet February 16-19.

If we get at least a few days that have a sunspot number of 11 (this is the minimum non-zero sunspot number), it makes a difference in the MUF of many paths. For instance, with no sunspots, the projected path from Philadelphia to France for today shows MUF values every half hour from 1500-1900z as 17.7, 18.2, 18.5, 18.6, 18.5, 18.4, 17.4, 16.5 and 15.4 MHz. With a sunspot number of 11 for several days, the MUF values change to 19.4, 20, 20.1, 20.1, 20, 19.5, 18.3, 17.3 and 16.2 MHz.

Over the same path, with no sunspots over the same time period the odds of communication on 17 meters would be 25-50% at 1500z, 50-75% at 1530-1730z, 25-50% at 1800z, and less than 25% at 1830-1900z.

With a sunspot number of 11 for several days, the same Philadelphia to France path would have odds of success on 17 meters of 75-100%

from 1500-1700z, 50-75% at 1730-1800z, 25-50% at 1830z, and less than 25% at 1900z.

Last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP006 contained a comment about 10-meter propagation, and that Great Britain used a system operating from 30-50 MHz in the World War II era for over-the-horizon radar, known as Chain Home.

This brought an interesting email from Brett Graham, VR2BG about Chain Home, and later HF OTH radar systems. Brett says Chain Home operated on 20-30 MHz. For images of Chain Home antenna towers, look at, http://static.panoramio.com/photos/original/5004131.jpg, http://static.panoramio.com/photos/original/5173635.jpg and http://tinyurl.com/dx3h38.

You can watch an online video of Brett explaining the history of OTH radar and modern uses at a multimedia messaging server at, mms://max-server.net/2008_vr2bg. Just click on that link, or paste it into your web browser's URL field without the usual http at the front. This was recorded at the 2008 Asia-Pacific DX Convention in November in Osaka, Japan.

Many of us recall the Russian Woodpecker OTH system of past years, and the huge amount of QRM it generated all over the HF spectrum. Check out some photos of those systems at, http://www.techblog.tomksoft.com/data/duga-3/receiver-antenna.jpg, http://2.bp.blogspot.com/_Yaoe2Ha8Lpk/SFHwGDeOQGI/AAAAAAAABVs/oUCKSlQsjPI/s320/Duga3.jpg
and http://www.techblog.tomksoft.com/data/duga-3/antennas.jpg.

I believe at least one of those images is from inside the Chernobyl exclusion zone. Brett comments on the video that it took a lot of electrical power to drive those huge arrays. On the video Brett gives a great deal of information concerning current HF OTH systems operated by different countries, and the type of threat they present to HF communications.

Joe Schroeder, W9JUV of Glenview, Illinois sent this memory of Chain Home signals after World War II:

"N6TP's comment on Chain Home radar really brought back memories! I was a newly minted ham in 1946 and when 10 (the only HF band the military had released for ham use!) opened to Europe in the fall we used the Chain Home buzz on the high end of the band to judge band conditions to Europe. I was using a home made two element Yagi roped to the top of the chimney and 50 watts to an 807. When the FCC gave us the 27 Mc band we'd sometimes work Europe duplex by calling CQ continuously on 11 and announcing 'Tuning 28.3 to 28.4 for any calls.'"

He continues, "My 807 and I had 52 countries worked when I finally went high power with a rebuilt pre-WWII amp running a pair of

TZ-40s. Heady days for a young high school kid!"

Richard Weil, KW0U of St. Paul, Minnesota wrote to tell us about working DX with a modest station. He has a half-wave 20 meter dipole in the attic of his condo, and runs around 100 watts. He wrote, "On 31 January at 2310Z I was listening on 14.247 when BX5AA, Jimmy in Taiwan, came in clear. We had a solid 2-minute QSO. Checking later I realized we were right on the greyline--my sunset time matched his sunrise. (Years ago I did just the reverse to nail Marion Island.) Watching for conditions like this can sometimes be surprising--and rewarding!"

You can see a photo of Richard and more of his comments at, http://www.qrz.com/db/kw0u/.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for February 5 through 11 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 11 with a mean of 1.6. 10.7 cm flux was 70.1, 70.1, 71.1, 71.2, 70.7, 67.6, and 70.3 with a mean of 70.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 2, 3, 4, 4, 3 and 5 with a mean of 4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0 and 2 with a mean of 1.4.
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9039. Power Line Noise and Cure

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-13 21:47:34 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9039 Message: 9039

Last week I started to hear +30dB over S9 noise pulses on the FT-2000.
They were random, so I eliminated electric fences.
I called my power company and found out that they have an RFI specialist
who has a truck load of equipment and just deals with power line problems.

The fact that he is a Ham also didn't hurt !

He was out the next day and a few days later had a line crew out fixing
the problems. One problem he couldn't touch was a losse ground wire on
a competitors power pole. But, their RFI guy came out and he is also a
Ham.

Now if this were back in the Boston area, first, you couldn't find an RFI
guy and second, they would only respond after the problem intensified
to the point that something blew up !!

Needless to say, I am suitably impressed.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9040. Re: [DX-IS] The king of PSK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 02:10:07 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9034 Message: 9040

Thanks for the kind words Paul. I do not yet have DXCC on PSK-31 but that is a goal. Checking DXKeeper, for PSK-31 I have 56 worked, 21 confirmed in LOTW in a little over four months. I am trying to generate more DX activity on PSK-31 by spotting what I'm hearing / seeing on the Stations Heard screen of WinWarbler in the DXLab Suite then generating a weekly QSN Report using SpotCollector which I email to Carl Smith for publication in QRZ DX.

I try to listen for / work PSK-31 DX stations mornings just after local sunrise and late afternoon using my Corsair II and TH7 at 50'. I also try to verify each station callsign with Pathfinder and I use PropView and DXView to try to validate the more rare / unique stations. To be honest I enjoy the QSN Reporting and don't call as often as I should to get stations in my DXKeeper log and LOTW.... maybe I should see if I can get DXCC PSK-31 via LOTW before Dayton this year.

I'll look for you at the DX Dinner "Happy Hour"

Best regards,

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From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, February 13, 2009 8:03 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] The king of PSK

Looks like you are whipping them off on PSK31, Gary. Some pretty good stuff there. I need to hone my PSK31 skills . . . you must have DXCC on the mode! Congratulations.

73, Paul VE1DX

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9041. Re: [DX-IS] The king of PSK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 02:42:52 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 9034 Message: 9041

How can I filter out all the PSK and RTTY spots? Haven't figured that out yet.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from beautiful Miquelon for the IARU contest in July

9042. RE: [DX-IS] The king of PSK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 02:58:22 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9034 Message: 9042

If you find out, Peg, let us know. I'm no more interested in them (RTTY, PSK, any of the digital stuff) than I am in another hole in my head and I'd sure love to get rid of the spots also.

BTW, I called for a little while in the zoo on K5D on 20 earlier but gave up. I also called on 30 for a while but gave up because they weren't working much north of New England and I didn't hear a single VE worked in more than 40 minutes. I need some band fills, especially the WARC bands, and, believe it or not, 80 CW.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Peg Haese KB9LIE
Sent: Friday, February 13, 2009 10:43 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] The king of PSK

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9043. RE: [DX-IS] The king of PSK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 03:03:30 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9034 Message: 9043

SpotCollector determines a spot's mode by inspecting its notes and considering its frequency. You can filter by mode -- and by many other parameters. Its free via www.dxlabsuite.com .

73,

Dave, 8P9RY

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Yahoo! Groups Links

9044. RE: [DX-IS] The king of PSK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 03:26:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9034 Message: 9044

At 11:03 PM 2/13/2009, you wrote:
>SpotCollector determines a spot's mode by inspecting its notes and
>considering its frequency. You can filter by mode -- and by many other
>parameters. Its free via www.dxlabsuite.com .
>
> 73,
>
> Dave, 8P9RY

Dave's recommendation applies to the DX Labs suite, which I use and highly recommend. (SpotCollector is a module of this package.) However, if you are simply using a telnet client to connect to a DX Cluster, you should be able to use the cluster's Help command to figure out how to filter out digital modes.

The problem is I can't tell you exactly how because there are various flavours of DX Clusters (AR Cluster, CC Cluster, DX Spider, etc.) The filter commands vary slightly from system to system. All I can suggest is learn the band segments where the digital modes are prevalent, and use the appropriate filters on your cluster to suppress spots in that range.

Like anything else, the digitals modes are an integral part of Ham radio. Maybe instead of trying to filter them out, get a program that supports them (such as DX Suites' WinWarbler) and spend an hour or so learning how to use it. RTTY and PSK open up a whole new world of DXing, and at the bottom of the cycle when the action is slow, perhaps the thrill of chasing a new DXCC mode is more interesting than learning how to filter out the spots. I did it (and still do), and it was/is fun.

73, Paul VE1DX (DXCC RTTY #467 in 1993)

9045. K5D observations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 20:14:17 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9045 Message: 9045

20 meter CW, first full day of ops, 2000 UTC. I worked them from NC with 100 watts into a hex beam. Took about 40 minutes of calling. Here are some thoughts from my end:

1. Whoever is doing the CW on 20 is OUTSTANDING. Keeps the rate going consistently at 2 per min, and insists on call repeats with "DL? KN" and does not tolerate tail-enders.

2. How the ops listen to the overwhelming CW signals is amazing, it is a real CRUSH of tones. And it sounds like TOTAL chaos. These guys are top notch.

3. I tried to use the technique of "follow the pack" but so many stations calling even when he asks for a specific station, I can't tell what freq he is listening to. So I picked a frequency in the middle that sounded fairly clear, crossed my fingers, and kept at it. Finally paid off. Luck!

4. There are as many EU stations being worked as there are NA, and this is a good thing.

Number 252, and I will be sending a donation to these guys!

DX IS!

Mark Lunday
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http://wd4elg.net

9046. Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 22:02:50 UTC
From: Bruce Sawtelle
Topic: 9046 Message: 9046

I realize it's only been 30 hours since they started, but the web page says they would be uploading logs twice daily. A friend back on the east coast worked them last evening.

GL all with K5D!

tnx es 73
Bruce

9047. RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 22:07:30 UTC
From: Brian F. Wruble
Topic: 9046 Message: 9047

The op on 20 SSB just said they haven't had internet service yet. 73 de
Brian W3BW

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Bruce Sawtelle
Sent: Saturday, February 14, 2009 5:03 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

I realize it's only been 30 hours since they started, but the web page
says they would be uploading logs twice daily. A friend back on the
east coast worked them last evening.

GL all with K5D!

tnx es 73
Bruce

Yahoo! Groups Links

9048. Re: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-14 22:43:06 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 9046 Message: 9048

I do not see any of the big guns in the K5D log. This lil pistol made 3 qso's and I am not in log, yet.

Al, W4ABW
Raleigh
**********Nothing says I love you like flowers! Find a florist near you now. (http://yellowpages.aol.com/search?query=florist&ncid=emlcntusyelp00000002)

9049. Re: [DX-IS] K5D observations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 01:00:19 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9045 Message: 9049

K5D 15M SSB - "bye the numbers" ..... I heard the SSB Op "spread them out" by "listening 21305 to 21315". Then I observed he was working eights at 21310. When he went to NINES, I called on 21310 and was the one he came back to.

From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Saturday, February 14, 2009 2:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] K5D observations

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DX IS!

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9050. Re: [DX-IS] K5D observations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 03:07:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9045 Message: 9050

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Congratulations, Mark! These guys are indeed a class act, and
they have on CW operator that seems to have the operation prowess Don
Miller reportedly had. On 40 tonight he was listening to the pileup
for 10 seconds and then pealing off 2-3 calls and reports at 30+ WPM,
repeatedly. Seemed to be hauling the calls out from memory after
just that 10 second listen. How he could keep all that straight and
log at the same time is beyond comprehension! An operator like that
comes along once every 10-20 years at most.

The pileups I've listen to have been well behaved also. Given
the rarity of KP5, especially in EU and AS, there has been very
little jamming, etc. This one, if it continues as it is, is going to
challenge the VP6DX record for the best DXpedition ever.

The way this is going, one can expect a KP1 operation soon. Who
would have thought? That's how this stuff works. BS7H was

considered impossible and it happened. These two were off the air for 15 years or so, and it looks like that has ended. Don't write off 70 or P5 either. When we least expect it, something will change and they'll come on. They always do!

73, Paul VE1DX

9051. No internet on island yet - Fwd: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 03:24:47 UTC
From: W3NJ@aol.com
Topic: 9051 Message: 9051

Just heard the op on 20M SSB say that they hadn't received their internet access yet (wireless??...satellite?????..who knows!)

So it may be awhile before they? get the data available.

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: W3NJ@...
> Date: Sat, 14 Feb 2009 22:02:50 +0000
> Subject: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?
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> I realize it's only been 30 hours since they started, but the web page
> says they would be uploading logs twice daily. A friend back on the
> east coast worked them last evening.
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> GL all with K5D!
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> tnx es 73
> Bruce
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9052. K5D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 03:42:07 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 5541 Message: 9052

Agree with Pauls remarks 110%!

Just could not compete on 40 and 20, so just kept bangging away on 30. Must have at lest 4 "maybes" But finally got a for sure late this evening. (and at only 100w, Paul no VE kw)

If I can do it with a vertical any NA shuuld be able to also.

Crack operators

#217 here

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Dale K8TS

9053. Re: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 03:43:03 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9046 Message: 9053

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if we already have K5D confirmed on a particular band/mode, so
of course you won't see any big guns in the log at all.

Yeah, right -
Derek aa5bt

9054. RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 04:02:06 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9046 Message: 9054

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I agree, of course, that the operators I have heard are top-notch but disagree about deliberate interference. There's been lots of that, unfortunately, but they're so strong here that it is not a problem. It would be outside North America.

If these guys continue as they have started, they are on their way to equalling VP6DX. Both will be remembered as superb operations, rivaling each other but sharing top spot in my unofficial record book.

73

Al, VE1AL

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-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Saturday, February 14, 2009 11:43 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

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9055. RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 12:27:45 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9046 Message: 9055

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I got them on 1 call this morning on 160, not much action at 4 am East Coast time. Only band I needed them on. I'm done. 1 Q until I hear them CQing.

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I'll never regret a biz trip interferring with radio again. :-)

Don
N1DG

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9056. RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 14:29:29 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9046 Message: 9056

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Don Greenbaum
Sent: Sunday, February 15, 2009 8:28 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

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9057. RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 14:35:49 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9046 Message: 9057

At 10:29 AM 2/15/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
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9058. Re: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 14:38:23 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 9046 Message: 9058

Yep, I heard WB9Z saying that on 20 SSB yesterday. He was trying to get a message to his XYL re: Valentines day.

BTW, I heard on of Paul's K5D QSOs. Cant remember if it was 20 CW or 30 CW...

73 Rich NN3W
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: Alan Leith ; 'Don Greenbaum'
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, February 15, 2009 9:35 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

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9059. RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 14:42:10 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9046 Message: 9059

Thanks guys!

Some European had told the world on the cluster, in capital letters no less, K5D LOGS or something to that effect. I merely went looking for results and couldn't find anything. Thought he might have known something I didn't. He knew nada. I should have known :-(.

I can wait :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

From: Paul M Dunphy [mailto:list_dx@...]
Sent: Sunday, February 15, 2009 10:36 AM
To: Alan Leith; 'Don Greenbaum'
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Anyone confirmed in K5D online logs?

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9060. K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 15:22:59 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9060 Message: 9060

I've just gone through the pain of listening to a rank amateur trying to control the initial (i.e. early in the DXpedition) pileup on 17M SSB on a Sunday morning. Unbelievable.

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That's not the point.

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9061. site

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 16:36:17 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 9061 Message: 9061

http://www.kp5.us/

for those who are still looking, this should get you there

Dale K8TS

9062. RE: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 16:43:13 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9060 Message: 9062

Agreed about last night on 40 & 80. However, they've changed to a new operator on 17 and he's 400% better than the guy who started. This guy has worked more stations in 6 minutes than the other guy did in 20. I hope he's working NA later 'cause he's only working EU right now.

It'll all come out in the wash.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: CSM(r) Gary Huber [mailto:glhuber@...]
Sent: Sunday, February 15, 2009 12:35 PM
To: Alan Leith
Cc: Don Greenbaum; Carl Smith
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Last night (after 0400 UTC) the 20M SSB op was begging for Qs.... one call w/ less than 100W on the freq he stated he was listening on and I'm in the log. But on 75 SSB it was BAD.... the OP said he had no RX antenna but was trying to work Europeans with a rate of one difficult (multiple requests for callsign of the calling stations) every two or three minutes.... seems like the band and the corresponding geographic area producing rate at the time would have been the western hemisphere but I guess its easy to second guess the operations manager. Perhaps his review of the first 48 hours will cause an improvement.... time will tell and I'm sure it'll be discussed at Dayton.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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9063. K5D 40m operations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 17:24:25 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9063 Message: 9063

Greetings dxers,
15, 17, and 30 were tough, but I had another rare 'got him on first call' experience on 20m this morning.
Now that I'm getting ready to go all out on 40 and 80, I wonder if anyone knows if there is a predictable operating pattern on 40m?

I hadn't experienced an expedition flipping back and forth between up and dn.
At times, there were just as many calling up as dn - incredible numbers each direction.
Do they sometimes work both up and dn at the same time?
Also, the 'up' side runs into a lot of strong RTTY above 7027.

They will probably be easy after a few days thins out the crowd, but I'm just curious about 'up' and 'dn' patterns.

tx, 73, and gl
frank w0ecs

9065. Re: [DX-IS] K5D 40m operations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 17:35:16 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9063 Message: 9065

Thanks Phil,
Maybe the crowds I heard on the up side were just assuming 'up'?

Also, if this were a weak dxpedition, the 40m qrm lids would really make it difficult.
K5D was so strong that he blew right through the qrmrs.

73,
frank w0ecs

Phil Snyder wrote:
> I would imagine after the WPX RTTY contest is over you might find them
> working UP on 40. There are just too many RTTY ops down around 7035 or
> so this weekend.
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> Phil
> N9LAH
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9066. Re: K5D 40m operations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 18:15:31 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9063 Message: 9066

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...> wrote:
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I wasn't listening on 40 myself but was on a chat with some who were,
and they said that K5D was working some people out of both the "UP" an
"DN" pile but was sending "UP"

73
Dan

9067. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #896

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-15 19:39:12 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9067 Message: 9067

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th/February, through Sunday, 15th/February there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B6, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7O, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FT5W, FW, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, KP5, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV9, T2, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/g, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZL9, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5C, MOROCCO (IOTA Op). Alfredo, IK7JWX, informs that he is preparing for a DXpedition (with 9 operators) to activate Mogador Island (AF-065) in April. Activity will be on all HF-VHF bands and all modes. More details should be forthcoming. UPDATE! Alfredo, advises OPDX that the DXpedition will take place between April 18-26th. Look for the following operators (with callsigns to be active: Oscar/IK2AQZ (5C2A), Carlo/IK6CAC (5C2C),

Ernesto/I2FUG (5C2F), Del/IZ7GWZ (5C2G), Alfredo/IK7JWX (5C2J), Leo/I8LWL (5C2L), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Pino/I8YGZ (5C2Z) and Nicola/I0SNY (5C2Y). QSL via their home callsign. ADDED NOTE: Some of the reference numbers to be activated during this operation are:
Mogador Island - AF-065; WW.Loc. IM51CM; ITU 37; CQ 33
Essaouira Island - WW.Loc. IM51CL
ARLHS Lighthouses (callsign/m):
MOR-019 Cape Sim-Essaouira; WW.Loc. IM51CL
MOR-036 Sidi Magdul-Essaouira; WW.Loc. IM51BJ
MOR-040 Grand Jetee-Agadir; WW.Loc. IM50EJ
Activity will be on all bands (HF-VHF) and modes (CW, SSB, RTTY PSK31). The group is looking for sponsors and donations. If you can help, please contact Alfredo, IK7JWX, via E-mail at: ik7jwx2003@...

5X, UGANDA. Nick, G3RWF, will once again be active as 5X1NH. He will be in Fort Portal in western Uganda starting March 11th for about two months. Nick informs OPDX that he bought a (U.S.) vertical for 40 and 80 meters, so he feels that he will do a bit better on those bands this time. However, he will not have a 160 meter antenna (states, "there is simply not enough room for an antenna, unless I visit my friend 5X1GS and use his antennas - which I might well do."). He also mentions, "I prefer CW but I have now worked over 20k CW QSOs, so I have it in mind to work some data (RTTY and PSK31). Will work SSB whenever signals are good enough." Nick informs that one of the problems in 5X is unreliable power (it is difficult to promise that there will be power at any particular time). He plans to buy or rent a car battery this trip because he will not have a vehicle to tap into. Since he is doing voluntary work there, look for Nick on the air mainly during the early mornings, evenings and weekends. QSL via G3RWF.

9K48, KUWAIT (Special Event). Members of the Kuwait Aamateur Radio Society will activate the special callsign 9K48NLD from their K2RA Headquarters [PLEASE NOTE: Not from IOTA AS-118 as initially planned.] between February 25-26th. Activity is to celebrate Kuwait's National Independence and Liberation Day. Look for them to be on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via 9K2RA. Visit their Web page at: http://www.KARS.org

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK EVENT NEWS (February 16-22nd). PLEASE REMEMBER - Stations that are active and signing "/ANT" may NOT be in the Antarctic!

ANTARCTIC OP & CRUSIE. By the time you read this, Mehdi/F5PFP and Jean-Pierre/ON7ZM should be getting ready for their expedition to the Antarctic peninsula. Their sailboat is expected to leave Ushuaia on Wednesday, February 18th, depending on the weather conditions. They plan to visit several Antarctic bases which include the South Shetland Islands (AN-010), Palmer Archipelago (AN-012) and the Antarctic mainland (AN-016). According to Mehdi, both Jean-Pierre and himself will mainly be active on 20 meters SSB (14315 kHz), with some activity on 40/30/17 meters. [90% on SSB, 10% on CW, 80% on 20m] They plan to have one station continuously on the air with a trapless vertical using 500 watts and another station sporadically active using a trapless vertical and 100 watts. Operating times are between 1800-2200z, earlier and later when it is possible. Callsigns mentioned are

CE9XX, FT5YJ and VP8DLM. Expedition will last through March 17th. QSL via F5PFP, by the bureau or direct: Mehdi Escoffier, Les Closures, 38440 Saint Jean de Bournay, FRANCE. You can download and see the route of the sailboat on GoogleEarth at:
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/Antarcticexpedition2009/maps.html

AU30, INDIA (Special Event). Dutta/VU2DSI and friends Suhas/VU2SMN, Manju/VU2SMS and Ronald/VU2ROE will operate with special event callsign AU30SHI between 1830z, February 21st and 1829z, February 22nd. Activity is to commemorate the birth date of the Great Emperor Cnatrapati Shivaji (1627-1680). Operations will be from Shivneri Hill Fort near Junnar in Pune District, Maharashtra, India, birth place of Shivaji. Suggested frequencies are: 7070, 14250, 14215, 21280 and 28290 kHz. QSL via VU2DSI.

C3, ANDORRA. We have been informed by several sources that "the Andorran Radioamateurs Union (URA) reminds that the local administration has not implemented the CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01. Therefore any C3/homecall activity should be regarded as illegal." An up-to-date list of licensed amateurs can be found at: http://www.ura.ad

CN, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, will be active as CN2R during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W7EJ.
See the station from CN2R at: http://www.arraysolutions.com/Users/cn2r.htm

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (Top-band Dinner). George/K8GG and George/W8UVZ report: "All 160 meter band enthusiasts are cordially invited to the Top Band Dinner on Friday evening of the 2009 Hamvention in Dayton. This annual event brings together 160 meter operators from around the world for food, drink and camaraderie. We will, again, be at the Barnsider Restaurant - same location for the past three years. Here are the particulars:
Date: Friday, May 15, 2009
Time: Social Hour 6:30 PM (Cash bar)
Dinner: 7:30 PM
QTH: The Barnsider Restaurant (Near Hamvention Arena),
5202 N Main Street, Dayton, Ohio -- (937) 277-1332
Located on Route 48 just north of Needmore Ave
Fare: Salad, roll and butter, dinner entree, dessert & beverage
Choose from Chicken, Fish, Pork or Beef entries - selected from restaurant server. This is a plated dinner - not buffet.
Cost: 29 USDs, mailed in advance. Includes complete dinner, taxes and gratuity. Price has been the same for last 4 years. Please note that all reservations need to be paid in advance, both USA and overseas.
Program: We'll have a presentation by one of the K5D - Desecheo Island Ops on their low-band operation.
Reserve: Now via email, snail mail and pay cost in advance (due before 4-25) to: George Guerin, K8GG, 14322 A Drive North, CERESCO, MI 49033 -- Email: k8gg@... or gmguerin@...
We are looking forward to another great gathering of Top Band enthusiasts."

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
TT8JT - Chad; 2008 Operation

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Tim, NL8F/VK4COF, will be active for 14 days from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) sometime between March 21st and April 4th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters SSB and possibly 17 meters. QSL Manager for this operation is K8NA.

EG3, SPAIN (Special Event). Special event station EG3LB was on the air this past weekend to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Louis Braille, inventor of the Braille system for blind. This station will also be in the air February 20-22nd and February 27th-March 1st. Activity will mainly be on CW and the Digital modes (RTTY/PSK). The bands may vary; operations over the past weekend were on 40 and 20 meters. A special QSL will be issued commemorating the event. QSL via EA3RKR, by the Bureau or direct (QRZ.com). SWLs can also send for QSL but should send a report for listening to a complete data QSO. More information is available on the Web at: http://www.gratisweb.com/ea3rkr

FG, GUADELOUPE. Pat, F4EBT, will be active as FG/F4EBT from the area of Sainte Rose on north Basse-Terre Island (NA-102) in the Guadeloupe Island group between March 21st and April 11th. Activity will a "holiday style operation", SSB only on 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using a TS-50 w/100 watts into a FD4 Multiband antenna.

FR, REUNION ISLAND (Update/Change). Cedric, F4EGZ, will be active as FR/F4EGZ during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. He informs OPDX that he will be there for 3 weeks but will only be on the air for the contest. During the contest, he states he will be active only on 20 meters band with a moxon antenna using 500W. However, he also states that at the beginning (of the contest) he will be active on 40 meters but does not think there will be a large open window to Europe and USA.

GB6, ENGLAND (Special Event). Martin, G3VOF, informs that he and six other operators will be putting GB6GEO on the air again this year during the European Geo Parks Communication Event which takes place on Saturday, May 23rd and Sunday, May 24th. Activity will be from Cavern in Torquay, right in the heart of the English Riviera Global Geopark. This callsign (along with many others) will be going on the air bringing awareness to the beautiful "Geo Parks" in the UK and around different parts of the world. Suggested frequencies are: 3680, 7080, 14180, 21180 and 28180 kHz. If you live in France, Spain, Italy, Austria, Romania, Czech Rep, Norway, Brazil, or China and are interested in participating in this event plus can obtain the special "GEO" suffix, please contact Martin as soon as possible via E-mail at: martin@...
For more details, see GB6GEO at: http://www.qrz.com/callsign/GB6GEO

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-056. This one was received late for this week's bulletin, but worth mentioning. Activity this past weekend by Joe, JA4PXE, as JA6PXE/6 was from Danjo-Archipelago a rare IOTA. This is

a very narrow sheer rock or steep rocky island located 130
miles west of Kyushu Island in the South China Sea. Joe was
only on 40 meters CW using an IC-703 running 10 watts into
a Inverted V antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or
by the Bureau.

EU-008. Operators Doug/GM0ELP and Simon/M0GBK will be active as MM3T
from the Isle of Skye (IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WW Loc. IO67QN),
Inner Hebrides), during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th)
as a Multi-Op/All-Bands/Low-Power/Mixed/Assisted/Expedition/
24-hours. QSL only via eQSL. Visit their Web site at:
http://freespace.virgin.net/douglas.maxwell/MM3T/mm3t.htm

OC-164. John, VK6HZ, will once again be visiting Rottnest Island this
year. Dates of operation will be March 3-9th. Operation will
be holiday style (he states "in between beer, swimming and,
of course, quality time with my family!) Equipment will be
IC-7000 running 100w into a Buddipole, running all modes.
QSL via VK6NE. Online log will be available after the trip
at: http://www.vk6hz.com
All logs will be uploaded on LoTW.

KH6, HAWAII. Bill, AC0W, will be operating KH6/AC0W during the ARRL
International DX Phone Contest (March 7-8th) from OC-019. Activity will
be on 80-10 meters. There is a possibility of some operations a few days
before and after the contest, as time allows. QSL LoTW and AC0W.

KP5, DESECHEO ISLAND DXPEDITION (News/Update).....
* The K5D DXpedition to Desecho Island is now on the air until February
26th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using 6-8 stations on CW, SSB
and RTTY. QSL via N2OO.

* UPDATE February 14, 2009 (2330z): "Because of higher-than-expected winds
which delayed helicopter trips, we were unable to complete our full
setup on Thursday. At this writing, those problems are behind us and
the camp and all antennas are in place and working.
The QSO count is just under 10,000 in the first 24 hours with only
two stations operable for most of that time. We now have five stations
on the air hoping for two or three more tomorrow. We have no internet
connectivity as our satellite link and our 900 MHz terrestrial link both
failed. We have a plan that should get them both working in a day or
two. In the meantime, no logs have been uploaded and, of course, no
photos. When the links are working you'll learn about it here.
The Team is in high spirits and the weather is good now, nice breeze,
calm seas but hotter than expected.
Last night we were forced to move our 40M operation away from our
planned frequency. This was because of the RTTY contest which wiped
out most of the band for us below 7.1MHz. The contest ends tomorrow
and we expect much better 40M performance especially to Europe.
We're sensitive to the fact that some EU countries/amateurs cannot
transmit above 7.1MHz; this problem will self-resolve when the RTTY

contest ends late tomorrow." (KP5 Web page)

* ACTIVITY ON THE BIRDS. Thanks to the support of AMSAT-NA, the team is equipped with a Kenwood D7 HT and Arrow antenna, as well as training on using the FM satellites. Satellite operation is not expected to begin until the second half of the DXpedition, and then only on an as available basis. A second repeater on AO-51 (145.88/435.150) will be activated on February 16th and reserved -only- for contacts with K5D while within sight of the island. K5D may be active on either AO-51 repeater, SO-50 or the ISS voice repeater modes if available. Users attempting contact with K5D should be aware the the DXpedition does not wish to exchange grid squares during the QSO in order to allow more operators the chance for a QSO. Their grid square is FK68, same as most of Puerto Rico. Please be courteous and limit yourself to one QSO.

* ONE LESS OPERATOR. OPDX was informed that Brad Farrell, K4RT, did not make the trip due to a family illness.

* Remember, for updates visit the KP5 Web page at: http://www.kp5.us

MAJOR PACIFIC DXPEDITIONS (Not One, But Two!). Well-known DXpeditioners Hrane/YT1AD (Team Leader) and David/K3LP (Co-Team Leader) are in the process of organizing two (2) upcoming South Pacific DX-Peditions:
1 - Tokelau Island (ZK3) and Central Kiribati (T31, Ex-Canton Island), planned for April 2010 or end of September 2010
2 - Conway Reef (3D2C) planned for the end of September 2011

On the most wanted list, Tokelau Island (ZK3) ranks #47, Central Kiribati (T31) ranks #27 and Conway Reef (3D2C) ranks #22.

Hrane/YT1AD and Miki/YU1DW will travel between April 20th and May 7th (2009), in the South Pacific islands to organize these DXpeditions.

Hrane and Miki will be active from the following islands. The schedule will be as follows:
April 22nd - Samoa; callsigns 5W8A (YT1AD) and 5W0DW (YU1DW)
April 22-24th - American Samoa; callsign KH8/N9YU (YT1AD)
April 25th-May 4th - Fiji; 3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW)
April 27-29th - Western Kirbati; callsigns T30M (YT1AD) and T30DW (YU1DW) on Tarawa Island

More information will be forthcoming soon in March 2009 on the following Web page at: http://www.yt1ad.info/t31

OA, PERU. Operators Daniel/DL5YWM and Rene/DL2JRM will be staying in Lima between April 7th and the beginning of May. In their spare time they will operate as OA4/homecall mainly on CW with the focus on the lower bands. During this stay, they will make a small detour to Costa Rica to participate in the German DXpedition to San Jose Island (NA-191, in the Guanacaste Province), between April 17-20th. See OPDX.895 or visit the Web page: http://www.ti7.info

Any activity from Peruvian IOTAs will be decided "last minute".

P4, ARUBA (SA-036). Andy, AE6Y, will be active as P49Y during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via AE6Y.

PACIFIC TOUR. Operators Minekazu/JA2NQG (SSB) and Yuji/JH2BNL (CW/RTTY) will be active from the Western Pacific during March from the following islands and IOTAs. Their schedule and callsigns are as follows:
March 4-6th - Chuuk Island (OC-011); Micronesia; V63AR and V63WW
March 6-9th - Pohnpei Island (OC-010); Micronesia; V63AR and V63WW
March 9-11th - Kosrae Island (OC-059); Micronesia; V63AR and V63WW
*Also, callsigns V63C, V63P and V63K will be active during these dates.
March 11-14th - Majuro Island (OC-079); V73J and V73M
March 14-16th - Palau Island (OC-009); T88CD and T88WW
March 17-19th - Guam (OC-026); NH0AA and AH0F/KH2

QSL V63AR, V73J, T88CD and NH0AA via JH2BNL.
QSL V63WW, V73M, T88WW and AH0F/KH2 via JA2NQG.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL ROUTES by Johannes, DK8JB:
7N4OGU via 7J1ADS AO3RKR via EA3RKR
9W2KGV direct DF2UT via 7J1ADS

4L1DA QSL STATUS. Joe, W7LPF, QSL Manager for 4L1DA, informs that almost 6 pounds of QSL cards were sent this past week to the Bureau for David/4L1DA. He states, "I am sorry for the delay, but the health had a 'blip' [wrong medicine given to me after hernia operation - that almost took out my liver!!]. I am getting back to normal [?] - and should have the backlog caught up by the end of the month. Please - if you are waiting for a card from 4L1DA - send me an E-mail and I will advise if it is 'in the mail to buro' - no need for more dupes. Again, my apologies to all." Joe's E-mail address is: ottuser@...

Buzz, NI5DX, is pleased to announce that he is now the QSL Manager for John Lee, 9M6JC. John has sent Buzz his log file, and Buzz will be able to answer all requests for cards from contacts made with 9M6JC. There will be a delay in sending out cards until 9M6JC sends some blank cards to NI5DX. New cards will be ordered shortly and will take about 5 weeks to arrive after the order goes to the printer.

9V1YC QSL STATUS. Floyd, N5FG, reports that the QSL Mnager Joe, N5ID, has been in the hospital since November 4th of last year. So, Joe has asked Floyd to spread the word that he is getting better and hopes to be home in the next couple of weeks. He asks patience on getting a 9V1YC QSL from him until he is back on his feet.

LOG & VIDEO ONLINE. A video for last Sunday's CS6A operation from Rosario Island (DIP AL-19) is now online at: http://algarvestar.no.sapo.pt Log for this activity and many other CTs and CUs (portable, lighthouses, etc...) operations are online at: http://logonline.no.sapo.pt

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5K0CW, C6APG, CT1ILT, CU2JT, J88XF, JA8BNP, KL5DX, KL7J, LY9Y, ON6AB, R1FJT, RU0AW, TF3SG, VK9DWX, VP8CMH/MM and ZC4VJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3A2MD, 4W6R, 4Z5J, 6V7D, 7W0AD, 7Z1SJ, BD7MVZ, BG7MVZ, C21XF, C57R, C6AXD, CW2C, EK3SA, ER4ER, FJ/G3TXF, FM1HN, HH4/AF4Z, HI3TEJ, HI8ROX, HI0C, HQ8R, HQ9R, JT1Y, JX9JKA, KG4SS, KL7J, ON4IQ, OZ1AA, P40W, R1FJT, T88CJ, TF3CW, VK9DWX, VU4MY and ZP0R

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

S0, WESTERN SAHARA. An international team of operators (known as the Tifariti Gang) composed of Juan/EA1CJ, Agustin/EA1KY, Roberto/EA2RY, Gerard/EA3EXV, Antonio/EA5RM, Manuel/EA7AJR, Bernard/F9IE, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR, Valery/UT7CR and Dimitri/UY7CW will be on the air from Western Sahara from April 12-17th using the callsign S04R. Activity will be on all bands from 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via EA5RM. Ruben, EA5BZ, will be the pilot station. Look for additional information to become available on the S04R Web site at: http://www.dxfriends.com

TP60, FRANCE. To celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe, there will be four TP60CE operations planned during 2009. The first operation will take place for three days between February 27th and March 1st. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr

TU, COTE D'LVOIRE. Paolo, F8ENY, will be active as TU/F8ENY from San Pedro between February 16th and March 2nd. Activity will mainly be on 20 meters.

V4, ST.KITTS AND NEVIS. Mark, K0EJ, will be active as V49A during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Look for activity outside of the contest (signing V44/K0EJ). QSL via V44NK.

VISALIA DX CONVENTION (IOTA Dinner). The 14th Annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held on Friday, April 17th, in the Plaza Room of the Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center, 9000 W. Airport Drive, Visalia, CA 93277, in conjunction with the 60th annual Visalia International DX Convention. The Convention Web site is:
http://dxconvention.org/
This dinner is open to all who are interested or active in the IOTA program, or would like enjoy a meal and see what some real Island expeditions look like. The program agenda is as follows:
1730-1830 Doors open, socializing and eyeball discussions
(Drinks available on order)
1830 Dinner served, buffet style -- Welcoming/Introductions
1845 IOTA Programs begin
G3ZAY - ZD8UW, and the RSGB IOTA Program Overview
K9AJ - Rockall, EU189 and KD6WW, NA-229
AD6E, K6MYC and W5GAI - P29NI, OC-041 & 0C-181
N3QQ, EX UL7BEF & UA9OPA - KL7DX, NA234 (New)
2200 Closing
The dinner will be served buffet style in the Birch Room at a cost of

31 USDs per person, payable at the door, cash only, (service charge and tax included). The buffet menu will contain entree choice of beef and chicken along with salad, vegetables, dinner rolls, dessert, and a beverage (coffee, ice water, or ice tea). A vegetarian meal is available with two weeks notice. Wine and liquor can be purchased separately.
Reservations are not required but we'd like to know if you are attending. There is buffet service for 60 persons. Admission is free for those wishing only to watch the programs without dinner. As usual, seating will be "first come, first seated".
The Holiday Inn is sold out of rooms. If you are attending from overseas, contact the Conference committee, they often have rooms reserved for DX attendees. For additional information regarding this event, please contact:
Ray Benny, N6VR, IOTA Dinner Coordinator,
home phone - 805 649-9696 or rbenny@...
-- or --
Will Costello, WC6DX, home phone: 831 375-8133 or wc6dx@...

VK9NS (SK) TRIBUTE. The Documentary Archive Radio Communication (DARC) Web page now provides on its site "A Tribute to Jim B. Smith, VK9NS" at: http://www.dokufunk.org/vk9ns
On the page there is a great collection of QSL cards from many of the DXCC entities he activated.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Update). Haru, JA1XGI/W8XGI, informs OPDX that his callsign will be JA1XGI/VK9 instead of VK9XGI as first announced. Activity will take place between April 4-11th, on all bands including the lower bands using CW and the digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, by the bureau or direct.

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Doug, KF4VTT, will be active as VP9/KF4VTT from June 11-17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via his home callsign, by the LoTW, Bureau or direct.

Z30, MACEDONIA. Members of the Macedonian Telegraphic Group (MCWG) will be active with the special callsign Z30MCWG between February 20th and December 31st. The activity will be mostly on CW on all HF bands. QSL via Z35M (Secretary of the MCWG) to the address: Vladimir Kovaceski, Sava Kovacevic 47 g / 55, Skopje 1000, Republic of Macedonia.

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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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9068. Re: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 02:04:33 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 9060 Message: 9068

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9069. K5D Conditions right now

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 02:54:35 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9069 Message: 9069

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9070. Re: [DX-IS] K5D Conditions right now

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 03:07:23 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9069 Message: 9070

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 03:29:03 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9069 Message: 9071

He just went QRT not 5 min after I sent this message into the group, he said things were too slow, so he was going to secure the
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9072. RE: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 03:58:57 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9060 Message: 9072

That's not the guy I heard, Tom. By 1630Z 17M was gone from here, just like it is every day.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Tom Anderson
Sent: Sunday, February 15, 2009 10:05 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

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9073. Re: [DX-IS] K5D Conditions right now

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 04:59:52 UTC
From: ZL2AAA
Topic: 9069 Message: 9073

There is a blockage in the pipe to down under .Morrie

----- Original Message -----
From: AD5VJ Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, February 16, 2009 4:29 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] K5D Conditions right now

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.0.237 / Virus Database: 270.10.24/1954 - Release Date: 02/15/09 18:09:00

9074. New problem in CW pile up

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 14:00:52 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9074 Message: 9074

Saturday morning (UTC) the K5D 20m CW OP seemed to be having problems with my call and kept asking me to repeat. Sunday I see a K5D spot by a "new" DXer, AB9ML . I figure its going to be interesting for both parties. There is a local, AB9MP, whose QSLs I sometimes receive. Now I wonder who is going to get the NIL and who is going to get the K5D QSLs.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

9075. Re: K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-16 15:06:30 UTC
From: Roland Guidry
Topic: 9060 Message: 9075

Tom, I am NA5Q and I am sitting in my nice cozy home in Louisiana. So you have the wrong operator. BTW, I have worked Desecheo on all bands but 10m and 6m. So I am staying low so others may work him for the first time.

Roland NA5Q

Posted by: "Tom Anderson" <mailto:andersonww5l@...?Subject=Re%3A%20K5D%20-%2017M%20SSB> andersonww5l@... <http://profiles.yahoo.com/ww5lwy5h2007> ww5lwy5h2007

Sun Feb 15, 2009 6:04 pm (PST)

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9076. T27A QRV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-17 10:27:09 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9076 Message: 9076

Bob, W7YAQ is spittin' dits and dahs this AM on 40M CW from T2. Sure is fun to hear good CW ops do their thing!

Art - N4PJ

9077. QRL vs. QRL?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-17 11:24:32 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9077 Message: 9077

What is so cotton-pickin' difficult to understand about "Q" signals and the difference between adding the "?" and not adding it?

This morning, T27A was on 7012, working split, both into the US and Japan. Some twit came up on frequency with the ubiquitous tune up. Someone sent QRL - twice. Then, some other twit responds "YES."

Why doesn't the average CW op seem to understand that QRL means "Hey, dude, this frequency is busy, go somewhere else!" while QRL? means "I want to camp here, is anyone on this frequency that maybe I'm not hearing?"

Sometimes I think the exams should include more questions about operating. In the oldie-goldie days, there were a few countries that actually required potential hams to be SWLers and prove some skills before being issued a license.

One would think common sense might be sufficient, but no one apparently issues (or tests!) that any more! LOL

Hark back to those first days when you (and I) first started. Where did you learn about pileups and split operating? I just wish there was an easy way to teach some of these skills - to both old and new!

The theme two years ago at Visalia was to "mentor" new DXers. How do we find them in the first place???

Art - N4PJ

9078. Online Logs for K5D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-17 11:31:03 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9078 Message: 9078

Good news, bad news!

Logs are available at logsearch.de - but there have been so many hits that many are being locked out. The web manager has removed the search capability for all calls *except* K5D in hopes the hits wouldn't overwhelm the system.

Unless or until their internet access is improved, a lot of people are going to have to learn to be more patient.

From the appearances of spots all over the dial, it looks like K5D has everything running now. I see spots for SSB and CW on the same bands.

Art - N4PJ

9079. Re: [DX-IS] Online Logs for K5D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-17 12:45:41 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 9078 Message: 9079

I looked at some big and lil guns call signs. Seems they are all represented pretty well in the K5D on-line log.

Al
W4ABW
**********Need a job? Find an employment agency near you.
(http://yellowpages.aol.com/search?query=employment_agencies&ncid=emlcntusyelp00000003)

9080. RE: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-18 04:07:53 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 9060 Message: 9080

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9081. Re: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-18 04:25:39 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9060 Message: 9081

If you want expeditions in the future you have to train operators on current expeditions. Most of the operators have done fairly well and on the next expedition they'll be better. Anyone who has NOT been on a DXpedition to a remote site has no idea what condx are like. No one should criticize until they have been on the other end and done it better.

Just because you can hear them is no reason to believe they can hear you.

73 John K1ER
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9082. Re: [DX-IS] Online Logs for K5D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-18 09:59:43 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9078 Message: 9082

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Amazing! I worked 'em on 3 bands yesterday and my Q's are there this morning. C'mon 6 Meters; wake up!!;

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place where the big chunks float to the top"
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9083. RE: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-18 17:25:15 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 9060 Message: 9083

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Date: 2009-02-18 18:47:20 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9060 Message: 9084

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40 meters has been a nightmare so far. Pileups are still huge. I haven't worked them there. But I keep trying. Last night the op, whoever he was, sent the signal reports as "599" instead of "5NN." Also when he started he'd send "(Call) 599 (Call)" - repeating the call of the station he worked twice. Not sure who he was. He was still a great op. I just couldn't tell where he was listening because I couldn't hear ANY of the stations he worked.

Larry NF6S told me after the last KP1 DXpedition that the noise was extreme on the low bands during their operation and it was very difficult to make QSO's on 80 and 160. So noise can be a big problem on these islands.
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> > Subject: RE: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> > Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2009, 10:07 PM
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> > From: "Alan Leith" aleith@... <aleith%40syd.eastlink.ca>
> > alanleith
> > Sent: Sunday, February 15, 2009 7:23 AM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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9085. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #896.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-18 22:25:30 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9085 Message: 9085

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For immediate release:

February 18, 2009

JOIN A DIFFERENT KIND OF AMATEUR RADIO COMPETITION

There is no doubt that our time-honored hobby is going through turbulent times with the intake of new hams decreasing in many countries. The overall Amateur Radio population has diminished dramatically.

As an independent body, the group at Radio Arcala, OH8X is poised to try some new methods to attract young people congregating in many non-traditional hangouts such as Virtual World on the internet. The Arcala radio station is the first-ever amateur radio station to be active in Virtual Reality. Millions of computer-minded youngsters gather there daily in an easy-going leisure mood.

The overall Radio Arcala strategy is spelled out on the OH8X Webpages but one of the key buttons - ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S TERMS - is still to be drafted.

See http://www.radioarcala.com

We now challenge members of our fraternity of all ages to draft the text for this button in a way that is both appealing and informative enough to encourage today's youth to take the step we once took.

CONTEST OUTLINE

Consider yourself as another 18-year old enthusiastic ham of today. Challenge yourself to talk to a bunch of young people ranging from 15-20 years of age in a large room with the occasion devoted only to yourself. Your mission is to tell them about the excitement of being an amateur radio operator today and why those in the audience should join our ranks.

Draft your paper/talk to be no more than 250 words in length in English or Spanish.

Remember a few things:

1: These people have many other tempting options to occupy their youthful and modern mind and time.

2: They can take only a certain amount of history at once. Be balanced.

3: Consider that one of the current obstacles is the license exam; it is an entry barrier not found with many other hobbies. Address that issue, too.

4: Remember that electronics has become a highly complex science and that experimentation may not exist as an option the way it did before.

5: Find the most positive and truly unique features that Amateur Radio has. Highlight the positive and truly unique features of Amateur Radio.

6: And finally, take this not only as a fun game but consider that, indeed, the future of this hobby is in the hands of people like you.

Deadline:

Please submit your paper by email no later than March 15, 2009 to oh8x@... (English) or yv5amh@... (Spanish).

More than one text can participate and more than one submission can be selected, if seen practical.

The body to review the not-to-be-disclosed papers with their national focus group is composed of the following individuals: Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, IARU Region 1, (Chairman); Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AMH, IARU Region 2; Dave Sumner, K1ZZ (ARRL); Olaf Lundberg, G0CKV (for RSGB); Tonno Vahl, ES5TV, (ERAU); Hans Johansson, SM0IMJ (SSA) and Juha Hulkko, OH8NC and Martti Laine, OH2BH (Radio Arcala).

Prizes:

In addition to the award of first, second and third prizes in the form of three (3) amateur radio contest-like plaques, the winning text will be made available to a large group of people in Virtual Reality. You will be invited to be part of a Radio Arcala working group drawing up a next-generation recruitment campaign. Your work will be featured in national magazines by the above jury plus on the DX Summit and the Radio Arcala Website. You will be pleased with your achievement. Be aware that the review committee can for editorial reasons make style changes to the text before publication.

Note for editors:

By sending a note to Radio Arcala at oh8x@...
you can obtain high-resolution pictures taken from the virtual space at the first amateur radio station there - OH8X. Please note that the pictures are high-resolution, 6.5MB each, and assume an address that can receive such files.

(((73)))

Jarmo OH2BN

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9086. RE: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-18 22:34:12 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9060 Message: 9086

This is a response to W3WN where his call suggests he is and to K1ER whose call doesn't.

If your reference, John, to "Anyone who has NOT been on a DXpedition to a remote site has no idea what condx are like. No one should criticize until they have been on the other end and done it better." is a reference to me, John, you're very, very wrong. And, you don't have to train operators on DXpeditions. That's absolutely and patently ridiculous. You train them in contest operating conditions.

I have been on two major DXpeditions and have been DXing for a very long time. I know what I'm talking about and I stand by what I said.

On the first weekend of a major expedition, second string rookies should not be trained to handle pile-ups. PERIOD.

I agree that training is necessary but it should be done in times when the expectations of the masses are not ignored.

You are absolutely correct that a station like the one I operate should not expect to be heard through stations running power and reasonable antennas for the band in question. I didn't. Not everyone can run the type of monster station that you run and be recognized by a cough or a dit. But that has absolutely no bearing on my comment.

As for the other operators I have heard on the K5D operation, ALL have been FB, except for the one rookie who shouldn't have been assigned to his shift.

To Ron: good luck on your "DXpedition." As a rookie DXpeditioner, take heart: your pileups will be a breeze compared to K5D.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2009 12:26 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K5D - 17M SSB

If you want expeditions in the future you have to train operators on current expeditions. Most of the operators have done fairly well and on the next expedition they'll be better. Anyone who has NOT been on a DXpedition to a remote site has no idea what condx are like. No one should

criticize until they have been on the other end and done it better.

Just because you can hear them is no reason to believe they can hear you.

73 John K1ER

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9087. 5BWAZ Application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 01:32:26 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9087 Message: 9087

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e-Mail to CQ so far has gone unanswered.

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

9088. Re: [DX-IS] 5BWAZ Application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 01:40:18 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9087 Message: 9088

At 09:32 PM 2/18/2009, you wrote:
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in Ham radio. 5BWAZ is 1000 times more difficult than 5BDXCC. I
realise you still have 5 zones to go to get them all, but it is now
well within your grasp.

The last and only time I applied for a WAZ award (mixed) was
just the 40 zones on any band, and that went to K1MEM. However, that
was many years ago and Jim is no longer with us. I don't know who
looks after that now.

73, Paul VE1DX

9089. RE: [DX-IS] 5BWAZ Application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 02:07:47 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9087 Message: 9089

I have fond memories of Jim, he gave me a picture of Desecheo when he went

there. On the back was a handwritten confirmation for my 160 Mtr Q. I used

that one for my DXCC submittal.

He sometimes would look over my QSL collection, to verify that a card he got

was legit. I did have a couple he didn't have, but not many !!

Thank you for those kind words,

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: list_dx@...
> Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 21:40:18 -0400
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9090. Propagation software/knowledge about Polar openings

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 04:45:43 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9090 Message: 9090

Hi Guys,

I am looking for some information on propagation that will help me determine when the South and/or North Pole would be open to support radio wave propagation.

I use W6EL and it's usually pretty good/reliable, I have also used VOAProp, HFprop . But none of them will tell me when the poles will open.

Is there any software or even a web page that provides information that will tell me? (perhaps this is asking too much).

For example; K5D is workable one day but then we hardly hear them the next...same solar flux, same SSNs.

Managed to finally get K5D on 40m CW, was jumping for joy here, new one on CW, just need them on RTTY now.

73, Lance - VK6DU

9091. Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 13:18:31 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 5610 Message: 9091

Periodically I see comments posted on the various reflectors and/or clusters critical of the operation at Desecheo, and have seen it during previous operations.

Before you demonstrate how bad your infection with oral diarrhea and mental constipation is, please go to the Desecheo page and look at the pictures showing what it is taking to pull this operation off. Before a single QSO is ever made those guys have worked their fannys off just getting there and getting set up. Keep in mind that this operation is only 14 miles from Puerto Rico. I don't even want to think about what the 3Y0 folks went through. Now, think about the fact that these operators are only half done with the transportation and set-up/take-down effort. Also remember that all of this is being done under the watchful eye of some government weenie, and that if in the end ONE gum wrapper is accidentally left on the island, KP1 won't happen.

Finally, as you look at the pictures, consider how much planning and up front money was required to pull this off, _then_:

kwitcherbitchin!

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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9092. Re: [DX-IS] 5BWAZ Application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 15:48:18 UTC
From: wc6dx@aol.com
Topic: 9087 Message: 9092

Dick,

?I would send your query direct to Floyd N5FG, the CQ WAZ mgr.? He processed three of my single-band WAZ applications, the latest just 13 months ago.

Like you, I'm also working on 5B-WAZ, and getting single-band WAZ's help?me to stay on track.

?Per QRZ.com, his e-mail is N5FG@....

73 de Will WC6DX

-----Original Message-----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...>
To: DX List - New <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 5:32 pm
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9093. Re: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 18:25:00 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 5610 Message: 9093

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To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2009 8:18 AM
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9094. Fw: K5D Descheceo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 19:02:50 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9094 Message: 9094

Zack, here in NH the 40 meter pile was a constant S9+20 [++] more than 8 KHz wide in the afternoon to early evening until the band went out.. An absolute MESS!!

I got up early in the next morning [1030Z] and worked them on second call on 40 meters. They had a not too bad pileup. The operator was working his/her way up the pile from 7025 towards 7027 KHz. So, I camped on 7027.1 KHz and listened for their 7027 TU 599 response. Immediately after their K5D UP I waited about 4 or 5 seconds and sent my call twice. In the log!!

I assume there were/are many new DXers who simply call in the pile and hope to be heard. I found years ago to observe the DX operator for his/her method. Then work to that method.

DD

9095. Re: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 20:40:06 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 5610 Message: 9095

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Amen Dave:
They are doing a great job. I already have KP5 confirmed on 160 & 40, so only needed the others. So far I have worked K5D on 80, 30, 20, 15, & 17, all CW, and ran the amp only on 80. I hope 10 & 6 wake up before they leave. I have been trying to work them on 20 RTTY, but my skills on RTTY aren't so great, and I have trouble figuring out where they are listening and what their habits are.

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9096. Re: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 21:03:08 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 5610 Message: 9096

They have great ears and superb skills.

A friend in the UK was surprised to hear them on 7195,
"listening for Europe above 7200", though!

They probably had callers there, too :-)

Derek
aa5bt

9097. ARLD007 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-19 22:42:34 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 9097 Message: 9097

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ARLD007 DX news

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Newington CT February 19, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD007 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SENEGAL, 6W. Patrick, ON4HIL and Guido, ON4BAG will be QRV as 6V7P and 6V7O, respectively, from February 22 to 28. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home calls.

BAHAMAS, C6. Bob, N4BP and Kevin, K4PG are QRV as C6AKQ and C6APG, respectively, from Little Bahama Bank Group, IOTA NA-080, until February 22. Activity is on the HF bands. This includes entries in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL direct to home calls.

CUBA, CO. Look for CO8TW to be QRV as a Low Power/Single Band entry on 160 meters during the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via HB9SVT. CO8LY will be a Low Power/Single Band entry on 80 meters during the contest. QSL via EA7ADH. And, CM8CAD will be a Low Power/Single Band entry on 15 meters in the contest. QSL to home call.

ITALY, I. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi's Nobel Prize in Physics, special event station IY1GM is QRV until March 31. QSL via IK1UGX.

GRENADA, J3. Bill, K4LTA and Ruby, K4UPS are QRV as J37BO and J37RO, respectively, until March 4. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters, and possibly 6 meters. They will be active as J38A in the ARRL DX CW contest. In addition, look for AK4Z, KT4E and KE4TG to be QRV as J3/homecalls. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home calls.

US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. K3CT is QRV as KP2/K3CT until February 25. He will be active as KP2M in the ARRL DX CW contest. Outside the

contest, he is active generally on the newer bands. QSL KP2M via AI4U and KP2/K3CT to home call.

PUERTO RICO, KP4. Jim, N6TJ will be QRV as NP3U in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL via WP4U.

ARUBA, P4. Andy, AE6Y plans to be QRV as P49Y from Sabana Basora, IOTA SA-036, in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL to home call.

BONAIRE, CURACAO, PJ2. A group of operators will be QRV as PJ2T from Signal Point Station on Curacao, IOTA SA-006, during the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via N9AG.

CRETE, SV9. Willi, DJ7RJ will be QRV as SV9/DJ7RJ beginning February 24 and be here for three weeks. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

TUVALU, T2. Bob, W7YAQ and Bill, N7OU are QRV as T27A and T27OU, respectively. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using mostly CW with some RTTY. They will be QRV as T27A as Multi/Single entry in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL to home calls.

TURKEY, TA. Rene, DL2JRM will be QRV as TA0/DL2JRM/p from Kekova Island, IOTA AS-115, from February 23 to 25. QSL to home call.

COTE d'IVOIRE, TU. Paolo, F8ENY is QRV as TU/F8ENY from San Pedro until March 2. Activity is mainly on 20 meters. QSL to home call.

UKRAINE, UR. Ukrainian club station UB5KFF is QRV as EM50KFF until March 1 in celebration of its 50 years. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via OS0KW.

ST. KITTS AND NEVIS, V4. Mark, K0EJ will be QRV as V49A in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside the contest, he is active as V44/K0EJ. QSL via V44NK.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLAND, VP2V. Rick, K6VVA is QRV as VP2V/K6VVA until February 24. He will also be active as VP2VVA in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL both calls via N6AWD.

INDIA, VU. Operators VU2DSI, VU2ROE, VU2SMN and VU2SMS will be QRV as AU30SHI on February 21 and 22. Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL via VU2DSI.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. John, K6AM is QRV as ZF2AM until March 1. This includes an entry in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single Op/High Power entry. He will also be active in the upcoming CQ 160-Meter SSB contest. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL International DX CW Contest, NCCC Sprint, REF SSB Contest, Feld Hell Sprint and the High Speed Club CW Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend.

Please see February QST, page 82 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
NNNN
/EX

9098. Re: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-20 15:53:10 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 5610 Message: 9098

I finally got them on 40 last night. I think the pileups are getting thinner.

All my QSO's have been with the barefoot TS-850. No amp at all, including on 80m. If you're a little pistol, I think it's often a matter of luck if you end up on a frequency that is free of QRM and if they happen to tune to that frequency.
I don't know what their plans are but I'll bet they concentrate on SSB and 6 meters during the ARRL DX contest.

73, Zack W9SZ

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> > I think they [K5D] have a superb operation.
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> > I have listened for their operating procedures and have them in the
> > log on 5 bands [80, 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters] all CW. My total
> > operating time over the three days was less than 2 hours.
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> > They have great ears and superb skills.
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> > DD
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> Amen Dave:
> They are doing a great job. I already have KP5 confirmed on 160 & 40, so
> only needed the others. So far I have worked K5D on 80, 30, 20, 15, &
> 17, all CW, and ran the amp only on 80. I hope 10 & 6 wake up before
> they leave. I have been trying to work them on 20 RTTY, but my skills on
> RTTY aren't so great, and I have trouble figuring out where they are
> listening and what their habits are.
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> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
> *age & treachery will overcome youth & skill*
> *"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
> where the big chunks float to the top"*
> http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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6W - Patrick, ON4HIL and Guido, ON4BAG will be active as 6V7P and 6V7O from Senegal on 22-28 February. They plan to operate SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
7Q - Allan, G0IAS will be active as 7Q7AH from the shack of Harry, 7Q7HB on the southern shore of Lake Malawi starting on 23 February for one month. Being aware that Malawi is needed on Top Band, they will try to erect an antenna for 160 metres. QSL via G0IAS, direct only. [TNX G0IAS]
9A - A team of seven members of IOCA Group (Franjo/9A2MF, Daki/9A2WJ, Boki/9A3KB, Dado/9A3TA, Emir/9A6AA, Sven/DF9MV and Matt/DL5MFL) will be active as 9A0CI from Vela Palagruza Island (EU-090, CI-084) and lighthouse (LH-0057, CRO-012) on 8-16 May. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 10-80 metres. QSL via DE0MST, direct or bureau. They also plan to operate SSB as 9A/homecall and homecall/p from Mala Palagruza Island (EU-090, CI-461) and from the islet of Kamik Od Tramuntane (CI-960, new one for the IOCA programme). QSL via home calls. Further information will be available on http://www.inet.hr/9a6aa/iocaplan.htm [TNX 9A6AA]
9K - Celebrating Kuwait's National Liberation Day, special event station 9K48NLD will be active on 20 and 40 metres SSB and CW on 25-26 February from the KARS headquarters. QSL via 9K2RA. [TNX NG3K]
AP - AP2ASHF (the suffix stands for Axel Helmut Scholz, Foreigner) is the callsign issued to Axel, DL7UPN. He expects to visit Pakistan "several times" before June and to operate CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL via DL7UPN. [TNX DX Newsletter]
C5 - Stewart, GW0ETF will be on holiday in the Gambia between 23 February and 8 March and hopes to do some casual operating from the hotel with 100w and a 20m dipole, mainly CW but maybe some RTTY/PSK31. He must apply for the licence upon arrival, and he hopes to get C56/GW0ETF. QSL via home call (QSLling instructions at qrz.com). [TNX GW0ETF]

D4 - A group of seven German operators will be active from Sal Island (AF-086), Cape Verde on 11-25 March as D44TXQ (Helmut/DL3KBQ), D44TXP (Holger/DL1COP), D44TXO (Juergen/DJ2VO), D44TXF (Gerd/DG3KAF), D44TXR (Henry/DL2RSI), D44TXI (Peter/DH2KI) and D44TXS (Franz, DL3PS/HB9EHQ). They plan to operate on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31, Hell, Amtor and SSTV, with seven stations running 100 watts into vertical antennas. QSL D44TXS via HB9EHQ, others via home call. [TNX DL3PS]
EA - Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Louis Braille, special event station EG3LB will be active again on 20-22 February, 27-28 February and 1 March. Expect activity on SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via EA3RKR, direct or bureau. [TNX EA3RKR]
EI - The Galway Radio Experimenters Club will celebrate St. Patrick's Day (17 March) operating as EJ4GRC from Inishmore, Aran Islands (EU-006). They will be active on all bands and modes, and a commemorative QSL card will be sent to all stations worked. [TNX EI7DMB]
F - The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (TP2CE) will be active as TP60CE from 27 February to 1 March to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe. QSL via F5LGF. A logsearch will be available at http://ewwa.free.fr [TNX F6FQK]
FG - Nicolas, F5TGR will be active as FG/F5TGR from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 15-28 March. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 10-40 metres. QSL via home call, direct ore bureau. [TNX F5TGR]
FG - Patrick, F4EBT will be active as FG/F4EBT from Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 21 March to 11 April. He plans to operate holiday style on SSB. [TNX F4EBT]
FH - Phil, G3SWH and Richard, G3RWL will be active from Mayotte (AF-027) between 26 February and 5 March [425DXN 919]. Both of them will use the single callsign of FH/G3SWH, and their activity will be mainly on 80-10 metres CW. Subject to QRN and site conditions, there may be some 160m CW activity, and Richard may also operate some later in the trip. They plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as possible. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau (on-line form for bureau cards can be found at http://www.g3swh.org.uk). [TNX G3SWH]
FM - Dim, UT5UGR is active as FM/KL7WA (QSL via UT5UGR) from Martinique (NA-107) until 24 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as FM5KC. [TNX UT5UGR].
FM - Al, F5VHJ will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (7-8 March) as TO5A from Martinique. QSL via F5VHJ (direct or bureau), or LOTW. [TNX F5VHJ]
J6 - Celebrating the 30th anniversary of their country, all amateur radio operators from St. Lucia are permitted to include the number 30 in their callsigns immediately after the prefix J6 (for instance, J630B = J69B and J630KZ = J69KZ) until 25 February. [TNX The Daily DX]
J6 - John, W5JON will be active as J6/W5JON from Marigot Bay, St. Lucia (NA-108) from 24 March to 2 April, CQ WPX SSB Contest included. He will operate SSB on 160-6 metres, using 400 watts, dipoles and a

3-element yagi for 6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX W5JON]
JD1_oga- Look for JD1BLK (QSL via JM1LJS), JD1BMH (QSL via JG7PSJ) and JD1BLY (QSL via JI5RPT) to be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 29 April to 12 May. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, plus satellite. Logsearches and further information will be available on their individual websites: http://radio-dream.com/jd1blk/e/ (JD1BLK), http://sapphire.ganko.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/ (JD1BMH) and http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ (JD1BLY) [TNX JI5RPT]
KH6 - Bill, AC0W wil be active as KH6/AC0W from Maui, Hawaii (OC-019) for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (7-8 March), with some possible activity on 10-80 metres SSB a few days before and after the contest. QSL via home call. Bill will upload his log to LoTW. [TNX AC0W]
KH6 - Al, F5VHJ will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March) as NH7A from Hawaii. QSL via F5VHJ (direct or bureau), or LOTW. [TNX F5VHJ]
KG4 - Dan, W0CN will be active as KG4CN from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) from 26 February to 9 March. He will operate SSB and some CW on 160-10 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via W0CN, direct, bureu or LoTW. [TNX W0CN]
PY0F - Fabio/PY2AAZ, Anderson/PY2TNT, Alex/PY2WAS and Bob/N6OX will be active as ZY0F from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) from around 23 UTC on 10 June through around 13 UTC on the 15th. Expect activity on 160-10 metres CW and SSB, plus 60m under a special licence granted by the Brazilian authorities. QSL via PY2WAS, direct or bureau. [TNX PY2WAS]
S0 - A multi-national team of ten operators (namely EA1CJ, EA1KY, EA2RY, EA3EXV, EA5RM, EA7AJR, F9IE, IN3ZNR, UT7CR and UY7CW) will be active as S04R from Western Sahara on 12-17 April. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-10 metres with at least three stations. The pilot station will be EA5BZ. QSL via EA5RM. Further information is available at http://www.dxfriends.com [TNX EA5RM]
SV - George/SV1QN, Fotis/SV1AIN, Giannis/SV1GYG and Nikos/SW1GYN will be active as homecall/8 from Zakynthos Island (EU-052) on 23-29 March. They will operate on 160-6 metres all modes. QSL via home calls. [TNX SV9AHZ]
TA - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as TA0/DL2JRM/p from Kekova Island (AS-115) on 23-25 February. He will operate CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
UA - Look for special callsigns UE3YAR (QSL via RV3YR) and UE3YRA (QSL via RA3YC) to be aired until 24 February for the AFARU (Armed Forces Amateur Radio Union) and RDA activity programmes. [TNX RV3YR]
VE - Heinz, VA7AQ will be active as VE9/VA7AQ from Grand Manan Island (NA-014) on 20-25 March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA7AQ]
VE - Cezar, VE3LYC will try to operate from the Fox Islands (NA-186) between 31 March and 3 April. This IOTA group was activated only

once and very briefly by WT2O/VE8 sixteen years ago, and sits at #1 on the Most Wanted NA-IOTA List. He will operate SSB and CW with 100 watts and a multi-band vertical antenna, with a focus on 20, 30 and 40 metres. Information about callsign and QSLing (direct and bureau) will be posted on QRZ.com before the expedition. The islands are polar bear resting areas, and a special permit has been obtained for this operation from the Manitoba Conservation Authority. Cezar will be accompanied by two professional guides for the duration of his stay. Costs of this operation are considerable and both group and individual donors are sought and will be graciously acknowledged. [TNX VE3LYC]
VK - Chris, G0WFH will be active as VK7ACG from Tasmania (OC-006) from 19 October to 17 November. He will operate SSB on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX G0WFH]
VK9L - The Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group will operate as VK9LA (http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm) from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) from 23 March to 3 April, CQ WW WPX SSB Contest included. A large group of operators (IZ3ESV, K5YY, N2OO, N2OZ, SQ8X, SQ9DIE, SV2KBS, VK1TX, VK3HJ, VK3QB, VK4FW, VK4IO, VK4VCH, VK5CP, VK5PO and W5SL) will be active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, with seven HF stations plus one for 6m, monoband yagis, monoband verticals and a quantity of wire antennas for the low bands. QSL via VK4FW.
VK9M - AA7JV and HA7RY will be active as VK9GMW from Mellish Reef (OC-072) between 22 March and 6 April (actual operating dates are subject to change due to weather). This will be "another low-key, simple DXpedition", with a strong focus on the low bands (although George and Tomi intend operate on all HF bands). QSL direct to HA7RY. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Please visit http://www.vk9gmw.com for further information, including detail on how contribute to the DXpedition. [TNX AA7JV]
VP2M - Bob, AA1M (VP2MPL) and Mike, W1USN (VP2MPR) will be be active from Montserrat (NA-103) from 25 February to 7 March. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via home calls. [TNX AA1M]
W - Fred, N5IVZ will be active from South Padre Island (NA-092) on 28 February, from 14 UTC to 23 UTC. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX VA3RJ]
ZF - Bob, K3UL will operate mainly CW as ZF2UL from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 28 February to 7 March. He will be active holiday style, but he plans to spend at least two nights on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Yuji, JH2BNL (V63AR, V73J, NH0AA) and Mine, JA2NQG (V63WW, V73M, AH0F) will be active from Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, Palau and Guam as follows:
04-06 March Chuuk (OC-011) V63AR, V63WW and V63C (club call)
06-09 March Pohnpei (OC-010) V63AR, V63WW and V63P (club call)
09-11 March Kosrae (OC-059) V63AR, V63WW and V63T (club call)
11-14 March Majuro (OC-029) V73J and V73M

14-16 March Palau (OC-009) T8 callsigns TBA
17-19 March Guam (OC-026) NH0AA/KH2 and AH0F/KH2
They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls; the QSL route for the three V6 club calls is via JH2BNL. [TNX JA2NQG]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Hrane, YT1AD and David, K3LP are planning two DXpeditions to three DXCC Entities: Tokelau (ZK3) & Central Kiribati (T31) to take place in April or September 2010, and Conway Reef (3D2C) for late September 2011. In order to organize these operations, Hrane and Miki (YU1DW) will be travelling to a few South Pacific islands between 20 April and 7 May this year, and be active as follows:
22 April Samoa 5W8A (YT1AD) and 5W0DW (YU1DW)
22-24 April American Samoa KH8/N9YU (YT1AD)
25 April Fiji Islands 3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW)
27-29 April Western Kiribati T30M (YT1AD) and T30DW (YU1DW)
4 May Fiji Islands 3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW)
More information will be available at http://www.yt1ad.info/t31 [TNX YT3W]

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A DIFFERENT KIND OF AMATEUR RADIO COMPETITION ---> The overall Amateur Radio population has diminished dramatically, and the group at Radio Arcala (OH8X) is poised to try some new methods to attract young people congregating in many non-traditional hangouts such as Virtual World on the internet.
The overall Radio Arcala strategy is spelled out on the OH8X Webpages but one of the key buttons - "On Young People's Terms" - is still to be drafted. Radio Arcala challenges members of our fraternity of all ages to draft the text for this button in a way that is both appealing and informative enough to encourage today's youth to take the step we once took. Please submit your paper (no more than 250 in length in English or Spanish) by email no later than 15 March to oh8x@... (English) or yv5amh@... (Spanish). Details on the project can be found at http://www.radioarcala.com
[TNX OH2BN]

APPEAL FOR HELP ---> Abubaker, DL1AL (5A1A) sumitted "a very large number" of 5A1A QSL cards for ARRL awards, but they got lost between Germany and the US. "In an effort to rebuild my cards to apply for various awards, as well as to create a QSL album of contacts from Libya, I need your help", he says. "Please check your logs and if you worked 5A1A from 1995 onward, would you please send me a card to confirm the contact? You may send the card via the German bureau to DL1AL (my German callsign) or to my address in Germany".

ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST (CW) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC countries as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while foreign amateurs (also including KH6, KL7, CY9 and CY0) work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (full rules can be found at http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2009/intldx.html. This year's event will run from from 00.00 UTC on 21 February through 24.00 UTC on the 22nd. Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxc2009.html - good contest to you all!

K5D ---> The logsearch is now up and running on DXpedition's website (http://www.kp5.us/). It currently covers the period from 16 UTC on 13 February until 01.10 UTC on the 20th (67277 QSOs). The team now has "a more robust internet connection and the gap between uploaded logs should begin to shrink". The online lookup "cannot correct any problems we discover in the logs. Those will be dealt with when we're off island. In short, if you cannot find a Q in the online log, work us again just to be certain!"

LOGS ---> A logsearch for J20SE's recent operation is now up and running at http://www.ik3ges.it/iv3fsg.htm, and the QSL cards are being printed. [TNX IK3GES]

QSL 3V8SS ---> Antonio, IZ8CCW is the new QSL manager for 3V8SS, effectibe 1 January 2009. He is trying to get a hold of old logs. [TNX IZ8CCW]

WINQSLPOLICY ---> Manfred Meier, DF6EX (author of WINQSL and WIN-QSL-Collector) has just started a new project called WINQSLPOLICY. This application shows "where you can expect a return of QSL-cards via Buro, via Direct of if you just worked a Dollar-IRC-Collector". The database currently contains more than 10,000 entries, and club-licences are free of charge. Detail can be found on www.winqsl.de/qslpolicy. [TNX DF6EX]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A2MD, 3B8CF, 3B8GT, 3D2AG/p, 3V8BB, 4A3A, 4K9W, 4S7NE, 4W6R, 4Z5J, 5H1C (AF-032), 5N/LZ1QK, 5R8FU, 5R8IC (AF-090), 5U5U, 5W0UK, 5Z4/9A3A, 6V7D, 7P8DA, 7W0AD, 7Z1SJ, 8P5A, 9L1X, 9M6/N2BB, 9M6XRO/p, A25/DL7DF, A45WD, A5100A, A71AN/p, AT3ANT, BD7MVZ, BG1DRJ/2 (AS-158), BG7MVZ, C21XF, C31CT, C57R, C6AQQ, C6AXD, C94KF, CE0Y/N6NO, CP4BT, CP6AA, CW2C, CX7TT, D2QMN, D60VB, DL4JS/6W, DS1REE, DU1ZV, DV5PO, E51CUK, E51KAJ, E51QQQ, E76AQ, E77DX, E79D, EA6VQ, EK3SA, EK6TA, EL2DX, EP3HF, EP3SMH, ER/RW3AH, ER4DX, ER4ER, EY8/K4ZW, FJ/G3TXF, FK8CP, FK8DD, FM1HN, FO/DJ7RJ, FO/KM9D, FY1FL, H44MY (OC-192), H44TO (OC-192), HH4/AF4Z, HI0C, HI3T, HI3TEJ, HI8ROX, HK1AT, HK1X, HK3CQ, HP1/LA5IIA, HQ8R, J3/DL5AXX, J3/DL7VOG, J3/DM2AYO, J39BS, JD1BMM, JT1Y, JX9JKA, KG4SS, KH6LC, KL1V, KL7J, KP2/NY6X, KP2/W3AVO, KP2HC, LX1NO, OA4BHY/2 (SA-075), OH3OJ/p (EU-101), OK1CZ, OK1DQT, OL0A, OM7CW, P40L, P40W, PJ2T, PJ7/W6JKV, PY0FF, R1FJT, RW0CN, S53MM, S79NS/p, SU1KM, SV3RF, SV8/HA6PS (EU-174), SV9/DL5AXX, T04X, T30XX, T47C (NA-086),T88CJ, TF3CW, TF3SG, TR50R, TT8JT, UA2FW, V31XX, V4/AH6HY, V5/HB9PHJ, VK9DWX, VP9GE, VQ5FOC, VU2BGS, VU2UR, VU4MY, VU4RG, VU7SJ, XU7ABN, YT5Z, YU1AB, YU8SM, YW1TI, Z29KM, Z360M, ZB2FK, ZC4LI, ZK3AH, ZK3MW, ZP0R, ZP6/IZ1GLO, ZY0K.

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9101. ARLP008 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-20 19:41:10 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 1601 Message: 9101

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin 8 ARLP008
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 20, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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On February 11-13 we saw a sunspot, then it was gone. Typical of sunspots recently, it was only seen briefly, and this one was a relic of Cycle 23 according to its magnetic signature. For at least a couple of years now we've been expecting Cycle 23 to bottom out and new Cycle 24 spots to emerge, but the sunspot minimum drags on. Most projections are based on past cycle activity, so according to the timing of past solar minimums, we keep thinking surely soon there will be an explosion of new solar activity, but the Sun seems to tease us.

Our recent experiment with a 3-month moving average of sunspot numbers (see Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP006 at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2009-arlp006.html for the latest update) points to August 2008 as the possible solar minimum. If it turns out to be the end of Cycle 23, that would make 23 nearly 12 years long, only a little longer than the less-than-eleven-year average cycle length.

Tomas Hood, NW7US has a nice image showing the transition from Cycle 23 to Cycle 24 sunspots at, http://hfradio.org/progress/spotcompare.jpg. I believe the vertical axis represents number of actual sunspots per month, rather than sunspot number, which is entirely different.

Tomas Hood's website at http://hfradio.org/ has information on radio propagation, and you can also hear his twangy guitar when you go to that page.

Geomagnetic conditions were quiet this week, although February 14-15 saw moderate activity. The middle-latitude Fredericksburg A index was just 9 and 6 on those days, and the Planetary A index was 14 and 10. The high-latitude College A index measured near Fairbanks, Alaska was 25 and 22, indicating possibly disturbed conditions over polar paths. February 16-19 and possibly into today show very

stable and quiet indicators, similar to the January 7-8, 11-12, 21-25, and February 1-3, and 6-13 periods. All those ones and zeroes for K and A index tell the story at, http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/quar_DGD.txt.

Geomagnetic conditions should continue to be quiet. NOAA and the U.S. Air Force predict a flat solar flux around 70 for the next month. The predicted Planetary A index for February 20-23 is 8, 12, 8 and 5, continuing at 5 until March 3, when it may rise to 10. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions for February 20-26, except for unsettled conditions February 21-22.

There were a couple of bugs with some links in last week's Propagation Forecast bulletin ARLP007.

The bulletin as displayed on the ARRL web site showed one of the links, mms://max-server.net/2008_vr2bg with the beginning unhighlighted, so when users clicked to try to watch the VR2BG video on OTH radar, they were instead taken to a similar address beginning with http, which does not work. Instead you can highlight the whole URL including the mms beginning, hit Ctrl-C to copy, then open another browser and paste the URL into the web address field by clicking in the field and then hitting Ctrl-V, then the Enter key. At least, this is how it works with Windows machines.

Similarly, the http://www.techblog.tomksoft.com/data/duga-3/antennas.jpg link, although correct, caused the server to display an anti-hotlinking error message as it detected the redirect from the ARRL web site. This can be solved like the earlier problem with the mms URL. Just highlight the URL, then copy and paste it into another browser. Works every time. Thanks to George Mackus, AB0RX of Maryland Heights, Missouri for alerting us to the problem.

Find more information on the Chain Home Radar system -- Jim Muiter, N6TP, of San Mateo, California, recommended http://www.radarpages.co.uk/mob/ch/chainhome.htm.

Greg Andracke, W2BEE of Pine Plains, New York is off to Middle Caicos Island (IOTA NA-002) from March 2-12 as VP5/W2BEE. Greg will be operating CW with just a doublet antenna, and if not on vacation, perhaps he is there to film another documentary. He is a cinematographer (see http://www.imdb.com/name/nm0027996/ and http://www.andracke.com/) and recently I watched his excellent 2007 Academy Award winning documentary via a DVD from my local library. Not sure which HF bands he will be on, but he said he will be operating casually.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for February 12 through 18 were 11, 11, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 3.1. 10.7 cm flux was 69.7, 70.1, 70.1, 69.6, 69.5, 70.6, and 69.8 with a mean of 69.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 3, 14, 10, 3, 1 and 2 with a mean of 5.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 2, 9, 6, 2, 1 and 1 with a mean of 3.1.
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9102. Pure dumb luck

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 14:16:19 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9102 Message: 9102

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The pileup was immediate and I knew that my little 100W and non-17M antenna would not cut the proverbial mustard. So I sat and listened in utter dismay to the massive and typically unruly European pileup. A French station had perfect timing at the end of the calling stations and dropped his call in twice. I was absolutely amazed that K5D came right back to him. And so I tried it myself but I only called once.

Damned if it didn't work. Less than three minutes had elapsed since the return of K5D and I was in the log.

So, if you play your cards right, it is possible to "break the pileup." It is a combination of pure dumb luck and pure dumb luck :-).

Now, I wonder if I can hear them on 12M. I'm guessing NOT!

I took the day off so I could try to work K5D on 17. What am I going to do for the rest of the day?????

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Al, VE1AL

9103. Re: [DX-IS] Pure dumb luck

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 15:19:26 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9102 Message: 9103

Congrats Al!

I've now worked them on all bands I was really interested in. I didn't work them on 17, 12 or 10. I may give it a try but I'm not spending another 20 hours calling.

Listen on 10 CW this weekend to determine how open the band is. Nothing like a major contest to indicate where the band is open to! :-)

GL & 73,
Zack W9SZ

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9104. RE: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 15:28:14 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 5610 Message: 9104

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73, ron w3wn

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Sent: Friday, February 20, 2009 7:53 AM ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Desecheo

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Date: 2009-02-21 16:48:51 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 5610 Message: 9105

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9106. Re: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 17:26:01 UTC
From: PY7ZZ-GMAIL
Topic: 5610 Message: 9106

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> Subject: [DX-IS] Desecheo
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> I finally got them on 40 last night. I think the pileups are getting
> thinner.
>
> All my QSO's have been with the barefoot TS-850. No amp at all,
> including on
> 80m. If you're a little pistol, I think it's often a matter of luck if you
> end up on a frequency that is free of QRM and if they happen to tune
> to that
> frequency.
> I don't know what their plans are but I'll bet they concentrate on SSB
> and 6
> meters during the ARRL DX contest.
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
>
> On Thu, Feb 19, 2009 at 2:40 PM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH) <
> w5uc@... <mailto:w5uc%40suddenlink.net>> wrote:
>
> > Deacon Dave wrote:
> > >
> > > I think they [K5D] have a superb operation.
> > >
> > > I have listened for their operating procedures and have them in the
> > > log on 5 bands [80, 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters] all CW. My total
> > > operating time over the three days was less than 2 hours.
> > >
> > > They have great ears and superb skills.
> > >
> > > DD
> >
> > Amen Dave:
> > They are doing a great job. I already have KP5 confirmed on 160 & 40, so
> > only needed the others. So far I have worked K5D on 80, 30, 20, 15, &
> > 17, all CW, and ran the amp only on 80. I hope 10 & 6 wake up before
> > they leave. I have been trying to work them on 20 RTTY, but my skills on
> > RTTY aren't so great, and I have trouble figuring out where they are
> > listening and what their habits are.
> >
> > 73,
> > Mike, W5UC
> > *age & treachery will overcome youth & skill*
> > *"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place

> > where the big chunks float to the top"*
> > http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
> <http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/>
>
> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.0.237 / Virus Database: 270.11.2/1964 - Release Date:
> 02/21/09 11:05:00
>
>
Nelson:

Try to do that from another place then USA ...
Easy when it's on our back-yard ... 73

Fred - PY7ZZ

9107. Re: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 18:24:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 5610 Message: 9107

I had something similar happen last Sunday. There was a pipeline from them to this area of the country on 20 meters (not sure of the exact area but I heard W5's and W9's, W0's work them) after the band would've normally been closed. They called CQ a lot with no takers. I worked them first call on both SSB and CW on 20 then. Those QSO's were about an hour apart.

I think a lot of us sat with our receivers set at 7023 for several nights last week. They seemed to show up any time between 0530 and 0630Z. IF you were lucky and called when they first showed up, AND on the frequency they were receiving on, you could beat out the masses. Didn't happen for me but I did work them the other night on 40 CW. The pileups are thinning.

73, Zack W9SZ

Nelson Moyer wrote:

Being at the right place at the right time has everything to do with getting in the log, and being there when the DX calls CQ or getting there at or shortly after a spot enhances your probability of success. However, sometimes you luck into one of those serendipitous experiences that you wouldn't have predicted. Such was the case not once, but twice yesterday. About 1510 UTC I noticed a 17 meter RTTY spot for K5D, and worked him at 1512 UTC after a few calls. Then, noting that they were also running RTTY on 30 meters, I tuned the frequency and worked them at 1516 UTC. What are the chances of them being on 17 and 30 meter RTTY and working them both bands within four minutes of each other? The same thing happened later that evening. K5D was spotted on 160 SSB and I worked them at 0057 UTC on the second call. Shortly afterwards, an 80 meter SSB spot appeared, and I work them on 80 SSB at 0114 UTC after a few calls. By then, the hoards were gathering, and it got much more difficult for the latecomers to break the pileup. So by a twist of fate, I worked K5D on two modes and four bands in a total operating time of less than 25 minutes. Serendipitous indeed!

Nelson, KU0A

9108. Re: [DX-IS] Desecheo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 19:04:52 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 5610 Message: 9108

At 01:26 PM 2/21/2009, you wrote:

>Nelson:
>
>Try to do that from another place then USA ...
>Easy when it's on our back-yard ... 73
>
>Fred - PY7ZZ

It's all about location, Fred. I see you spotting Asian stuff
that we'll love to be even able to hear, let alone work. For us on
the east coast of NS, you'd be hard pressed to find a easier location
to work than the Caribbean. On the other hand, 3Y0/b and ZS8 are a
clean over water path for you. Yes, this one favours us (As did St Barts.)

However, you wait. Someone will find a new one on a map that is
some island in the South China Sea, and then we in east coast NA will
be the ones who will be lucky to get a single 20M QSO. It's all
about location. You win some and you lose some.

73, Paul VE1DX

9109. K5D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 20:10:44 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 5541 Message: 9109

Two observations;
1. Looking at the donors page, there seems to be an disporante amount given $ to the rest of the amateur community. Hope whole community is not being as procasting as my self.

2. Lots of spots on 21295.....Have yet to hear them.....new antenna needed?
--
Dale K8TS

9110. qrt?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 21:33:28 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 9110 Message: 9110

seeing spots that k5d is qrt.....see other spots of qso's.....what gives
sez to see site.....don't see nuttin

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Dale K8TS

9112. Re: [DX-IS] qrt?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 21:45:27 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9110 Message: 9112

Maybe someone doesn't know what they're talking about. Spots for them still showing up, evidently working JA's on 15 SSB right now.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Feb 21, 2009 at 3:33 PM, <k9ttt@...> wrote:

>
seeing spots that k5d is qrt.....see other spots of qso's.....what
gives
sez to see site.....don't see nuttin

--
Dale K8TS

9113. RE: [DX-IS] qrt?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 21:49:43 UTC
From: frosty1@pdq.net
Topic: 9110 Message: 9113

Some one is full of it. I think from looking at the pictures they have less antennas.
On 20 right now with good signal. 14.241

K5LBU Frosty
www.k5lbu.com <http://www.k5lbu.com/>
www.dxsafari.com <http://www.dxsafari.com/>
www.africandxsafari.com <http://www.africandxsafari.com/>

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of k9ttt@...
Sent: Saturday, February 21, 2009 3:33 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] qrt?

seeing spots that k5d is qrt.....see other spots of qso's.....what gives
sez to see site.....don't see nuttin

--
Dale K8TS

9114. re; qrt

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 22:26:41 UTC
From: k9ttt@comcast.net
Topic: 9114 Message: 9114

yup.....the 'eu' station that posted that on dx summit was really off the mark.....lsn to him (and trying to work him) on 7084 right now as I write this
dale k8ts

9115. RE: [DX-IS] re; qrt

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 22:46:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9114 Message: 9115

Earlier today some European (identified on the cluster as...) posted that K5D was shutting down due to problems with documentation. It was, I am certain, absolutely wrong and malicious. After that post, I listened to them on 17 for hours, then went to 20 and then to 30. They are still there.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of k9ttt@...
Sent: Saturday, February 21, 2009 6:27 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] re; qrt

yup........the 'eu' station that posted that on dx summit was really off the mark.........lsn to him (and trying to work him) on 7084 right now as I write this
dale k8ts

9116. DS1D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-21 23:27:18 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9116 Message: 9116

I sure hope my all time first South Korea qso is legit.
Worked him on 15m contest today.
Any one know about this call please?

tx and 73
frank w0ecs

9117. Re: [DX-IS] DS1D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 00:10:23 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9116 Message: 9117

Please ignore my "DS1D" query - I'm straightened out now.
73, frank w0ecs

Frank T Brady wrote:
>
> I sure hope my all time first South Korea qso is legit.
> Worked him on 15m contest today.
> Any one know about this call please?
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> tx and 73
> frank w0ecs
>
>

9118. RE: [DX-IS] re; qrt

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 00:43:02 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9114 Message: 9118

When I saw that post I thought someone might have stepped on a crab !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: k9ttt@...
CC: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aleith@...
Date: Sat, 21 Feb 2009 18:46:37 -0400
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] re; qrt

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Sent: Saturday, February 21, 2009 6:27 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] re; qrt

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9119. New Hams

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 01:14:12 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9119 Message: 9119

I have written and uploaded to my website in pdf form a short introductory to Ham Radio for new Hams that includes many links to
sites that we all use to help them get a jump start. There is no cost since I just wanted to do something for the community.

How do I or who do I ask for permission to upload it into the files section?
Someone probably needs to approve it first, but I dont know who.

73 fer nw es gud DX,
QSL VIA: LotW, BUR, e-QSL
Bob AD5VJ
http://www.ad5vj.com/
Old Calls WB5ZQU, WY5L/KH3, KE5CTY, N5IET

9120. Re: New Hams

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 01:24:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9119 Message: 9120

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "AD5VJ Bob" <rtnmi@...> wrote:
>
> I have written and uploaded to my website in pdf form a short introductory to Ham Radio for new Hams that includes many links to
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> Bob AD5VJ
> http://www.ad5vj.com/
> Old Calls WB5ZQU, WY5L/KH3, KE5CTY, N5IET
>

Bob,

I just checked and as far as I can tell, members can upload files.
You have to do it from the web interface. Just log on to the web at:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/

Click on the Files section on the left side of the page and you
should be able to upload it with the "Add File" link at the lower
left. If this doesn't work, let me or N1DG know.

73, Paul VE1DX

9121. RE: [DX-IS] Re: New Hams

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 02:08:35 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9119 Message: 9121

Hi Paul

I just realized that wont work because in order to make sure it was only Hams that got a hold of it I included a password in order
to open the pdf that I have to email them since I wanted it to be their own personal copy.

I looked in the links section but it looks like that section is closed for some reason, or I cant figure out how to create a link in
there.

Does anyone know how?

Bob AD5VJ

> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
> Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
> Sent: Saturday, February 21, 2009 7:24 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: New Hams
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "AD5VJ Bob" <rtnmi@...> wrote:
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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9122. Re: New Hams

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 02:16:53 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9119 Message: 9122

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "AD5VJ Bob" <rtnmi@...> wrote:
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> Hi Paul
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> Does anyone know how?
>
> Bob AD5VJ

Bob,

The link section was read only for list members. I opened it up so that list members can add/modify/delete links. This was previously limited to moderators/list owners. This should allow you to create a link to the document you have created.

I'm not sure of the wisdom in doing this, but I'm trusting that none of the ~300 members will create links to inappropriate material. It's probably no more risky than allowing members to upload files, and this has been allowed since the list was created.

73, Paul VE1DX

9123. RE: [DX-IS] Re: New Hams

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 02:26:59 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9119 Message: 9123

Hi Paul

Thanks, if you would like to review the material I can send you a copy of it along with a passcode. I have made the link.

I agree with you on the concern abt inappropriate material.

My recommendation, if I may be so bold, would be to have all of us ask permission even for file uploads. This way you or your
designated representative could review the material first.

If you would like I can volunteer to help you on this.

73 fer nw es gud DX,
QSL VIA: LotW, BUR, e-QSL
Bob AD5VJ
http://www.ad5vj.com/
Old Calls WB5ZQU, WY5L/KH3, KE5CTY, N5IET

> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
> Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
> Sent: Saturday, February 21, 2009 8:17 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: New Hams
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "AD5VJ Bob" <rtnmi@...> wrote:
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9124. A good week (brag)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 06:51:38 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9124 Message: 9124

Three all-new before the contest: ET3, K5D, T2. Just missed HV0A.

Five new on 80 in the contest: OH0, GD, EU, 5B, HC. (Nice when they are looking for NA only!)

Now all I need for 9BDXCC is some sunspots for 12 and 10, and some room for an inverted L on 160.

DX IS.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG
wd4elg@...
http://wd4elg.net

9125. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #897

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-22 22:02:36 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9125 Message: 9125

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th/February, through Sunday, 22nd/February there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, KP5, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4L0, GEORGIA. Members of the Mamuka Contest Club will activate 4L0G in the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 27th-March 1st) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: 4L5DJ/Shota, 4L2M/Mamuka and 4L4CC/Levan. They will use a TS-950SDX w/1KW PA into a full size Delta loop and Vertical; RX Antenna 2 beverages. QSL via EA7FTR (UA9LP for Russia; UT7QF for Ukraine).

4M, VENEZUELA. Operators Jose/YV5TX, Werther/YV5MSG and Alexis/YV5SSB will be active as 4M5DX during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via IT9DAA.

7Q, MALAWI. QSL Manager Allan, G0IAS, will be active as 7Q7AH with Harry, 7Q7HB (G0JMU), on the southern shore of Lake Malawi for one month starting February 23rd. Allan informs OPDX that he will be taking an amplifier and a wire antenna for Top-Band with him which should be a little better and stronger for this band. However, he mentions that this is the rainy season, with lots of lightning storms around the Lakeshore so please don't expect miracles. Harry is already fairly active on RTTY and PSK31, but 7Q7AH hopes to fill some gaps when Harry is busy. There is also a chance that John, 7Q7JL, will also visit the shack to transmit if the roads are okay to drive on between the Lakeshore and Blantyre. QSL route is to G0IAS, DIRECT ONLY, with sufficient funds for card return. NO return postage... NO return card. Allan states, "Sorry people but postage is expensive in the UK...and the managers pockets are only so deep.!"

8Q, MALDIVES (AS-013). Tom, PF4T, will be active as 8Q7TB from Embudu between June 8-25th. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using SSB. QSL via PF4T, direct to: Tom Braam, Hondsrug 210, 8251 VB Dronten, The Netherland. PLEASE NOTE: Include a self addressed envelope with or 1 Green Stamp if you are in Europe. If outside Europe, please include 2 Green Stamps, as one is not enough to cover postage.

B1, CHINA. Ed, N1UR, will be operating as B1Z from the Beijing DX Club Contesting station during the CQ-M Contest (May 9-10th) as a CW/SSB entry. QSL info TBD. More details later.

C6, BAHAMAS. Harry, W6DXO, will once again be active as W6DXO/C6A from South Andros Island (NA-001) between March 1-7th. Activity will be holiday style operation with focus on 30/17/12 meter bands as propagation allows. QSL Manager is KF6JOQ (direct).

CT7, PORTUGAL (Special Event). Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will activate the special callsign CT7FFC from Sapal Castro Marim Natural Reserve (DPRN FF-22, valid for DPRN - Portuguese Natural Parks, Natural Reserves and Protected Landscapes Award <http://www.algarvedx.com/dprn>), March 1st between 0700-1300z. They will be on the air with 2 stations running 40m and 20m SSB and CW. Team consists of: Rui/CT1ERY, Toze/CT1GFK, Al/CT1GPQ, Mike/CT1IUA and Rui/CT2IHP. QSL via CT1GFK, direct or by the bureau, request via E-mail to: cu8at@...

D4, CAPE VERDE. Operators Fabio/I4UFH, Cortes/IZ4DPV, Vittorio/I4YSS and Antonio/CT1DVV will be active as D4C during the CQ World Wide WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via IZ4DPV. For the latest information, check the D4C Web page at: http://www.d4c.cc

ED5, SPAIN. Members of the Torrent Contest Club will activate ED5T during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA5ELT. Operators mentioned are: Juan/EA5GIE, Jose/EA5GS, Duncan/EA5ON, Antonio/EA5DF, David/EC5KXA and Vic/EA5KV.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Nicolas, F5TGR, will be active as FG/F5TGR from March 14-28th. Activity will be active on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

FH, MAYOTTE. Remember to look for Phil/G3SWH and Richard (Dick on CW)/G3RWL to be active from Mayotte this week between February 26th and March 5th. Mayotte counts as AF-027 for IOTA purposes. Both operators will use the single callsign of FH/G3SWH. Their activity will be mainly on CW on all bands 80-10 meters. There may be some 160 meters CW activity, but this will be entirely subject to QRN, antenna space and local site conditions, so there are no promises. Richard may also operate some RTTY towards the end of the trip. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many bands as possible. QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and adequate return postage (recommended), via Phil's Web site for a bureau reply or via the bureau. There is more information at:
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/mayotte.html

FM, MARTINIQUE. Dim, UT5UGR, will continue to be active as FM/KL7WA until February 24th. He was active in last weekend's ARRL DX CW Contest as FM5KC. QSL via UT5UGR.

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Stephane, F5UOW, will be active as FR/F5UOW from Boucan Canot (near St. Gilles les Bains) between March 8-22nd. Activity will be holiday style, mostly CW on 20 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-006. Members of the Galway Radio Experimenters Club will activate EJ4GRC from the Island of Inishmore (WAB Square L71) between 1200z, March 17th and 1200z, March 18th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Visit their Web site at:
http://www.galwayradio.com

EU-008/
EU-010. Paul, M3KBU, plans to be active as MM3KBU/p from the Inner (EU-008) and Outer (EU-010) Hebrides between August 1-16th. Activity will mainly be SSB on 14260 kHz (+/-). Check QRZ.com under MM3KBU for updates and times. QSL via M3KBU, direct or by the bureau. Islands currently mentioned are as follows:
Inner Hebrides (EU-008)
Skye (IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14)
Raasay (IOSA NH10, SCOTIA CN24)
Outer Hebrides (EU-010)
Baleshare (IOSA OH26, SCOTIA HI11)
Benbecula (IOSA OH04, SCOTIA HI08)
Berneray (IOSA OH05, SCOTIA HI15, WLOTA LH-0756)
Eriskay (IOSA OH09, SCOTIA HI05)
Grimsay (IOSA OH27, SCOTIA HI10)
North Uist (IOSA OH02, SCOTIA HI13)
South Uist (IOSA OH03, SCOTIA HI06)

EU-090. A team of 7 members of IOCA Group (Sven/DF9MV, Daki/9A2WJ, Franjo/9A2MF, Boki/9A3KB, Matt/DL5MFL and Dado/9A3TA), with Emir/9A6AA as team-leader, will be active as 9A0CI from "Vela Palagruza Island/Lighthouse" (CI-084, LH-0057, CRO-012) between May 8-16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digi-modes. QSL via DE0MST, by the DARC Bureau or direct to: Manfred Stippschild, Sylvensteinstr. 9, D-83661, Lenggries, Germany. They also expect to operate SSB as 9A/homecall and homecall/p from "Mala Palagruza Island" (EU-090, CI-461) and, for the first time, from "Rock of Kamik Od Tramuntane" (CI-960). QSL via their home callsigns. More details are available at: http://www.inet.hr/9a6aa/iocaplan.htm

NA-186. Cezar, VE3LYC, is planning a DXpedition to one of the most wanted IOTAs in the world called Fox Island. Cezar states, "This group sits on the #1 position on the NA-IOTA Most Wanted list with only 3% of the IOTA members having it confirmed. The only activation was back in 1993, for only a few hours. Several years ago Fox Islands had been designated polar bear resting site in the Churchill Wildlife Management Area and became off limits for the public. This past Thursday (Feb. 19th), I had finally been informed that a permit had been issued for my DXpedition, and I will be able to travel to the islands between March 31st and April 3rd. Note that I have also requested a special callsign from Industry Canada, but their evaluation is likely to take a little longer. I will travel with two professional guides who will provide transportation to the island by snowmobiles, bear watch and safety, as well as all logistical support required for such an operation. Outside temperature at that time of the year is expected to be around -10 C. If I'll be able to obtain the special callsign, I will set up a page at QRZ.com where I will update everyone on what follows." Costs of this operation are very high and Cezar is seeking any possible support from both group and individual donors. Cezar states, "Any donation will be truly, very much be appreciated. There are two things that I will include later on the QRZ.com page. First, about the QSLing. Those who choose to mail direct requests should check the cost of mail from Canada to their QTH. QSL requests received with insufficient return postage will be automatically sent via the bureau. Secondly, I will be camping in total wilderness without internet access on the island. As such, DX Cluster posts addressed to me as criticism or requests are useless. I am determined to give all parts of the world a chance, and I ask DXers to respect my direct calls."

J8, ST. VINCENT. Dave, G3TBK, is once again active from here as J88DR. He was in last weekend's ARRL DX CW Contest but is also expected to be in ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands, especially 30/17/12 meters, but mostly on CW. QSL via G3TBK, direct or by the RSGB Bureau.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Operators Hide/JM1LJS and Hiroyuki/JG7PSJ will be active as JD1BLK and JD1BMH, respectively, from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between April 29th and May 12th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Dan, W0CN, will be on a short work assignment and active as KG4CN from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (GITMO, IOTA NA-015, Grid FK29), from February 26th until March 9th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, mostly SSB and some CW. Also, look for Dan to be operating in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th). QSL to W0CN (LoTW/direct/Zero-Bureau).

KP5, DESECHEO ISLAND DXPEDITION (News/Update).....
* The K5D DXpedition to Desecho Island continues to be on the air until February 26th. On February 20th, "Group #2" left the island and was replaced by "Group #3". "Group #1" will be staying during the whole K5D operation. Pictures of the groups as follows:
#1 http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/group1.htm
#2 http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/group2.htm
#3 http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/group3.htm
The team has fought hot weather, high winds and seas which cause them to lose several antennas on the beach due to guy-points being washed away, but the DXpedition continues to operate effectively. Plenty of new pictures are being added daily to the DXpeditions Web site and the K5D QSO count keeps climbing high. As this was being written (Sunday at 1823z), the K5D QSO count was just under 86k contacts (+41k/CW, +38k/SSB and +5k/RTTY). This count does not include QSOs being made on the satellites. Remember, online logs at available at:
http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/lookup.htm
Activity will continue on 160-6 meters using 6-8 stations on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via N2OO. Remember for updates/logs/pictures, visit the KP5 Web page at: http://www.kp5.us

MJ, JERSEY. Operators David/G3NKC, Dave/G4BUO, Martin/G4XUM and Phil/GJ4CBQ will be active as MH4K during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via G3NKC.

P4, ARUBA (Change of Plans). Andy, AE6Y, will be active as P49Y during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (instead of the CW Contest -- March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via AE6Y.

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN. Bil/W8EB and his wife Dorothy/W8DVC will be here between February 22nd and March 19th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as PJ7/W8EB and possibly PJ7/W8DVC. Operations will be limited because he is on holiday. Bil will operate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as PJ7B, and as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. This will be Bil's 14th consecutive ARRL DX SSB Contest participation from St. Maarten. Also look for him to be in any RTTY contests. All QSL requests go to W8EB. Visit their PJ7B Web site at: http://www.qsl.net/pj7b/

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL ROUTES by Johannes/DK8JB and Tedd/KB8NW:
CM8CAD via QRZ.com address
CO8LY via EA7ADH

CO8TW via HB9SVT
J88DR via G3TBK
P40LE via LoTW or direct to K2LE
P40R via N4RR
RW2F via DK4VW
VP2VES via AK0M

HK1AT QSL STATUS. The HK1AT Team reports that there was a mistake in the printing of the QSL card and the name of the island (Mucura Island, IOTA SA-078) was omitted on all the QSLs confirmed so far. The team has proceeded to solve this problem and all those QSLs already confirmed, will be resent and with a new QSL with all the necessary data.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Nenad, VE3EXY, announced that he is now managing VE1OTA QSLs for "NEW" activations (all QSOs after January 2009). VE1VOX will still handle his own cards as well as OLD VE1OTA activations (all QSOs before January 2009). For more details, see QRZ.com.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Joe, W3HNK, is now the QSL Manager for SV0XBM/9.

TO3R QSL STATUS. Alex, RW3RN, states that he has received the TO3R QSLs from the print. Look for them to go out soon.

QSLS VIA LOTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8CF, 5N/LZ1QK, 9M6/N2BB, BG1DRJ/2, C94KF, E51KAJ, E51QQQ, EY8/K4ZW, FO/KH0PR, H40MY, HI3T, JX9JKA, T77C, TR50R, TT8JT, VP6PR, VP9GE, VU4RG and ZB2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3DA0ZO, 5B/LZ2HM, 8R1K, 8S5LH, 9A7W, 9A9Z/P, A25HQ, BL7IN, C50C, C91KDJ, DF0CHE/LH, DF1KSP, DF1RA, DF1VB, DF2CH, DF0CG, DJ1HA, DJ4GJ, DJ5KK, DJ6OL, DK0MA, DK1ZH, DK2YCT, DK4QT, DK5KN, DL0RS, DL0SHW, DL1DBR, DL1EST, DL1PR, DL3HH, DL4DBM, DL6ABN, DM4NF, DO6RO, DO7DP, DP4P, DR1A, E51WWA, EU5ROPE, EV9P, F8KTH/P, HB2008FS, HB2008ND, JW8BCA, OZ/DL1TM, PA5DD/P, RA3RGQ/1, RA6CY, S58AL, SD3A, SG5X, SK7L, SL1HF, SU8DLH, T6EE, TK/HA4XG, UA6AF/P and VP2EFB

RW2, KALININGRAD. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as RW2F in the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 27th-March 1st) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via DK4VW.

S9, SAO TOME (AF-023). Georg, DK7LX, will once again be active as S92LX from June 13-27th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW only. He plans to have a Web site available which will include an online log search. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event stations to be active with the "1658" within their callsigns on February 26th. Activity is to celebrate the "Treaty of Roskilde" when the three most southern provinces of Sweden [Skane (Scania), Blekinge and Halland] became under Swedish rule after more than 800 years of Danish rule. Working these stations is good for the "Roskilde 1658 Award". To qualify for the award you must work two Swedish award callsigns with 1658 in the call, or OZ1658ROS and one Swedish award

callsign. During the rest of the year four Swedish award callsigns or three Swedish award callsigns and OZ1658ROS are needed. The award is also available for SWLs. All callsigns, maybe with the exception of SH1658DK, will be active sometime during the day on February 26th. Most activity will take place after work hours, that is around 1600z or later, on 80m and 40m. Some stations will be active on 20m and other DX bands around 0800-1500z, if conditions permit. Also, SB1658OZ will be active on PSK31 near 14070 kHz on February 26th, if conditions permit. This station is situated in the province of Blekinge, and is also valid for the very rare "Lan K" for the national WASA/HASA awards issued by their IARU organization, SSA. Only a handful of hams are active on the HF bands from the county of Blekinge. "Roskilde 1658 Award" was presented in the February 2009 issue of CQ Amateur Radio. Check out their activities calendar on the Roskilde award's Web site for complete information at:
http://www.sk7bq.com/roskilde
The calendar will list all callsigns that will be active with their approximate dates/times and frequencies. The calendar is updated continuously when new activities are announced. An online log is available as well. It is updated at least every month if there has been activity with the callsigns. It will also tell you if you have qualified for the award.

SV9, CRETE (EU-015). Willi, DJ7RJ, will be active as SV9/DJ7RJ between February 25th and March 15th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

T2, TUVALU. Operators Bob/W7YAQ and Bill/N7OU are now active on Tuvalu as T27A and T27OU, respectively, until March 2nd. Both operators were active this past weekend as T27A in the ARRL DX CW Contest as a Multi-Single entry. Look for activity this week on 160-10 meters, mostly CW, some RTTY. QSL via their home callsign.

TA, TURKEY. Members of the Telsiz ve Radyo Amatorleri Cemiyeti Mustafakemalpasa Subesi (TA3KZ) and the Balkan Contest Club (LZ1KZA) will activate TA3KZ from small village Tirnova near Mustafakemalpasa (QTH Loc:KM49FV) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via TA3KZ, by the Bureau or direct.

V3, BELIZE. Gerd/DJ4KW and Gisela/DK9GG will once again be active as V31YN/p and V31GW/p, respectively, from Blue Marlin Lodge on Southwater Caye (NA-180), between February 26th and March 3rd. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the bureau or LoTW.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT (NA-103). Operators Mike/W1USN, Scott/W1SSR and Bob/AA1M will be active between February 25th and March 7th. Their callsigns have not yet been assigned, but they have requested VP2MPR (W1USN) and VP2MPL (AA1M), if not, VP2M/homecall. Activity is planned for CW, SSB and PSK-31. QSL via their CBA.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY will be active as VK9GMW in what they call "another low-key, simple DXpedition", from

Mellish Reef between March 22nd and April 6th. Please note that the dates are approximate and may change due to weather. The operation will have a strong low-band focus, although VK9WMW will operate on all HF bands. QSL will be via HA7RY, by the Bureau or LoTW or direct to: Tamas Pekarik, Alagi ut 15, H-2151 Fot, HUNGARY. After VK9GMW has gone QRT, they will launch an "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) on their Web site. If you want to receive your QSL via the Bureau, please use that form to request the card. They will check your QSOs against the log and send your card to you via the Bureau. This method will allow them faster processing, helps them protect the environment, and you will receive your VK9GMW card faster. For more information, please visit the VK9GMW Web page at:
http://www.vk9gmw.com
For donations, please access: http://vk9gmw.com/support.html

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). Bob, K3UL, will once again be active as ZF2UL between February 27th and March 7th. Activity will be mainly CW, "holiday style" on 160/80/30 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

ZP0, PARAGUAY. Tom, ZP5AZL, plans to be active as ZP0R during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via ZP5AZL. Visit Tom's Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/cx6vm/ZP5AZL

ZY0, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Operators Anderson/PY2TNT, Fabio/PY2AAZ/AC2AC, Alex/PY2WAS and Bob/N6OX will be active as ZY0F from Fernando de Noronha Island (SA-003), from June 10-15th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including 60/30/17/12 meters (60m under temporary licensed granted by the Brazilian Government) using CW and SSB. QSL via PY2WAS, by the bureau or direct. This DXpedition is sponsored by Spiderbeam Antennas. Also, see ZY0F on QRZ.com.

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9126. K5D Spot

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-23 13:13:21 UTC
From: Winston Rogers
Topic: 9126 Message: 9126

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ON4ND K5D 24023.0 1up 1255z 23 Feb

Win, W0LZ

9127. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #897.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-23 14:56:03 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9127 Message: 9127

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PRESS INFORMATION
For immediate release

KP5 Desecheo update. An interview by Wolf/OE1WHC with Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, co-expedition leader, audio file recorded via Satphone on February 23rd, is now available on the "Documentary Archive Radio Communication" KP5 special Web page at: http://www.dokufunk.org/desecheo

Glenn brings you up-to-update on what has taken place during their stay on Desecheo and on what will happen this week.... Give a listen!

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9128. Re: [DX-IS] K5D Spot

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-23 21:48:37 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9126 Message: 9128

Very poor DX frequency! I'll bet he didn't have a pileup.

On Mon, Feb 23, 2009 at 7:13 AM, Winston Rogers <w0lz@...> wrote:

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9129. Re: [DX-IS] 3D2QB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-23 22:09:10 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9116 Message: 9129

I'm trying to get a qsl for a 3d2qb qso in 1993.
qsl mgr info shows sm3cer (1997 on).
So I'm trying to write to 3d2qb directly.
But the hamcall address for him is:

Allan Osterman,
P.O. Box 736,
Lautoka, 666065,
FIJI, CONWAY REEF, ROTUMA

What I'm trying to figure out is which of the 3 countries to use in the
mailing address to reach him.

Has anyone successfully corresponded with Allan?

tx and 73
frank w0ecs

9130. HF Yagis

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 02:56:05 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9130 Message: 9130

I have used mainly wire antennas in my ham life, I know that doesn't match most peoples operating stations, but it has mine for
various reasons. So I am not really confident in what to look for in a beam.

I have been looking around at beams from various manufacturers (Hygain, M2, Cushcraft, KLM, ect., and the number of choices out
there are unreal. The gain in the sheets seems to be fairly close from one brand and model to the other. The weight and sizes are
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I am having a hard time making up my mind.

Not trying to make anyone make a decision for me, but I would like to see a consensus on what you guys look for when you are wanting
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that will last for 30 years, ease of construction, ect.

One guy told me that he buys a beam from the standpoint of leaving it up for a long time, another one said he doesn't like keeping
the same beam more than three years no matter what. (not sure why)

Or is it true that one brand is superior to others. I know it used to be that one (if they had the money) would buy KLM because it
was considered to be superior in workmanship.

Do anyone ignore the fact sheets since they all seem to be so close to one another and buy only one brand, simply because of brand
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I have read that the gain figures they advertise are not real, but are somehow made to reflect more gain than is practically
accomplished, so I would also like to know if that is true or not.

So far I dont see that much difference in the gain or F/B ratios. It seems a yagi is a yagi in that respect.

73 fer nw es gud DX,
QSL VIA: LotW, BUR, e-QSL
Bob AD5VJ
http://www.ad5vj.com/
Old Calls WB5ZQU, WY5L/KH3, KE5CTY, N5IET

9131. Re: [DX-IS] HF Yagis

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 03:23:08 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9130 Message: 9131

At 10:56 PM 2/23/2009, you wrote:
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>match most peoples operating stations, but it has mine for
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Bob,

I look for strength and not having to take it down every few years to do maintenance. Although I have a TH-5 (Hy-Gain) for 20/15/10, were I to do it over again, I'd go with a Mosley TA-34. They make the toughest antennas of any NA manufacturer. I have a Mosley TW-33-XL for 30/17/12 and a Mosley AM-56 for 6M. I read somewhere the *average* amount of time a Mosley beam is in the air is 27 years!

As you've found, there are many choices. There is no sense in comparing the manufacturer's specs, because they often mix up dBd and dBi to make their numbers look better (that's why most ads in Ham magazines no longer publish gain figures)

Also, most of them are not tested on a proper range, but rather use theoretical figures derived from computer simulation programs and look-up tables. Any beam, installed at a different height over different terrain, will give vastly different performance that the same model at another location. There probably is no answer to the best gain and best F/B other than the longer the boom and the more elements, the better.

Both of my Mosley antennas work well. They are tougher than anything else made stateside (I hear the German made Opti-beam is stronger -- I have never seen one and they cost and weigh a lot more.) I can't verify Mosley's claimed figures other than to say they work what they hear and have excellent forward gain and F/B. If, at my installation, they are off by a dB or two, I can't tell. I'm told Mosley, being a supplier of Military antennas, has to test them on proper ranges ten miles apart because they are bidding on government contracts and have to back up their figures. Apparently they do the same with their Amateur line of gear, but again, there is no way to prove or disprove the numbers given.

Based on this, I don't feel you will find a lot of difference between any of the mainstream manufacturers from an electrical standpoint. A trap is a trap, and a 50-ohm matching system, be it a gamma match, a beta match, or whatever, is just that; a matching system. They all will work the DX for you. In my experience, you will make a lot less trips up and down the tower if you install a Mosley. That is why I like Mosley.

73, Paul VE1DX

9132. RE: [DX-IS] HF Yagis

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 12:07:13 UTC
From: frosty1@pdq.net
Topic: 9130 Message: 9132

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It depends on what bands you want to work. If just 20/15/10 then a beam would be ok.
But if you would like to have 17 and 12 also I would go with a Tennadyne T8 LogP.

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Have 2 that we use in South Africa whrn we are there playing radio. One nice thing is no traps no moving parts.

Frosty
K5LBU/3DA0CF/7P8CF

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of AD5VJ Bob
Sent: Monday, February 23, 2009 8:56 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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9133. RE: [DX-IS] HF Yagis

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 12:24:12 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 9130 Message: 9133

Bob:

I have a Tennadyne T10 log periodic at my home QTH and love it. I replaced a Mosley Classic 33 WARC beam with it. The Tennadyne has no traps and has been totally flat SWR-wise across all 5 bands from the day I put it up at 50 ft.. There are no settings, etc. just just assemble it per the directions. Same way with the T6 and the T8 Tennadyne log periodics.

Only thing I miss is I had the 40m kit on the Mosley which also gave me a rotatable dipole on 40m, but I just use my inverted vee more now hi hi.

73 de Tom, WW5L

--- On Tue, 2/24/09, frosty1@pdq.net <frosty1@...> wrote:

From: frosty1@... <frosty1@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] HF Yagis
To: "'AD5VJ Bob'" <rtnmi@...>, DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, February 24, 2009, 6:07 AM

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9134. Re: [DX-IS] HF Yagis

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 12:40:31 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9130 Message: 9134

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> match most peoples operating stations, but it has mine for
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> beam.
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Good morning Bob:

I am using a Cushcraft A3 that I bought in 1986 or 1987, and it still hangs in there. It works 10-15-20. It isn't a top of the line antenna, but it has served me well. Running 500 watts I worked BS7H among others, and so far it has survived two hurricanes here in East Texas with top wind speeds up around 93-95 MPH. One more data point for you.

73,
Mike, W5UC
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9135. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #897.2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 14:36:27 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9135 Message: 9135

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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and the KP5 Web page for the following DX information.

The following press release was taken from the KP5 Web page. The release announces that the K5D team has now hit 100k QSOs and there is an amazing video available to watch online.....

February 23, 2009

0414z: K5D completes QSO 100,1000! the 100,000th Q was with E77U on 40M CW.

First Video uploaded and available at:
http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/feb18video.htm

1530z: Yesterday was a fairly easy day for the K5D team. No resupply boats, no water, gas or food to carry on our backs from the landing cove, no antenna work to do....just work the pileups. We have begun to modify the radio schedule to try to pick up those areas of the world that have been obscured by the huge pileups from the population centers of NA, JA and EU.

Also, as we approach the end of the operation, plans are being set for an orderly departure. By the terms of our SUP (Special Use Permit) we must vacate the island no later than the 26th. Our current plan is to begin removing equipment and infrastructure on Wednesday afternoon the 25th. The last night (Wednesday) we will have three stations QRV, emphasing 80m, 40m and 30m. Departure will resume at sunrise on the 26th.

The team is in good spirits and feels very good about what has been accomplished from this #6 "most needed" entity. We are now confident of over 100,000 QSOs.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new

FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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9136. Re: HF Yagis

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 17:10:12 UTC
From: Steve
Topic: 9130 Message: 9136
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Steve, NU7T

9137. 2009 Visalia International DX Convention

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 17:26:00 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9137 Message: 9137

Attention All DXers

The 2009 International DX Convention
in Visalia, California
Will be held April 17th to 19th, 2009

This is the 60th Anniversary of this event, which promises to be even more special this year than it has been in previous years.

Special Attractions this year Include:
a.. Contest Academy by the Northern California Contest Club
b.. Radio Arcala Project with OH2BH & OH8NC
c.. Special Guest and Banquet Speaker: The Hon. J. Scott Redd (K0DQ), Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy (ret)
d.. Breakfast Program: Desecheo, KP5 DX-Pedition
For Complete Program Information, see www.dxconvention.org

Hurry!! Special Pre-registration Price Ends March 20, 2009!!

9138. interesting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 21:28:25 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9138 Message: 9138

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K7LFY-@        10106.0 K5D          Will there be SSB?               2106 24 Feb

Dale K8TS
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9139. K5D and the laws of Physics

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 22:32:35 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9139 Message: 9139

For various reasons, I'm restricted to using a 20m wire dipole right now. Not surprisingly, I worked K5D on 20m but I had no problem working them on 15, 17 and 30m as well. It must be the 20 ft of coax that's radiating a fraction of the nominal 100 watts.

Hmmm, I wonder if it works on 160m....

Derek
aa5bt

9140. Re: [DX-IS] Re: HF Yagis

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-24 23:07:14 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9130 Message: 9140

I've had a Hygain TH7 in the air for almost thirty years. Down one time to relocate ten miles to current location. Assembled and reassembled with Blackburn brand aluminum joint compound. Replaced the transformer balun with the high power choke balun. Its survived numerous high winds, a close pass of a tornado, and ice storms (see <http://www.csm-gh.com/AB9M-TH-7.htm> and <http://www.csm-gh.com/ac9s-skyhawk-1.htm>) when others in the area with different manufacturer's antennas were not as fortunate. Your results may differ.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
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gary.huber@...y.mil

From: Steve
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2009 11:10 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: HF Yagis

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9141. Remote operation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-25 16:20:08 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9141 Message: 9141

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Dale K8TS

9142. RE: Remote operation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-26 22:43:59 UTC
From: K9OR
Topic: 9141 Message: 9142

Dale,

There is a lot of info on the web - depends on the radio, mode, internet connection, and how much you want to control.
Suggest you join this reflector, has many of the more experienced remote ops:

http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/remoteoperating

73 Randy K9OR

-----Original Message-----

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Posted by: "Dale Cole K8TS" k9ttt@... dhc4fun
Date: Wed Feb 25, 2009 8:20 am ((PST))

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9143. Re: Remote operation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-27 01:56:25 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9141 Message: 9143

YI9DXX or W7DXX had a successful operation out of Iraq via remote.

You can get his details from QRZ.com.

GL, 73, Lance - VK6DU (who still needs Desecheo on RTTY).

9144. [425ENG] 425 DX News #930

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-02-27 16:53:51 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9144 Message: 9144

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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5N - Bodo, DL3OCH (KT3Q) will be working in Nigeria from 5 March until 24 July. He plans to operate EME and on the HF bands (160 metres included) probably as 5N/KT3Q. Hopefully he will also go and operate from IOTA group AF-076. QSL via DL3OCH. [TNX The Daily DX]
C6 - Harry, W6DXO will be active as W6DXO/C6A from South Andros Island (NA-001), Bahamas on 1-7 March. It will be a part time holiday style operation with a focus on 12, 17 and 30 metres. QSL via KF6JOQ. [TNX NG3K]
DU - Ed/4F1OZ, Roland/DU1KGJ, Jairus/DV1ERS and Frank/VE7DP plan to be active from Cujo Island (OC-120) from 4 UTC on 6 March to 2 UTC on the 9th. They will operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. Callsign and QSL route TBA. [TNX VE7DP]
FP - Eric, KV1J will be active again as FP/KV1J from Miquelon Island (NA-032) on 4-9 March. He plans to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-6 metres, and to participate in the ARRL SSB DX Contest (SOAB). QSL via KV1J, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to LoTW. The webpage for the activity is at www.kv1j.com/fp/March09.html
FR - Stephane, F5UOW will be active holiday style as FR/F5UOW from Boucan Canot, Reunion Island (AF-016) on 8-22 March. He will operate mainly CW on 20 metres. [TNX F6AJA]
JA - Ken, JS3OMH has been active as JS3OMH/6 from the Tokara Islands (AS-049) since 25 February. He first operated from Takara Island and has now moved to Kodakara island until 28 February. He is QRV during his spare time on 40 metres CW and SSB and on AO-51 FM Satellite. QSL via bureau. [TNX JR3TVH]
J7 - John, G3LZQ will be active holiday style as J79WR from Dominica (NA-101) between 5 and 25 March. He plans to concentrate on 160 and 80 metres, and to participate in the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest on 14-15 March. QSL via G3LZQ. [TNX The Daily DX]
KG4 - Dan, W0CN (KG4CN)has had to postpone his trip to Guantanamo Bay [425DXN 929]. The new dates are 10-20 April (to be confirmed).
PY0F - Bill, W9VA and Jim, K9PPY will be active as PS0F from Fernando de

Noronha (SA-003) on 3-19 March, including a M/S entry in the ARRL
DX SSB Contest. A special e-mail address (ps0f@...) has been
set up; they will monitor it before/during their stay and will
consider email input in planning their operating schedule. QSL via
W9VA. [TNX QRZ-DX]
TT - Frank, F4BQO will be active again as TT8CF from Chad from 27
February to 1 July. He plans to operate CW and SSB on the HF
bands. QSL direct to F4BQO. [TNX F8REF]
V6 - Mike, KM9D (V63MY) and Jan, KF4TUG (V63TO) have left Nukuoro
(OC-259) and are now lying to anchor at Touhou Island,
Kapingamarangi Atoll (OC-163).
V8 - Special event station V85NBD25 is active until 12 UTC on 10 March
to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Brunei as an independent and
sovereign nation. Information on the relevant award can be found
on the Brunei Darussalam Amateur Radio Association's website
(http://www.bdara.net/). QSL via qrz.com [TNX The Daily DX]
V8 - Kanzi Takemasa, JA4ENL will be active as V85NL from Brunei on 6-9
March. He expects to operate mostly CW on all bands. [TNX K1XN]
VK - John, VK6HZ (VK6ARI) will be active holiday style from Rottnest
Island (OC-164) between 3 and 9 March. QSL via VK6NE. A logsearch
will ve available at http://www.vk6hz.com [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
VP8 - John, G3VPW will be QRV as VP8KF from the Falkland Islands
(SA-002) on 5-31 March. He will be staying with the McLeods
(VP8LP/VP8AIB); the first two weeks he will be working at the
Stanley Ionospheric Observatory, the further ten days are for
"some DXing". He plans to operate CW and SSB on 10, 20, 15, 40 and
80 metres, with a focus on the contests (ARRL DX SSB, RSGB
Commonwealth, CQ WW WPX SSB). QSL via home call. [TNX G3VPW]
XE - Bernardo, XE2HWB will be active as XE2HWB/XF1 from Isla Magdalena
(NA-078) on 28 February and 1 March. He will operate QRP on +/-
14260 and 50120 kHz. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
YN - Jeff, N1SNB will be active from Nicaragua on 5-9 March. He hopes
to sign YN2NB during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (SOAB) and H7/N1SNB
outside the contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
YV0 - The YW0A DXpedition to Aves Island (NA-020) [425DXN 925] is still
scheduled to take place in March. The team is waiting for the
Venezuelan Navy to give the actual dates. Bookmark
http://yw0a.4m5dx.info for updates. [TNX IT9DAA]
ZF - Bob, K3UL will be active holiday style as ZF2UL from the Cayman
Islands (NA-016) between 27 February and 7 March. He will operate
mainly CW, with a focus on 160, 80 and 30 metres. QSL via home
call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

CQ WW 160-METER DX CONTEST (SSB) ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs
around the world to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries
as possible on 160 metres SSB (rules at http://cq160.com/rules.htm). The
following stations have announced their partecipation in this year's event
(from 22.00 UTC on 27 February through 22.00 UTC on 1 March):
Call DXCC QSL via

4L0G Georgia qrz.com
C6ANM Bahamas WA2IYO
KP2M US Virgin Islands AI4U
P40A Aruba WD9DZV
RW2F Kaliningrad DK4VW
UU7J Ukraine UU0JM
XE1RCS Mexico qrz.com
ZF2AM Cayman Isls K6AM
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160s2009.html - good contest to you all!

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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BEAM HEADINGS ---> The North Jersey DX Association is provides personalized beam headings centered on your location to every entity on the DXCC list. The Beam Headings page can be found on the redesigned NJDXA website at http://njdxa.org/dx-tools/beam-headings.php [TNX W2DEC]

K5D ---> On 25 February the team began to scale down the operation and prepare for leaving the island, with three stations remaining QRV until local dawn on departure day. K5D went QRT at around 09.40 UTC on 26 February, after 115,728 QSOs (contact number 100,000 was made at 04.14 UTC on the 24th.) The Online QSL Request System (OQRS) has been activated, and now you are able to request your QSLs one of four ways: OQRS Direct, OQRS Bureau, direct mail to N2OO, or via bureau to N2OO.
A fourth interview with Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, expedition co-leader,can be found on the Documentary Archive's Desecheo special web page (www.dokufunk.org/desecheo). The interview was given via satphone to Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC on 23 February.

QSL 4L5O ---> Beginning with 2009, the new QSL route for Omari, 4L5O is via N3SL. Omari was very active into 2000, when he took leave of radio for family obligations. N3SL does not have access to any logs prior to 1 January 2009, but current logs are in hand (log search at http://www.qsl.net/n3sl/manager.htm) and cards are on the way from the printer. [TNX N3SL]

QSL EA8BWW ---> Buzz, NI5DX is the new QSL manager for Damian, EA8BWW. Once logs are transferred, Buzz will be able to confirm all contacts made with EA8BWW. QSL cards will be ordered, so expect a delay of 6 weeks or more to receive your EA8BWW card. [TNX K1XN]

QSL NA-059 ---> Tim Tillman, NL8F (previous callsign NO7F/KL7) is the only full time resident amateur radio operator active from Dutch Harbor, Unalaska Island in the rare NA-059 IOTA group. QSL via K8NA (Theodore Pauck Jr, 2820 Lenox Drive, Troy, MI 48098, USA). [TNX K8NA]

QSL TG9/IV3IYH ---> All direct and e-mail QSL requests for TG9/IV3IYH received as of 27 February have been answered and logs are uploaded on LoTW. Bureau QSL cards can be requested via email to IK2ILH (ik2ilh@...), including the QSO details. Please do not send your card when requesting a QSL via email. [TNX IV3IYH]

QSL VE1OTA ---> This callsign is used by Dana, VE1VOX when operating from an IOTA qualifier. The new QSL route for contacts made after January 2009 is via VE3EXY (direct or bureau). Cards for contacts made before January 2009 still go to VE1VOX. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3D2HC DL9HCU HD2A EA5KB [c] PJ2T N9AG
3V8SS IZ8CCW HD2A N3ZBK [b] PP5EG K3IRV
4F4PA VE7DP HE8ICE HB9BHY PS6T PY6KY
4L4WW EA7FTR HG3M HA3MY PX200JMU PY6KW
4L6QC LZ1OT HG6N HA6KNB PX6B PT2OP
4M4C YV4GLD HG7T HA7TM PX6T PT2OP
4U1UN HB9BOU HI3TEJ ON4IQ PY2VA I8LWL
5B/G4MKP M0URX HI8LAM EA5NI R1ANB RN1ON
5B8AD W3HNK HL5/VK6DXI DS5UCP R1ASP RA1AD
5C5W EA5XX HP3DX W4WX RU0LL IK2DUW
5D0IPY I0YKN HP3TA KG6UH RW0CWA RW0CF
5N9EAM/2 IK2IQD HQ9R K5WW RW2F DK4VW
5Z4KI YO9AFH IA0IPY I0YKN S50IPY S51RU
6V7O ON4BAG II1CQD/7 I1SAF S79JF DL7JAN
6V7P ON4HIL II2ANT I2JJR SN2K SP2YWL
6Y1LZ K1LZ II2CV IW2HAJ SN3A SP3GEM
7J1AAI W1NN II2EFA IW2MNO SN3O SP3WVC
7Q7AH G0IAS II2V IK2AQZ SN3R SP6HEQ
7Q7HB G0IAS II5AM IK2IWU SN5G SP5KCR
8P0P 8P9NX II5ANT IZ5BTC SN6Z SP6RZ
8P9FW W2XYZ IO4T IZ4JMA SN8W SP8GWI
8P9KP W2KQ IP9IPY IT9YMM SO4M SP4MPG
8P9MD WR2DX IR0IPY IZ0HTW SO8A SP8YB
8Q7FM M0BBB IR1ANT I1HYW SV0XBM/9 W3HNK
9A3B 9A1AA IR1WAP IZ1GJK SX2CM SV2GWY
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9A8M 9A3JB IR2WAP IK2FIQ T27A W7YAQ
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9146. ARLP009 Propagation de K7RA

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>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 27, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP009 Propagation de K7RA

Excitement mounted a few days ago when new Cycle-24 sunspot 1013 emerged, but two days later it was fading away, similar to other recent sunspot appearances. The sunspot number for February 24-26 was 12, 14 and 12. Today's number will likely be 0.

In a few weeks is the Vernal Equinox -- the first day of Spring in the Northern Hemisphere -- on March 20, 2009 at 1144z. Areas north and south of the equator will be bathed in an equal amount of Sun, and this is always a good time for HF propagation.

Using one of the popular propagation programs to predict a path from California to Australia using an average sunspot number of 12, on 15 meters on January 20, there was a good chance of an opening from 2130-0100z, with an excellent chance within that period, at 2330-0030z. On March 20 using the same numbers, the chances of propagation look excellent from 2200-0230z, with the band perhaps opening at 2130z and shutting down at 0330z. This gives us an illustration of propagation changing with the season.

Another example would be Dallas to Brazil. On January 20 on 20 meters the band would probably be open from 1800-2300z, with signals gradually increasing about 12 dB over that period. On March 20 a likely 20 meter opening would be from 1830-0230z, with signals increasing 16 dB over that period, and rising faster as well.

Geomagnetic activity has been very quiet for a long time now, and this is expected to continue. NOAA and the U.S. Air Force predict a planetary A index of 5 over the next two weeks, with minor exceptions. On March 3 the A index may rise to 8. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions February 28 through March 2, quiet to unsettled March 3-4, then back to quiet on March 5.

The predicted quiet conditions should be good for the CQ 160-Meter SSB DX Contest this weekend.

Mike Schaffer, KA4JAW lives in West Central Florida, and enjoys observing sporadic-E propagation on broadcast television. His local Channel 2 station, WEDU, ceased analog transmissions recently, eliminating co-channel interference with Channel 3. On Sunday, February 22 just after 2300z Mike noticed a wrestling match on Channel 3, and shortly after a logo appeared for TGV, a broadcaster in Guatemala City (see http://www.canal3.com.gt/). The station is over 1,000 miles away.

Joaquin Montoya, EA2CCG in Spain reported good conditions over the past few days during the brief sunspot appearance. On February 25, 2100-2130z he worked a number of states in the Western United States including one in Montana while he was mobile on 20 meters. He could hear K5D, and earlier that day he worked K5D on 17 meters and 6V7P in Senegal as well.

An Alaskan newspaper this week ran a story about subdued aurora due to low solar activity. See it at, http://www.adn.com/news/alaska/interior/story/700194.html and note their confusing comment about the Sun having an 11 year positive cycle following an 11 year negative cycle. Perhaps they refer to the switch in magnetic polarity in individual sunspots.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for February 19 through 25 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 12, and 14 with a mean of 3.7. 10.7 cm flux was 68.9, 69.2, 70.6, 70.3, 70.8, 71, and 70.7 with a mean of 70.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 3, 3, 3, 5, 6 and 3 with a mean of 3.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 3, 2, 3, 3, 6 and 2 with a mean of 2.7.
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9147. Strange behaviour ??

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Topic: 9147 Message: 9147

Wonder what is up with YL3FT? Supposedly in the UBA contest can
calls CQ TEST incessantly, but won't answer anyone. Gonna be hard to
get points that way! :-)

14017.8 YL3FT 28-Feb-2009 1426Z NO RX?? <9A5X>
14018.0 YL3FT 28-Feb-2009 1438Z Recording? No OP? <VE1DX>
14017.8 YL3FT 28-Feb-2009 1439Z NO RX?? <UA6GM>
14018.0 YL3FT 28-Feb-2009 1440Z coffee break? <K3VA>

Perhaps he has a high noise level or the like.

73, Paul VE1DX

9148. Re: [DX-IS] Strange behaviour ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
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From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9147 Message: 9148

>>Wonder what is up with YL3FT? Supposedly in the UBA contest can
>>calls CQ TEST incessantly, but won't answer anyone. Gonna be hard to
>>get points that way! :-)

>Perhaps he has a high noise level or the like.

Could be a two-radio operator who keeps one frequency warm with
CQs while working the other band? Or while he visits the bathroom.
I hear this quite a lot when I suspect people are SO2R. I have
enough trouble with one band, thanks.

Derek
aa5bt

9149. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #897.3

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Concept of Deleted Entities Reinstated
Feb 27, 2009 11:28 ET

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Manager, reports the following:

In 2000, DXCC program rules were modified substantially in an effort to create simplified and stronger rules that would help make DXCC work well in the 21st century while tightening the DXCC List Criteria. At the same time the DXCC Challenge Award/competition was created as part of the modernization effort. The Challenge is intended to allow for an energetic new pursuit in DXing that focuses on statistics based upon only current entities on the List. The Challenge has been highly successful.

Another change resulting from this rules modernization was a subtle change from "deleting entities" to "removing entities." The intent of this change was to no longer allow the addition of deleted entities to the Deleted Entity List. In the subsequent years since DXCC 2000 there have been few issues with this concept and resultant little attention given to the realities of the ideological change. Recently, however, since the rollout of Logbook of the World (LoTW) and various political changes internationally, it has become evident that the program should return the concept of deleting entities for mostly administrative reasons. "Removing" an entity from the DXCC system is non-trivial if not impossible. Also, the success of the DXCC Challenge and the DXCC Honor Roll have made a great game better by providing a playing field that isn't heavily biased by age.

It seems that the concept of a "deleted" entity -- one that is marked as deleted and not applicable to Honor Roll or Challenge but that still exists in the records -- is an elegant solution to the problem of changes in entity status. Distinguishing entities that are no longer extant makes

sense as a means of leveling the playing field for younger participants in DXCC, but to wipe out someone's past accomplishments altogether just seems too drastic.

At its last meeting the ARRL Programs and Services Committee decided that administratively the concept of deleted entities should be returned to the DXCC program. Necessary changes to Section II, DXCC List Criteria have been made to the rules and part 5 is renamed Deletion Criteria. The concepts for deleting an entity do not change. If an entity is deleted it will be added to the Deleted Entities List and the statistical records for DXCC participants will be adjusted accordingly, just as they had been in the years prior to 2000. The numbers shown in the individual DXCC records lists have always included the Deleted Entities. No DXCC participant needs to take any action at all.

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9150. P42J 1985 QSL Route

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 05:42:13 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9150 Message: 9150

Does anyone know who the QSL Manager was for P42J for

the 1985 operation ?

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

9151. Re: [DX-IS] P42J 1985 QSL Route

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 06:14:56 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9150 Message: 9151

Ahhhhhhh - the virtues of DXKeeper. Enter call - one listing comes up. Worked P42J in a contest in March of 1982. Perhaps he still had the same QSL manager in 1985 (or was the same person). Qsl'd to W1BIH Which could've been his home call - dunno. W1BIH is listed in Buck and QRZed.

gl es 73 de Rene WB6PSY
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Saturday, February 28, 2009 9:42 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] P42J 1985 QSL Route

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9152. [425ENG] The topbands of March

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 06:24:11 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9152 Message: 9152

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Below the first 25 positions of thr topbands
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPBANDS
01/03/2009
NR CALL 10 12 15 17 20 30 40 80 160 Tot Date

1 OK1RD 336 334 338 336 338 336 337 337 330 3022 28/02/2009
2 W4DR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 335 310 2989 19/06/2008
3 K2TQC 334 335 338 337 338 335 337 335 299 2988 08/04/2008
4 N4WW 335 329 338 335 337 334 337 334 304 2983 17/05/2008
5 W9ZR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 334 298 2976 17/11/2008
6 OH2BU 334 329 338 337 338 336 337 333 294 2976 15/02/2009
7 HA0DU 330 330 338 335 338 333 335 330 300 2969 03/01/2009
8 EA8AK 334 331 336 331 337 333 334 330 302 2968 17/03/2008
9 OM3EY 333 330 338 336 337 331 337 331 294 2967 28/04/2008
10 K5UR 334 320 338 332 338 332 336 332 301 2963 07/02/2009
11 OH3SR 334 332 338 337 338 334 337 331 279 2960 09/12/2008
12 I4EAT 330 329 338 335 337 331 337 332 290 2959 28/02/2009
13 OH1XX 334 330 336 333 337 331 334 329 291 2955 23/08/2006
14 OZ3PZ 330 330 337 337 338 335 337 324 285 2953 21/02/2009
15 SP5EWY 330 327 338 336 337 332 335 326 290 2951 25/06/2008
16 W1JR 331 327 335 334 338 331 335 328 286 2945 18/02/2009
17 W7UT 332 328 337 334 338 331 336 327 280 2943 21/02/2008
18 W3UR 332 320 336 336 338 333 333 327 287 2942 01/01/2009
19 UA0MF 334 327 338 332 338 330 334 328 278 2939 23/06/2008
20 SM0AJU 331 329 336 335 338 331 336 324 278 2938 24/02/2008
21 OZ8ABE 328 327 337 337 337 336 333 318 281 2934 25/02/2009
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23 HA8BE 326 325 336 330 336 330 327 322 291 2923 03/01/2008
24 G3KMA 333 328 337 335 337 334 335 307 275 2921 01/10/2008
25 ON7GB 328 330 337 337 338 335 335 311 270 2921 04/02/2009

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9153. DXCC Rules Question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 13:00:52 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9153 Message: 9153

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In 1999, the lease on Hong Kong expired and the Chinese took possession from Great Britain.

Why is Hong Kong still an entity and Tibet is not?

If Gibraltar were "returned" to Spain, would ZB2 remain on the list?

Not trying to be contentious - just curious.

Art - N4PJ

9154. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC Rules Question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 14:14:59 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9153 Message: 9154

At 09:00 AM 3/1/2009, you wrote:
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Hi Art,

I also read that release and couldn't make a lot of sense out of it. I *think* what it is trying to say is that deleted countries from 2000 onward (have there been any?), under the 2000 rule change, would be deleted immediately and forever. Prior to that, if you had then worked you got credit (sort of.) You could have 338/360 which meant you had 22 deleted countries worked.

My understanding of the intent of that rule change in 2000 was, through attrition, to eventually make the highest possible total the same for everyone. This would level the playing field. It had merit, because you or I never could work Tibet, but those active before 1974 probably had it. This argument for and against rewarding longevity and working everything that moved had been an issue forever.

What I took away from NC1L's announcement was that they were putting it back the way it was before 2000, and I really can't understand why. It appears it may be too hard to administer DXCC totals and awards if they are permanently deleted. That is what I took away from it, but I'm not really sure if I interpreted the message correctly. Maybe someone else got more out of it.

73, Paul VE1DX

9155. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC Rules Question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 14:58:33 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9153 Message: 9155

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Hong Kong is a different story due to administrative nuance -- VR2 is seen, politically around the world, as something different from a Chinese province. I don't pretend to have any idea of the political implications. So Hong Kong stays on the DXCC list and Tibet does not.

If ZB2 ceased to be a British protectorate, it would become a "deleted country/entity" if it were incorporated by Spain.

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This is my view of the announcement, but like Paul, I could be wrong.

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Al, VE1AL
DXCC 337/353

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art Burke
Sent: Sunday, March 01, 2009 9:01 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC Rules Question

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Yahoo! Groups Links

9156. Last Deletion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 15:20:18 UTC
From: Tim / NOØC
Topic: 9156 Message: 9156

The last "deleted" entity was Southern Sudan on 1 Jan 1995.

12 additions since that date.

Tim, NOØC

9157. New DXCC Rules

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 16:22:04 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9157 Message: 9157

I read and re-read that blurb and I came up with the thought that
too many of us old Buzzards complained about losing "counters".
Some bright MBA did an analysis and concluded that the problem will
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But on the bright side, thanks to the Vanity Call Program, my call will
live on forever. Probably snatched up by some snot-nosed kid who
will sit in the pile-ups, banging away at his CW Computer Keyboard
wondering why the DX never answers. Seems his Wheaties Boxtop
Ticket never explained the term "split".

That's enough bile for a Sunday morning, time to go listen to that
fancy white noise receiver I have.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9158. RE: [DX-IS] Last Deletion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 17:04:10 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9156 Message: 9158

Where do I find a list of those "deleted since Jan. 1, 1995," Tim? I probably have all of them but off the top of my head I can't remember all of them.

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Tim / NOØC
Sent: Sunday, March 01, 2009 11:20 AM
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9159. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC Rules

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 17:14:15 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9157 Message: 9159

Hopefully some DXer/contester or one to be ends up with my call some day.

I was told by one of my Elmers that this call was originally held by someone who died at Pearl Harbor. Then a ham in Lansing, IL held it for a number of years. I got it in 1976.

Maybe I was just slightly more than a "snot-nosed kid" of 24 when I got this call, but I was a decent CW op with 9 years of experience at that time.

73, Zack W9SZ

P.S. Dick, we must be distant cousins, both ending in SZ.
:-)

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9160. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC Rules Question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 17:26:13 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9153 Message: 9160

I think you're right about Tibet, Hong Kong and Gibraltar, Al.

I've worked a few deleted countries - back in the old days, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Okinawa; more recently, Walvis Bay, Penguin Islands, South Sudan. Never got to work Baja Nuevo or Serrana Bank in the old days but worked the recent DXpedition, which only counts as sentimental value since I heard but didn't work them way back when.

I worked Andy G3AB the other night as ZC4VJ on 40 CW. I think that's a semi-rare one. If the UK ever closes its base there, it will probably become another deleted one.

73, Zack W9SZ

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9161. Re: [DX-IS] Last Deletion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 18:15:33 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9156 Message: 9161

Here's a list of deleted countries and dates:
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----- Original Message -----
From: Tim / NOØC
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, March 01, 2009 7:20 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Last Deletion

The last "deleted" entity was Southern Sudan on 1 Jan 1995.

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Tim, NOØC

9162. Re: [DX-IS] Last Deletion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 18:26:37 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9156 Message: 9162

I forgot about KZ5. I worked that one too.

One of the local hams here, Flip W9FIU, was on a KS4 Swan Island DXpedition.
He had some great stories about it.

Is anyone active from San Andres now? I used to work HK0VGJ all the time
and haven't heard him on the air in ages.

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9163. Additions/Deletions since 1-1-86

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 18:52:02 UTC
From: Tim / NOØC
Topic: 9163 Message: 9163

Al asked me to post this.

NOØC

PREFIX
DXCC ENTITY
DATE
TOTAL

FJ
St. Barthelemy
2007-12-14
338

KH8
Swain's Island
2006-07-22
337

4O3
Montenegro
2006-06-28
336

VP6/D
Ducie Is.
2001-11-16
335

FK/C
Chesterfield Is.
2000-03-23
334

4W
Timor - Leste
2000-01-01
333

E4
Palestine
1999-02-01
332

H40
Temotu Province
1998-04-01

331

FO/A
Austral Is.
1998-04-01
330

FO/M
Marquesas Is.
1998-04-01
329

P5
North Korea
1995-05-14
328

BS7
Scarborough Reef
1995-01-01
327

ST0
Southern Sudan
1995-01-01
326

ZS0, 1
Penquin Is.
1994-03-01
327

ZS9
Walvis Bay
1994-03-01
328

BV9P
Pratas Is.
1994-01-01
329

OK-OL
Czech Republic
1993-01-01
328

OM
Slovak Republic
1993-01-01
327

OK, OM
Czechoslovakia
1993-01-01
326

T9
Bosnia-Herzegovina
1991-10-15
327

Z3
Macedonia
1991-09-08
326

9A
Croatia
1991-06-26
325

S5
Slovenia
1991-06-26
324

E3
Eritrea
1991-05-24
323

DM, Y2-9
East Germany
1990-10-03
322

7O
Yemen
1990-05-22
323

P4
Aruba
1986-01-01
322

9164. EA9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 19:24:42 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9164 Message: 9164

20 (EA9) Only contacts made May 13, 1969, and before, count for this entity

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Dale K8TS

9165. Re: [DX-IS] EA9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 19:40:04 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9164 Message: 9165

At 03:24 PM 3/1/2009, Dale Cole K8TS wrote:

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Yes and yes! The EA9 you see above is Ifni. Ifni was a
Spanish province on the Atlantic coast of Morocco, south of Agadir
and across from the Canary Islands. It was given back to Morocco in
1969. (And thus ceased to exist as a DXCC country.)

The current EA9 is Ceuta & Melilla, which are two Spanish
autonomous cities across the straight of Gibraltar and meet (or met
when they were added) the DXCC criteria.

73, Paul VE1DX

9166. Re: [DX-IS] Last Deletion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 19:49:12 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9156 Message: 9166

I was wondering if any of the locals on San Andres were there. Francisco (Pancho) HK0BKX passed away a number of years ago and I think HK0AI did also.

Swan Island was home of Radio Swan, later Radio Americas, a CIA-run station broadcasting anti-Communist programming to Cuba on 1160 and 6000 kHz until around 1968. I imagine that they kept the drug/pirate operation (I mean REAL pirates, not radio pirates) down until the station was abandoned.

73, Zack W9SZ

On 3/1/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>
> Not that I know, Zack. HK0/EA7HEJ has been on for a couple of weeks but
> I haven't heard any one of the residents for a very long time. I can just
> imagine the stories about Swan -- must've been (is) a great center for drug
> traffic, just like Navassa and Desecheo and all the other Caribbean islands.
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> 73 (again)
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9167. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #898

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 20:10:10 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9167 Message: 9167

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.898
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 898

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd/February, through Sunday, 1st/March there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, KP5, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2009 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION. The 2009 International DX Convention in Visalia, California, will be held April 17-19th. This is the 60th anniversary of this event which promises to be even more special this year than it has been in previous years. Special attractions this year include:
* Contest Academy by the Northern California Contest Club

* Radio Arcala Project with OH2BH & OH8NC
* Special Guest and Banquet Speaker: The Hon. J. Scott Redd (K0DQ),
Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy (ret)
* Breakfast Program: Desecheo, KP5 DX-Pedition
For complete program information, see: http://www.dxconvention.org
Hurry!! Special Pre-registration Price Ends March 20, 2009!!

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB from March 21st for one week. He will sign 2M1EUB and be active on all the satellites from northeast Scotland. Also, look for him on 160 and 80 meters. Checkout QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

5N, NIGERIA (EME and Possible IOTA Op). Bodo, DL3OCH, who was recently active as KT3Q/4 from Key Biscayne Island [NA-141] in December, will be working from here between March 5th and July 24th. Activity will be on all HF bands (160-10 meters) plus some operations on EME. His expected callsign will probably be 5N/KT3Q. There is mention that he may also activate the Bayelsa/Rivers/Akwa Ibom etc States IOTA Group (AF-076). QSL via DL3OCH.

9M8, EAST MALAYIA. Steve, 9M6DXX, will operate as 9M8Z from Sarawak (OC-088), March 26-29th. Activity will include the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Operator/Unassisted/All-Band/High-Power entry. Outside the contest look for him to be on 40 meters SSB using a 3 element Yagi. QSL via M0URX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. PLEASE NOTE: QSL Manager Tim, M0URX, states, "This week 180 QSL cards have been posted by air mail from recent activities. Logs have also been uploaded to LoTW."

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Kuniyoshi/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Yoshiki/KH0UA and Satoshi/N2QP will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via 7L1FPU.

BACK TO AFRICA. Tim, M0URX, reports that John, 9M6XRO, is planning once again to be in Southern Africa this year. An E-mail by John explains (edited): "I can now confirm my Africa trip dates. I arrive in Johannesburg via Kuala Lumpur and Doha on July 25th, 3 days earlier than planned. I can then help Daniel, ZS6JR, load up and move all the gear to Lesotho (7P) and get the antennas and equipment set-up before the others arrive in Lesotho on the 29th. I hope to put ZS6/GM3OOK on the air for a bit en route possibly from the 25th evening. Daniel has not yet confirmed the date we will drive to Lesotho. Looks like I will also have the option of operating from Swaziland again as 3DA0OK, but the duration and dates will depend on the logistics of the whole operation as everyone is due back in Johannesburg on August 13th. I will keep you updated on that part of the itinerary. My flight back to Borneo leaves on August 14th, once again via Doha. QSL via M0URX."

C5, THE GAMBIA. Stewart, GW0ETF, is on holiday here for 2 weeks as of February 23rd. He is expected to be active (possibly as C56/GW0ETF). No QSNs reported as this was being typed. He planned on taking his K3 for some casual operating, probably CW only, but possibly some RTTY and

mainly 20 meters. QSL via GW0ETF direct only. NO BUREAU cards, but he will accept E-mail requests for Bureau QSL. His E-mail address is: gw0etf@...

CN, MOROCCO. Hartwig, DL7BC, will be active as CN2BC during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL7BC.

EI, NORTHERN IRELAND (30m Digital). Daithi, GI7OMY, informs that EI stations will be permitted to commence operating on Digital modes on 30 meters starting March 29th. He plans to activate the club callsign MI0EPC for European Phase Shift Keying Club (EPC) on that day on 10140 kHz. QSL via GI7OMY.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Remember, Eric, KV1J, will once again be active as FP/KV1J from Miquelon (NA-032) between March 4-9th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will also be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th, 2009) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Antennas will be a N1IW off-centered fed dipole (80-10m), SteppIR vertical (40-10m) and a PAR-6 Moxon for 6m. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Also, LoTW or eQSL. Visit his Web page at: http://www.kv1j.com/fp/March09.html

GJ, JERSEY (EU-013). Dez, G0DEZ, will be active as GJ3WW during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. This will be a holiday style operation. QSL via LoTW or direct to G0DEZ.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-048. Operators Christophe/F5UBH, Juan/F5IRC and Karim/F4CTJ will be active as TM2HC from Hoedic Island (DIFM AT 017, DIM O25, WLOTA 0851 and DFCF 56-033), March 13-15th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via F5IRC, direct (w/SAE and postage) or via the French REF-Union Bureau.

EU-059. (UPDATE) Col, MM0NDX, will be active as GM5A and MM0NDX/P from St. Kilda, Scotland, between July 24-27th. This will be a family holiday-style operation from the campsite in Village Bay. St. Kilda is one of only two-dozen global locations to be awarded "World Heritage Status" for both natural and cultural significance. Col will participate in the 2009 RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as GM5A. Outside of the contest he will sign MM0NDX/P and possibly be active on 80 and 40 meters. QSL GM5A via GM4FDM and MM0NDX/P via M0URX. A Web site is now active for this activity at: http://eu059.wordpress.com/

NA-046. Members of the Fall River Amateur Radio Club and Team HAMCOW will be active during the New England QSO Party (May 2-3rd) as W1ACT/p from Martha's Vineyard (USI MA-005S, WLOTA LH-2804). Suggested frequencies are: 3540, 7040, 14040 and 14280 kHz. QSL via N1JOY: Roland Daignault, 19 Davis Rd, Westport, MA 02790-3433. For more information, please visit: http://hamcow.net

NA-141. (Special Event) Members of the Jupiter Tequesta Repeater Group, West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Club and Palms West Amateur Radio Society are planning to activate W4K to celebrate John F. Kennedy's birthday from Peanut Island (USI FL-479, Palm Beach County, FL), May 29-30th, in 2010. Reports indicate it is from "JFK's old Cuban missile crisis bunker". Activity will be focused on HF (mainly 40/20m), 6 and 2 meters using CW and SSB. Cards are presently being designed for the event. This will be the first time Peanut Island will be activated. More information should be forthcoming.

NA-186. (UPDATE to OPDX.897) Cezar, VE3LYC, is planning a DXpedition to one of the most wanted IOTAs in the world called Fox Island. Cezar states, "This IOTA group has only been activated very briefly 16 years ago and being in demand by 97% of the IOTA members sits at #1 on the Most Wanted NA-IOTA List. He announced this past week that the callsign to be used for the DXpedition will be VY0A and has been approved by Industry Canada. He will be traveling to the island between March 31st and April 3rd. Cezar will use an IC-7000 (100w) and a multi-band vertical antenna, focusing on 20/30/40 meters, CW and SSB. Look for updates to appear on QRZ.com at: http://www.qrz.com/db/VY0A Cezar is looking for support. Costs associated with this operation are considerable, and both group and individual support are sought. To support this operation, please contact Cezar at: ve3lyc@...

J6, ST. LUCIA (NA-108). Just a reminder that John, W5JON, will be active as J6/W5JON from Marigot Bay between March 1-11th (2009). Activity will be on 160-6 meters SSB using dipoles and 6m yagi. Also, look for activity in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th, 2009). QSL via W5JON.

J7, DOMINICA (NA-101). John, G3LZQ, will be active as J79WR between March 5-25th. Activity will be holiday style, but he plans to concentrate on 160 and 80 meters, and participate in the upcoming Commonwealth (BERU) Contest (March 14-15th). QSL via G3LZQ.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (Change Of Plans). Dan, W0CN, informs OPDX that there is a delay in his work assignment at Gitmo -- now tentatively he is planning for April 10-20th for his KG4CN from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (GITMO, IOTA NA-015, Grid FK29). Activity will be on 160-10 meters, mostly SSB and some CW. PLEASE NOTE: There will be no RTTY. QSL to W0CN (LoTW/direct/ Zero-Bureau).

K5D DESECHEO ISLAND DXPEDITION NOW QRT (Update). The K5D Desecheo Island DXpedition is now QRT and in the history books. Their Web states, "Every one of our goals was exceeded; most significantly, the number of QSOs." The total QSO count was 115,728! On their Web page the status of K5D log states that the last QSO was "26-Feb-2009 at 09:39:00" and the following statistics are (without Satellite QSOs):

Band	SSB	CW	RTTY	Total

6M 17 79 * 96
10M 163 64 2 230
12M 641 265 1 907
15M 6132 4176 443 10751
17M 12969 7191 1343 21503
20M 15702 9592 1728 27022
30M * 13452 2204 15656
40M 6791 8467 868 16126
80M 7419 8800 * 16219
160M 1984 5231 * 7215

Mode Total 51819 57317 6589 115725

In addition to the normal methods of QSLing K5D, they now are offering an Online QSL Request System (OQRS). You can request your K5D QSL one of four ways: * OQRS DIRECT <http://df3cb.com/k5d/oqrs.php> (5 USDs minimum) * OQRS BUREAU <http://df3cb.com/k5d/oqrs.php> (No Charge) * DIRECT MAIL WITH .44 cent w/SASE/$$$/IRC(S) -- PLEASE remember U.S. postage is going up in May. * VIA NORMAL INCOMING BUREAU The K5D log will be uploaded to LoTW in early 2010. For complete details about the OQRS, please click on the links above. Direct QSLs are via N2OO: K5D QSL Manager, Bob Schenck, P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton NJ 08087 USA. Remember for complete details/updates/logs/pictures, visit the KP5 Web page at: http://www.kp5.us

LT9, ARGENTINA (Special Callsign). Members of the Corrientes Radio Club (LU4LG), Villa Angela Radio Club (LU4GO) and Chaco Radio Club (LU4GF) will activate the special callsign LT9L from "Esteros del Ibera", March 21-23rd. The place of operation is the Ibera Interpretation Center, located on the shores of Lake Luna, Colonia Pellegrini, Corrientes Province. Access to this location is from the City of Mercedes, from which it is separated on about 120 km of unpaved road. The Center has a showroom with illustrative material about the history, geography and biology of the park. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15 meters using CW, SSB, PSK, RTTY and SSTV. Operators mentioned are: Ricardo/LU4GL (CW), Raul/LU1JB/L (CW), Luis/LU4LC (SSB), Juan Carlos/LU9GDN (SSB), Ramon/LU7LC (Digital) and Nestor/LU4LE (Digital). QSL via EA5FL: JOSE MIGUEL ALCARAZ Moncho, PO Box 252, 03700 - Denia, Alicante, Spain.

MJ, JERSEY (Correction). Operators David/G3NKC, Dave/G4BUO, Martin/G4XUM and Phil/GJ4CBQ will be active as MJ4K (not MH4K) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via G3NKC.

NL8, ALASKA (Rare IOTA and USI). Tim Tillman is the only full time resident of Dutch Harbor, Alaska, Unalaska Island, (NA-059, USI AK005S, 3rd S. Central County) in the Fox Island Group and active on Amateur Radio. Tim's original callsign at NA-059 was NO7F/KL7, but he now has the callsign NL8F. NA-059 is a rare Island for IOTA, with only 26% of those participating in the IOTA award program having it confirmed. He can sometimes be heard on 40 meters (7095 kHz after 0745z). QSL via K8NA (QRZ.com address).

OE100, AUSTRIA (Special Event). Press release by Wolf, OE1WHC, from the Documentary Archive Radio Communication, states (edited): "The 'Radio Club of America' was established in January, 1909, and issued the first ham licences in April of that year. To celebrate 100 Years of Amateur Radio, the Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communication /QSL Collection, will activate, April 1-30th, a special event station with the callsign OE100M. OE100M is an official 'International Marconi Day' station. Contacts made on Saturday, April 25th, are valid for the IMD Award. QSL via the OE Bureau or direct to OE1WHC. Cards without SASE and IRC or green stamps to cover postage will be processed via Bureau." To see the QSL, download the file at: http://www.qsl.at/down/oe100m.tif

OM0, SLOVAK REPUBLIC. The rare "OM0" prefix will be activated during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March, 28-29th) on 160-10 meters by the OM0A Contest Group. Five operators and one YL will enter the contest as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are: Villiam/OM0AAO, Martin/OM4AAS, Mimi/OM4AQW (YL), Igor/OM6ACI, Peter/OM6PR and Stevo/OM7KW. QSL via OM0AAO.

PA750, THE NETHERLANDS. A group of radio amateurs in the Assen region will be on the air as PA750ASN during the following periods: March 1st and April 15th, and the month of June and September. Operations will be on all bands and modes. Activity is to celebrate the 750th anniversary of Assen city located in the northeastern part of the Netherlands. Also being celebrated is the 200th anniversary (March 13, 1809) of the city's rights granted by Louis Napoleon. A special QSL card will be available on request. QSL via PI4ASN, by the Dutch QSL Bureau or direct by QRZ.com address. NO E-QSL.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. It seems Bob, K4UEE, (and others) have not had enough DXing after their operation on Desecheo Island and are now heading toward Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) to organize a Multi-Multi contest effort as PJ2T in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th). Operators mentioned are (*Desecheo Team): *Bob/K4UEE, *Gregg/W6IZT, *George/N4GRN, Everett/WZ8P, David/K4SSU, Elmer/N4LR, Norman/WA4ZXV, Wayne/KU4V, Jim/W4TE, Don/N4HH, Mary/K1MMH, Harry/W4KJ, George/KI4DSO, Jim/ND4V, *Bill/N4NX, *Chaz/W4GKF and Geoff/W0CG. QSL PJ2T via N9AG or LoTW. Visit the CCC Web site at: http://www.pj2t.org

PS0, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Operators Bill/W9VA and Jim/K9PPY will be visiting Andre/PY0FF between March 3-10th. They are going there to be active as PS0F during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to W9VA. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and possibly some Digital modes. Bill tells OPDX that this is his 12th trip to PY0F -- his first trip was in 1988. ADDED NOTE: An E-mail address will be available with regards to suggestions to operating schedule and both ops will monitor messages at: ps0f@...

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
JS3OMH BIRD ACTIVITY. Were you lucky to work Ken/JS3OMH as JS3OMH/6 on AO-51 from a few of the Japanese islands (IOTA AS-049)? The islands

were TAKARA Island (February 24-26th) and KODAKARA Island (February 26-28th). QSL via the Bureau.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Buzz, NI5DX, has assumed the duties as QSL Manager for Damian, EA8BWW. Once logs are transferred, Buzz will be able to confirm all contacts made with EA8BWW. QSL cards will be ordered, so expect a delay of 6 weeks or more to receive your EA8BWW card.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Steve, N3SL, informs that he is now the QSL Manager for Omari, 4L5O, beginning as of 2009. Omari was very active up to 2000, until he took leave of radio for family obligations. Steve does not have access to any logs prior to Janury 1, 2009. Current logs are in hand, with a log search on QSL.NET or the N3SL Web page. Cards are on the way from UX5UO.

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Mamuka, 4L2M, reports that as of August 2008, UA9LP is no longer his QSL Manager for Russian stations. All Russian stations should use EA7FTR's QSL service.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 9L1AB, C6APG, EF8T, F5IN, FW8DX, HB9LCW, HQ9R, HV0A, NP2KW, R1FJT, RW0A, S21VJ, SK3GM, VK9DWX, VP2ETL, XU7AAV, YN2S and ZL7/SP9PT

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4L8A, 7Q7HB, 7Q7JL, CE1/K7CA, CE9/K2ARB, DS1REE, ER4DX, EY8MM, HB0/DK9FEC, HK3CQ, KP2/AE6XY, LY2ZZ, OA4BHY/2, S79NS, S79NS/p, TF3SG, UK9AA, V85TT, VK9DWX, VQ9LA and YB0AZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4X6HP/M, A52AM, C52C, CN2BC, CN4MC, CT3/DJ6QT, CT9L, EA5KB, EF5K, EG5Y, ER3R, EV7DP, EZ8CW, FJ/DJ2VO, HB2008EM, HB2008FS, HB2008LU, HB2008MH, HB2008OK, HB2008VC, JR7WAB, LZ08KM, MM/OQ9E/P, OE1KIDS, OE1MBB, OE2008A, OE2008C, OE2008M, OE2008MOU, OE2008PGQ, OE2008R, OE2008U, OE2008V, OE3WOB, OH0V, OX3XR, OY/DD5FZ, ST2R, SV5/DJ7RJ, TF4M, TM7RWC, TR8CA, UA2FW, UA2FX, UT4EK, VE3FJ, VP5/N1WON, VP8DLG, VU4AN and YK9SV

RW2, KALININGRAD. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as RW2F in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via DK4VW.

S2, BANGLADESH (Update/Reminder). Some members of the Korea DX Club will be active as S21KD from Dhaka in the People's Republic of Bangladesh between March 7-14th. Operators mentioned are: Kim/6K5YPW, Choi/HL5FUA, Kim/6K5YPW and Yoon/6K2AVL. They plan to operate on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB and the digital modes, using three amplifiers, verticals and beams. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1822/1824, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14015, 18075, 21015, 24895 and 28015
SSB - 3795, 7095, 14195, 18130, 21295, 24950 and 28460
Digi - 14082, 21082 and 28100 kHz
Their main purpose for the Bangladesh DXpediton is to provide enough chances to have a QSO with Bangladesh for all DXers who need it. They hope it will be a good chance for Asia and Europe stations to work them on all bands. Also, they will do their best to work both North and South

American stations within workable band conditions. QSLs are via HL5FUA. For more details, updates and their logs, please visit the following Web page at: http://dxpedition.co.kr

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, will be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via LX1NO.

TT8, CHAD. Franck, F4BQO, will once again be active as TT8CF between February 27th and July 1st. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct via F4BQO.

V2, ANTIGUA (NA-100). Just a reminder that Peter, G3TKK, will be active as V25TK between February 27th and March 12th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-17 meters using CW. QSL via G3TKK, direct or by the Bureau.

V2, ANTINGUA. Operators Norman/K1DG, John/K1QX and Martin/W1MD (V26F) will be active as V26F during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL V26F via W1MD.

V85, BRUNEI. Kanzi, JA4ENL, will once again be visiting Brunei from March 6-9th. He will be active as V85NL and operate on all bands (including 30/17/12m), especially on 80/40/20m and the top bands mostly on CW. QSL via JA4ENL, by the JARL Bureau or direct.

V88, BRUNEI (Special Event). Look for special event station V88NBD25 to be active until March 10th. Activity is to celebrate 25 years as an independent and sovereign nation. To mark this auspicious and historic occasion, the Brunei Darussalam Amateur Radio Association, the organizer of this special event station, launched a temporary Silver Jubilee Award which is available to all amateur radio stations worldwide and SWLs. For details, visit the Web page at: http://www.bdara.net/calendar_special.html Also, see details at: http://www.qrz.com/db/V88NBD25

VK7, AUSTRALIA. Chris, G0WFH, will be active as VK7ACG from Tasmania between October 19th and November 17th. He will operate from the QTH of his friend Roy, VK7ROY. Activity will be on all bands, but he plans to concentrate on the lower frequencies. Chris states that a new 60 foot mast will be erected at the QTH of VK7ROY supporting antennas for 160/80/40 meters. QSL via G0WFH, by the bureau or direct. eQSLs are accepted.

VP59, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Dave, W5CW, will once again be active as VP5/W5CW between March 24th and April 8th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (this will include 30/17/12m) CW/SSB. He will also be in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry using the special callsign VP59V. QSL direct ONLY via W5CW or via PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088.

VP8, FALKALAND ISLANDS (SA-002). John, G3VPW, will once again be active as VP8KF between March 5-31st. This is about John's seventh trip to the Falkland Islands. Activity may be limited at first because he will be working at the "Stanley Ionospheric Observatory" for two weeks. However, the last 10 days are set for some DXing. He is expected to stay with

Bob/VP8LP and Janet/VP8AIB McLeod (the ones that organized the YL only VP8 operation). When active, John will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW and SSB. He will also focus on the ARRL DX SSB, RSGB Commonwealth and CQWW WPX SSB Contests. QSL via his home callsign.

VP9, BERMUDA. First time DXpeditioners John/W3MF and Bob/K3PH plan to activate VP9I for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th). QSL via N1HRA. They may operate outside the contest as VP9/homecalls.

YV5, VENEZUELA. Operators Suer/YY5EBV, Jose/YV5BM and Jhony/YV5KG will be active as YV5KG during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via YV5KG.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update/Reminder). Just a reminder that a team of 9 operators will be activating Chatham Island as ZL7T, March 5-10th, from the fabulous Chatham Fishing Lodge in the fishing village of Kaiangaroa on the far northeastern tip of the island. The operators are: Lee/ZL2AL, Morrie/ZL2AAA, Lee/ZL2LE, John/ZL1BYZ, Mike/ZL2CC, Phil/ZL2RVW, Mark/ZL3AB, Wayne/ZL2WG and John/ZL1ALZ. The pilot station will be Duncan/ZL3JT. The four station setup will operate 160-10 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and the PSK modes. Donations would be appreciated. The ZL7T Web site is available at: http://www.zl7t.com
A logsearch will be available on the team's return. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within 6 months. QSL via ZL2AL, by the Bureau or direct (CBA or QRZ.com).

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9168. Re: [DX-IS] EA9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 20:40:41 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9164 Message: 9168

Yup. EA9 is Cueta and Melilla which is good today. The 'other' EA9 was Ifni which was deleted. Check to see which country you worked...
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Sunday, March 01, 2009 11:24 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] EA9

20 (EA9) Only contacts made May 13, 1969, and before, count for this entity

Is not EA9 a current enity in one shape or another?

If not, guess I can put it into the file with KZ5

Dale K8TS

9169. ...forgot

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 20:42:41 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9169 Message: 9169

Dale,
Ifni was a Spanish province on the Atlantic coast of Morocco...
rene

- -
LXXIII de WB6PSY ô¿ô xyl N6AXK
ex VK2ZIZ, VK2DSW, GØNAD, MØRON,
RG8AU, BC 65L WB6PSY@...
If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhea...
does that mean that one enjoys it?

9170. Re: [DX-IS] Last Deletion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 20:46:46 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9156 Message: 9170

Hi Zakkie - put HK0* in DXK and see I worked HK0BKX in 1979 and again in 1980. Also worked HK0FBF twice, HK0COP and HK0F in 1999.
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup

I was wondering if any of the locals on San Andres were there. Francisco (Pancho) HK0BKX passed away a number of years ago and I think HK0AI did also.

73, Zack W9SZ

9171. Re: [DX-IS] P42J 1985 QSL Route

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-01 23:01:32 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9150 Message: 9171

maybe this of help.....dunno

http://www.qrz.com/qsl/?callsign=p42j

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY" <tagteam@theunion.net>
To: "DX List - New" <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 1, 2009 6:14:56 AM GMT +00:00 GMT Britain, Ireland, Portugal
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] P42J 1985 QSL Route

Ahhhhhhh - the virtues of DXKeeper. Enter call - one listing comes up. Worked P42J in a contest in March of 1982. Perhaps he still had the same QSL manager in 1985 (or was the same person). Qsl'd to W1BIH Which could've been his home call - dunno. W1BIH is listed in Buck and QRZed.

gl es 73 de Rene WB6PSY

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Saturday, February 28, 2009 9:42 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] P42J 1985 QSL Route

Does anyone know who the QSL Manager was for P42J for
the 1985 operation ?

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

9172. Colombian Government Says RA3CO Not Licensed For Contest Operations; HK Hams Again Ask CQ WW For '07 & '08 DQ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 13:44:29 UTC
From: Francisco Hennessey Jr
Topic: 9172 Message: 9172
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

<http://www.radio-sport.net/> http://www.radio-sport.net/banner4b.jpg

Colombian Government Says RA3CO Not Licensed For Contest Operations; HK Hams Again Ask CQ WW For '07 & '08 DQ

By <mailto:ns3t(at)arrl(dot)net> Jamie Dupree NS3T radio-sport.net
Posted March 2, 2009

The Colombian government has <http://www.scribd.com/doc/12844046/Repuesta-de-Derecho-de-Peticion> formally stated that no license was ever issued to Russian contester Dimitri Kryukov RA3CO, raising fresh questions about the legality of his CQ WW contest operations in that country in 2007 and 2008, and prompting renewed calls for his disqualification.

"We think you have the sufficient evidence to take the appropriate actions," wrote Juan Camilo Rodriguez HK3CQ to CQ WW Contest Committee Director K3EST, on behalf of a group of Colombian contesters and DX'ers .

"Rest assured that we will continue to safeguard our country's regulations from illegal and fraudulent operations," he wrote.

In 2007, RA3CO used the station of Tony Rogozinski HK1AR/W4OI in Colombia, signing as HK1AR, and finishing second in the world in Single Op Low Power category of CQ WW CW.

According to Colombian amateur radio rules, that operation was illegal, as Colombia calls cannot be "lent" to another ham for use.

"No permitir el uso de sus indicativos de llamada cualquier otra persona," says the rule.

In 2008, Kryukov was back in Colombia, using the call HK3RA, as he claimed the fourth highest score in the world in Single Op High Power in the CQ WW SSB test.

Kryukov says he was given permission to use that call by Wolfgang Torres HK3RA.

But in a <http://www.radio-sport.net/hk3ra.pdf> notarized letter sent to the Colombian Ministry of Communications on January 16, Torres flatly denied that he gave Kryukov the okay to use his call during the 2008 CQ WW SSB.

The dustup has already created an ongoing international spat between some high profile contesters, who claim it is more of a power play by a group of HK hams to control foreign operators contesting from Colombia.

"I think in this situation asking to DQ RA3CO is crazy," says Al Telmurazov 4L5A, who accused the HK hams of trying to "blackmail" the CQ WW CC, by threatening not to compete in CQ WW contests unless RA3CO's results are tossed out.

In emails to radio-sport.net, Kryukov said he enlisted the help of Julio Barriga HK3JE to get him a license in 2008, and paid him $200 for that assistance.

"I think there was a genuine screw up at the PTT where he had been told that my license is ready and then they found out they double issued it. Unless of course HK3JE just lied to me outright," Kryukov said.

In other words, Kryukov said he tried to get the proper paperwork in order, but he might have been double crossed.

"Bottom line is - I was operating under the assumption that my license had been approved and only found out about the error after the test. I don't particularly care what the Colombians think, I just want my name out of this mess."

Also caught up in this is Girts Budis YL2KL, who operated from the QTH of HK1AR in the 2006 CQ WPX RTTY and ARRL CW DX contests.

The HK hams have also asked that Budis be disqualified from those past contests as well, as the Colombian PTT said it never issued any license to Budis.

The matter is now in the hands of the CQ WW Contest Committee and K3EST.

"The question you raise is a serious one and the CQWW contest committee is interested in more information as it is developed," Cox wrote HK3CQ on November 22.

"The policy of the CQ WW is to strictly enforce legal operations and to make sure a country's regulations are complied with completely," Cox added.

See Some of the Official Case Documents

The Colombian hams who have called for the disqualification of RA3CO have posted a number of documents online. Some are their own, others are from the Colombian government ministry that deals with HK amateur radio licensing.

http://www.radio-sport.net/hk.gifYou can find the documents about this at: <http://www.scribd.com/mincomco14544398>
http://www.scribd.com/mincomco14544398.

Next Move On 2008 CQ WW SSB RA3CO Operation Up To CQ WW Committee

Now that the Colombian government has stated that RA3CO did not have the proper license or authorization to operate in contests from that nation, the question of whether that impacts the 2008 CQ WW SSB Contest will be up to the CQ WW Contest Committee.

Rule XII of the 2008 CQ WW Contest rules clearly states that "Violation of amateur radio regulations in the country of the contestant...will be deemed sufficient cause for disqualification."

Late last year, CQ WW CC Chair Bob Cox K3EST said he would need to see concrete action by the Colombian government before taking any action to disqualify RA3CO.

"In order for us to act, the CQ WW committee needs an official PTT/regulatory body letter declaring the operation(s) as illegal," said CQ WW Director Bob Cox K3EST in an email to HK3CQ.

A review of the documents from the Colombian PTT shows that may now exist.

"Por lo que no es legal que el senor DIMITRI KRYUKOV - RA3CO, quien no posee ni permison ni licencia de radioaficionado por parte de este Ministerio, opere desde Colombia con indicativos otorgados a otras personas," states the response of the Ministry of Communications.

A rough English translation would be, "it is not legal that DIMITRI KRYUKOV - RA3CO, who does not possess neither permission nor a ham radio license on the part of this Department, operate from Colombia."

Kryukov's operation as HK3RA in the 2008 CQ WW SSB test netted him a claimed score of 7.1 million, a strong placing in the Single Operator High Power category.

In 2007, RA3CO claimed 7.4 million points in his CQ WW CW effort from HK1AR. He finished second in the world in the SOAB Low Power category.

"Mr. Kryukov did not file for a Colombian ham license when he was in Colombia or beforehand; therefore his operation in Colombia was illegal," Rodriguez told the CQ WW Contest Director.

9173. Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 14:30:22 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9173 Message: 9173

I guess "CQ NA" translates to CQ EU these days.

Three examples yesterday. YB,A6,VU.

Perhaps they are mad about missing KP5.....

73 de Brian/K3KO

9174. Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 17:16:55 UTC
From: Winston Rogers
Topic: 9173 Message: 9174

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Win, W0LZ

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9175. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 17:46:21 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9173 Message: 9175

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73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Mar 2, 2009 at 11:16 AM, Winston Rogers <w0lz@...> wrote:

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9176. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 18:41:10 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9173 Message: 9176

At 01:46 PM 3/2/2009, Zack Widup wrote:

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I probably put an hour into K5P because they are in my backyard,
all over water path. Not because I am overly good, but because of location.

On the other hand, Willis took literally days and days of
looking at propagation programs, charts, and following their
operating habits. It's all about location, and it *is* frustrating
when you do get your 15 minute opening and they are asking for somewhere else.

ZC4VJ is very quick with LoTW . . . usually within a few days or less.

73, PAul VE1DX

9177. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 18:48:23 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9173 Message: 9177

Anybody care to speculate what "UP" translates to?
Inductively it seems to translate to :
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2) Be a cop
3) "Who is the DX"
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9178. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 18:56:46 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9173 Message: 9178

Brian Alsop wrote:
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Brian, I have an opinion about what the translation is, but if I
expressed it here Paul would be forced to bounce me off of the reflector.

73,
Mike, W5UC
"American by birth. Texan by the grace of God"
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9179. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 19:05:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9173 Message: 9179

It's odd, I spent the bulk of that time calling on 40 CW. The other bands were relatively easy, even 80. The problems with 40 were:

1) Too many people wouldn't shut up once K5D sent a callsign to work. That made it ridiculously difficult to find the station they were working. I wonder how these people ever work any DX at all by calling and calling without listening? I'll bet many of them are the ones complaining of not getting a QSO now. This HAD to slow K5D down a bit too. I often heard them send the other station's call 4 or 5 times before finally sending "TU."

2) The band would eventually go out and I could still hear K5D fine but wouldn't hear ANYONE they were calling. So I'd just park on one frequency a few kHz up and hope they found me. This eventually paid off but it took a long time. I suspect different K5D ops had different techniques. I think some tuned around and some sat listening to one receive frequency. Time to rejuvenate the "Rotten Radio" series. :-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Mar 2, 2009 at 12:41 PM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

> At 01:46 PM 3/2/2009, Zack Widup wrote:
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9180. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-02 20:12:28 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9173 Message: 9180

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9181. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 00:55:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9173 Message: 9181

Is there a page showing the breakdown of the K5D QSOs? I can't find it. However, in the time I listened, I think Europe was treated fairly.

What was not fair was the constant calling by stations who did not respect the request by the K5D operators for partial calls. I heard, may times, what appeared to be a great number of stations continuing to call when a partial call was identified. If a DJ5 was being called there were Fs, Gs, PAs, E7s, UTs, etc calling continuously. No country's operators were worse then others, although countries that have a greater number of operators clearly outnumbered those that didn't.

The exact same thing happened with North Americans. A W6 was identified and W4s, KA5s, KB8s and so on continued to call incessantly.

The problem is worsening. Today's operators are generally terrible. They don't know how to listen, they don't understand directions (or choose to ignore them) and they're all about ME.

The other day I heard a VE3 in QSO with an I station and the first thing he did was to announce his personal. Someone broke in and told the VE3 that in ham radio we are operators and we have names and "handles" but we don't have personals. And last night, in a pileup on ZC4VJ, who indicated "UP" on virtually every exchange, a W3 called on his frequency for more than five minutes, ignoring the "cops" who kept telling him to "split."

I'm afraid the genie is out of the bottle.

While we should be examining new operators on operating practices, we aren't. When we should be teaching them that the abbreviation on CW for "thanks" is "tnx" or "tks" I hear "thks." Another I see on the cluster is "sign" when the poster means "sig." And I can go on and on. It is the problem of saying the same thing so everyone can understand. That's why Q-codes were invented and damned if we haven't lost our ability to use them. Hell, I heard EU1UN last night and thought he was on EU129. Cut numbers be cursed.

Rant over. Back to you.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Winston Rogers
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 1:17 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

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Yahoo! Groups Links

9182. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 01:38:04 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9173 Message: 9182

I think the problem is two-fold ... first: those bleedin' computer code programs that allege to read CW. Which in a pile-up they cannot. So the guy with the breakfast food coupon ticket just keeps banging away at his keyboard. The other group is just plain ignorant and could care less about protocol.

Now on SSB, it's the same, just delete the computer code program.

I am afraid that we must just put up with it, no one is going to come to our aid. So, polish your skills, get the DX early and often and leave the great unwashed masses to beat each other silly while you go get the next one.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9183. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 01:52:21 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9173 Message: 9183

Or, do as I did (after spending a very long and utterly wasted amount of time calling K5D on 40M CW) wait until the last few days and work 'em relatively easily.

As for your suggestions, Dick: done and done.

73

Al, VE1AL
(after calling PJ4/K2NG for 10 minutes and giving up -- I think he was ignoring me. So now I'm ignoring him :-)

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 9:38 PM
To: DX List - New
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

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9184. Field checking

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 01:47:29 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 3618 Message: 9184

Last year I enquired on this list if there were any field checkers and what they all could check as when I stopped DX'ing they were limited. I received one response who told me all band 'except' 160m could be field checked but now I understand 'all' bands can be checked.
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LXXIII de WB6PSY ô¿ô xyl N6AXK
ex VK2ZIZ, VK2DSW, GØNAD, MØRON,
RG8AU, BC 65L WB6PSY@...
If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhea...
does that mean that one enjoys it?

9185. Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 02:14:34 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9173 Message: 9185

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> time calling K5D on 40M CW) wait until the last few days and work 'em
> relatively easily.

Yep. I had 15m & 17m CW in the bag, and 160m CW (which was the one I really wanted) in the first few days.

So I kind of halfheartedly called in a few pileups here and there and gave up.

On one of the last nights though, I figured I'd try pick up 80m and 40m because not much else was going on... they were in the log on both bands within 10 minutes, max.

Got 'em on 17 phone, simplex, the next morning too...

I don't recommend waiting if you really, really need a new one (see the last KP5 for example) it does get a bit easier to knock down band slots when demand has slackened a bit.

73
Dan

9186. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 02:19:36 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9173 Message: 9186

RICHARD SOLOMON wrote:
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> code programs that allege to read CW. Which in a pile-up they
> cannot. So the guy with the breakfast food coupon ticket just
> keeps banging away at his keyboard.
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Dick this would be comical if it weren't so true and such a massive problem.

A couple of weekends or so ago, played a bit in the DX contest, and it
was interesting to hear the DX call an individual, and there would be a
noticeable delay to that response. Then it finally dawned on me; That
idiot was waiting for his code machine to spit out the info. One of my
favorite words is /dufus./

Main Entry: dufus

/variant of/ doofus <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/doofus>

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Etymology:perhaps alteration of /^1 goof/
Date:1960 */slang/ *:* a stupid, incompetent, or foolish person*

What else is there to say?

73,
Mike, W5UC
"American by birth. Texan by the grace of God"
age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
*"management is the cesspool of life. it's the place
where the big chunks float to the top"*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9187. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 02:44:57 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9173 Message: 9187

At 09:38 PM 3/2/2009, you wrote:
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>come to our aid. So, polish your skills, get the DX early and often
>and leave the great unwashed masses to beat each other silly
>while you go get the next one.
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>73, Dick, W1KSZ

I'll be the first to admit I'm no CW wizard -- there are those who can copy 40 WPM while eating a sandwich and talking to you about the ball game last night -- all this while they are half drunk. I've seen them do it.

However, a DXer MUST learn to recognise the TU 5NN pattern and their call or part thereof in a pileup, even at 40 WPM. My call and any type of acknowledgement sequence by someone else jumps out at me like someone screamed it in my ear. I hear this clearer in a CW pileup than in a SSB pileup.

I thus can't see where any of those CW decoders can pick it up 1/1000th as good. They will work in the clear if they have time to sync on the code speed and if it well sent and loud. There is no program or firmware available today that will pick out the "last guy" in a 30-40 dB over roaring pileup spread from 7.025 to 7.035 when you are spinning the dial in the 3-4 seconds you have to trying to find the guy the DX on 7.023 is working.

It can't be done, and it takes your ear, your whole ear and nothing but your ear. I can't imagine the fault lies with the computer code reading programs.

The fault lies in your second point; the "ignorant and could care less about protocol" guys. There is no way to stop them. As far as I can tell they just park their second VFO somewhere in the middle of the pileup and keep pushing the memory keyer until the DX comes back to their call. Put 10 of these in a 1000 Ham pileup and they will turn it into a din that is impossible for even the best CW man to figure out. I suspect the same happens in SSB pileups, with

the only difference being that they bray out their call every 5-seconds (or push a recorded voice button.)

I don't think this can be fixed because it's gone to far. There is usually no pattern on either mode that can be determined by listening. It might be there, but it is nearly impossible to find. All it takes is the 10 guys with kilowatts and push buttons to fill up the listening split. Assume the DX is following a basic pattern - working two on 7.025, two on 7.027, two on 7.029, two on 7.031 and two on 7.033; then cycling back to 7.025 and doing it again. 20 years ago you'd figure this out on no time.

How would you ever figure this out today? Even if our 30-40 years of experienced listening can get it in a given pileup, good luck trying to demonstrate this to a fairly new guy. "Look Tom, all you have to do is listen for a minute or two and you'll be able to predict where he'll be listening next!" Those days are gone.

73, Paul VE1DX

9188. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 03:10:39 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9173 Message: 9188

I think that's what I said, albeit in an abbreviated form.

I think the next time I hear these carryings-on in a big pileup, I am going to write down the callsign of every station I hear repeatedly calling out of turn and query them as to what they were doing (by e-mail or by letter). If some of them get upset, too bad; I'm already upset with them anyway.

Once I could copy over 60 wpm. With the onset of tinnitus and maybe other factors, I seem to be limited to about 55 wpm these days. And if I hear the DX calling someone else or giving a partial call that has no bearing on mine, I shut up. If the DX says "W9?" then it's fair game to call again. Usually he wasn't calling me anyway.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

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> don't know how to listen, they don't understand directions (or choose to
> ignore them) and they're all about ME.
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> The other day I heard a VE3 in QSO with an I station and the first thing he
> did was to announce his personal. Someone broke in and told the VE3 that
> in ham radio we are operators and we have names and "handles" but we don't
> have personals. And last night, in a pileup on ZC4VJ, who indicated "UP"
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> Rant over. Back to you.
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> 73
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> [mailto:
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> Winston Rogers
> Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 1:17 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier
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9189. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 03:46:52 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9173 Message: 9189

While in Barbados for a couple of weeks, I did some holiday-style operating as 8P9DX using a ic-706 and multi-band doublet. The pileups were unexpectedly fierce, especially on 80m, and there was a lot of out-of-turn calling from everywhere. I quickly re-learned the new prime directive: never never never acknowledge a callsign significantly different than the one you called, for to do so ignites a frenzy of out-of-turn calling that takes a long time to tamp down. The only way to maintain a modicum of control is to doggedly stick with the station you called; you're far better off going back to CQ or QRZ? than responding to a different call. It's time consuming, but sending "7 0 1 D X O N L Y" and doubling the time between
the letters each time you are forced to repeat usually gets the message across (reducing CW speed would also work, but that's a menu setting in the 706 with no CI-V access). Obviously this strategy makes no sense for a DXpedition intent on logging 100K+ QSOs, but if you're not in a rush, the result is more enjoyable.

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Dave, AA6YQ

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9190. RE field checking

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 03:47:13 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9190 Message: 9190

Thanks to Steve, Bob, Jim & Dale for responding regarding field checking of QSL cards for 160m.

73 de Rene
WB6PSY

9191. Re: [DX-IS] RE field checking

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 03:56:31 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9190 Message: 9191

At 11:47 PM 3/2/2009, you wrote:
>Thanks to Steve, Bob, Jim & Dale for responding regarding field
>checking of QSL cards for 160m.
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>73 de Rene
>WB6PSY

I'd like to thank Steve, Bob, Jim & Dale too, if I knew who they were. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9192. Re: [DX-IS] RE field checking

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 04:09:37 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9190 Message: 9192

Ok, lemmie see if I can remember.
Steve - KF2TI
Bob - K2TK (who lived and worked in my town)
Jim - K4TXJ (active field chekker)
Dale - K8TS
Sri for not listing their calls - figured they would know who they were;-)
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 7:56 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] RE field checking

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.0.237 / Virus Database: 270.11.5/1979 - Release Date: 03/01/09
17:46:00

9193. Bring back the deleted ones

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 04:35:36 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9193 Message: 9193

Hi Guys,

I am glad that people are activating the deleted DXCC's these days, I say bring them back!

I took great delight in recently working Swan Island, Serrana Bank and Bajo Nuevo. Got Zanzibar the other year too.

ARRL might not count them anymore but they will go down as valuable possession in my DXCC annuls.

73, Lance - VK6DU

9194. Antenna advice/opinions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 18:51:50 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9194 Message: 9194

I am turning to the fine DX list here for some opinions on which antenna would be better for overall DX work. First, some background: Last May my Mini Products MQ-1 miniquad was killed in a storm. I had been using it for 6 years and worked about 250 countries on it, so I liked it. It also was a good 6 meter antenna. I have just been running a G5RV since that time,and it does OK but is noisier than the mini quad was, plus the performance isn't quite as good. One interesting thing about the G5RV was that it had a sharp null on 20m in the direction of KP5. I couldn't hear K5D on 20 at all, even when everone else in my area was spotting them. I worked them with no problem on 17m, though.

I have narrowed down my search for a replacement antenna to either a Mosley TA32JR 2 element tribander on a 6 foot boom or a TGM MQ-1 Mini Quad 2 element hibred quagi on a 4 1/2 foot boom. I don't use an amp and have no plans to, so the power rating of the TA32 isn't a factor. The Mosley would require an additional coax run, since I had to put up a 3 element 6m yagi to replace that portion of the miniquad. So, the 2 options would come down to:

1. Mosley TA32JR at about 25 feet. Would require and extra coax run, but I would have a separate 6m antenna to use.

2. TGM MQ-1 Miniquad at about 30 feet. I can get it up a little higher due to its smaller size. It wouldn't require an additional coax run, but also would make it more difficult to listen to 6m on a separate radio.

So, in your opinion, which would be the better performing HF setup? The Mosley TA32 2 element tribander, or the TGM MQ-1 2 element miniquad?

73s John AA5JG

9195. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #898.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-03 21:29:43 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9195 Message: 9195

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, Bob Allphin/K4UE and Glenn Johnson/W0GJ for the following DX information.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

K5D Desecheo Postlogue Press Release 3/3/09

All team members have safely returned home. The K5D DXpedition, 12-26th, February 2009, netted 115,783 QSO's, including one QSO with the International Space Station. The DXpedition ranks #7th for all-time number of QSO's, and the #1 DXpedition with the most 30M contacts. More importantly, we are confident that thousands of radio amateurs worldwide now have a QSO with Desecheo for an all-time new one--our overall #1 goal !

Desecheo was #2 Most Wanted in Asia and #3 Most Wanted in Europe. We are happy to report that 40% of our contacts were with Asia and Europe!!! Another important goal achieved !

The QSL card is in the final stages of design and will be available in the next few weeks. You may QSL directly to N2OO, but online QSL requests are available and highly recommended. For details see our website:
http://www.kp5.us/qsls.htm
Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and posted early next year.

The Desecheo 2009 team wants to thank everyone for working us and helping to make this DXpedition such a success!

73 and good DX!

Bob Allphin, K4UEE, co-leader
Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, co-leader

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9196. RE: [DX-IS] Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-04 02:53:20 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 9173 Message: 9196

Oh, that's easy...

5. The "lass too" call of W2UP -- who, I hasten to add, is way too good an operator to ever have to consider, let alone stoop, to "lass too"

73

-----Original Message-----
From: "Brian Alsop" alsopb@... k3kok3ko
Sent: Tuesday, March 02, 2009 10:48 am ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Language barrier

Anybody care to speculate what "UP" translates to?
Inductively it seems to translate to :
1) Tune on the frequency
2) Be a cop
3) "Who is the DX"
4) Call on my frequency
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N)

73 de Brian/K3KO

9197. RE: [DX-IS] Language barrier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-04 03:04:03 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 9173 Message: 9197

Much to my surprise, K5D turned out to be pretty easy. The first Saturday, I heard them coming in on 17 SSB but with a decent pileup. Got them a few evenings later on 30, only took about 5 minutes of calling.

Then I heard them again on 17 SSB the night of my club meeting, calling JA's. Left the rig on as I was gathering some stuff, when the op took a break due to poor propagation, and I had them again within another 10 minutes.

Both of these with a TS-480SAT running barefoot to an HF6V.

Biggest surprise was not only hearing but working them on 160 CW, on only 2 calls. (Thought I had them a few minutes later on 80 CW, but apparently not as I'm not in the online log on that band.) So big a surprise it was, that my HF6V fell over in total shock shortly thereafter. (Of course, the wind working on a weld may have had something to do with that as well)

I'm sure luck had a lot to do with it, but let's face it... you have to have a feel for being in the right place at the right time. Too many of the newer hams who have book-knowledge but not on-air-knowledge don't have that horse-sense yet, and without elmering, may never have it. The result is the chaos I heard on K5D on 40 meters (phone & CW) whenever I tuned them in... frequency cops, jammers, people calling without listening, the usual litany.

But I'm happy. Got them on 3 out of the 4 bands I needed (if 12 ever opened, it was when I was at work, so it goes). Now, on too Navassa?

73, ron w3wn

-----Original Message-----
From: "Zack Widup" w9sz.zack@... w9sz
Sent: Tuesday, March 02, 2009 9:46 am ((PST))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Language barrier

I roughly calculated that I spent ~ 24 hours in the pileups for K5D. I'm sure there are people who spent more time calling them, but I'll bet there were a lot of people who spent far less.

I wonder how many people do have that kind of patience? I heard them working exclusively EU several times and just went and did other things till they started working NA again.

TA3D had an incredible signal here on 40 CW last night. Peaking 40 over S9. Never heard anyone from Turkey so loud here. Must've been reciprocal propagation - I didn't hear him work any EU at all. Also, EU1UN had a good signal. And my antenna does NOT favor north and south on that band.

ZC4VJ (G3AB op) was booming in here too but I worked him the night before so didn't call him again last night.

BTW Andy said to QSL to his address in Cyprus per QRZ.COM. He's putting logs on LoTW.

73, Zack W9SZ

9198. ZL7T DXpedition Departure Press Release.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-04 04:36:16 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 9198 Message: 9198

The ZL7T DXpedition Team will leave for Chatham Island Tomorrow around 0130 UTC and expect to be on the ground in ZL7 around 0400 UTC. The schedule is as variable as Air Chatham is. Work will begin on assembling the antennas Thursday night in the dark. We will do as much preliminary work and preparation as we can before Friday morning.

We are hoping to have the two Yagis and 30M vertical up by lunch on Friday and will work through the afternoon to get the 80M, 40M wire antennas up in the trees. The 160M inverted "L" will be the last antenna to go up. We should be on the air with two stations on the higher frequencies sometime after 1200 UTC Friday and will probably activate all four stations by the early evening.

Keep a watch on packet cluster or go to http://www.dxsummit.fi/DxSpots.aspx <http://www.dxsummit.fi/DxSpots.aspx> and you will see us spotted for information on our active frequencies. If you are new to DXing, go to the ZL7T website www.zl7t.com <http://www.zl7t.com/> and have a read of tips on how to work us. Don't be afraid to call. Our aim is to help all of you who want ZL7 to get it in your log over the next 5 days of operation.

On behalf of the ZL7T DXpedition team please accept our heartfelt thanks for your support, kind words of encouragement and donations which will help defray some of the cost of this operation. It makes all the effort required in mounting a DXpedition worthwhile when we receive your good wishes.

73, Lee ZL2AL

See you in the pileups! DX IS!!

9199. S.E.S ACTIVITY RESUME

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-04 05:58:36 UTC
From: ARMIC EA3RKR ONCE
Topic: 9199 Message: 9199

From these lines we want to inform you of the success of EG3LB and EG7LB, dedicated stations put into the air during the 200th anniversary of the birth of the illustrious Louis Braille.

To thank the friends of the Union of Radio Sevilla EA7URS, for their collaboration to conduct the event from his district, as well as various friends from other districts their collaboration, which for reasons of timing has not been possible to draw air, especially a greeting and thanks to Radio henares club with Oscar EA4TD its front, where ARIES International noteworthy especially EA1AYG and Rabanal Rosario Asuncion EA2BLF also Aries in zone 5 and in this case Taberner Salvador EA5CHA to different friends around that EA have not been able to be active because of problems with the wind, and various friends who had offered to work from their respective districts, to all who have contributed in different ways and this activity, all designed with affection for all.

We could not fail to mention one of the most famous portable, but when we talk about CC.DD. but with these few tracks will not guess who it is, we will say that in this case we speak of his friend Jorge EA8TL, who has undoubtedly been a fundamental part in this modality, who appreciate the unconditional support to the activities of this modest Radio Club, TNX Jorge.De equally we can not ignore, much less collaboration and strong interest in andalusia activity Toni EA3GYE.

We also thank the many newsletters and other radioclubs DX, the DX programs of various international broadcasters who have spread the activity and the various websites.

Finally everything and have suffered a setback in the log especially in some basically CW QSO of CCDD and EG3LB, the result of both stations is as follows:

EG7LB may only be three days and a very limited time in the air, has been closed, even with no spread in friendly, with a total of more than 270 QSO's.

Somewhat larger EG3LB to stay beyond the 1000 QSO, unable to be in the air all the time.

At this time is running out to complete the design of the QSL for their printing, so we ask you patience, the same shall be forwarded as soon as they are in our possession, and also inform you that as usual the QSL's have been increases to E-QSL for all those who have asked us the same way for this award EANET EA Digital Federation FEDIEA everything and of course receive their QSL paper as the rest.

We ask them to send their station's QSL confirming the contact, as well as added to the memory of the activity, is the only way to recover the QSO's that are not in the log for failure information.

Likewise for listeners interested and as previously announced, and it is usual activities ARMIC, those who want just as many who have already done so, they can send their reports to EA3RKR (Data QRZ.com) which will be matched with corresponding QSL.Thanks a lot
to everybody, see you on next activity, 73's.

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9200. DX frequency allocations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-04 18:01:50 UTC
From: witstock7
Topic: 9200 Message: 9200

I believe I saw a while back that amateurs outside the US were given more phone frequencies in the 40 meter band. Where can I find out about this? I plan to operate 40 next weekend and will not be using the cluster. It would be good to know where to listen for more activity.

Nelson, K8DJC

9201. ARLD009 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-05 23:08:54 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 1568 Message: 9201

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ARLD009 DX news

ZCZC AE09
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 9 ARLD009
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 5, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD009
ARLD009 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by CO8TW, NC1L, OH2BN, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

NIGERIA, 5N. Bodo, DL3OCH is QRV as 5N/KT3Q until July 24 while on business. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters, including EME. QSL to home call.

TAIWAN, BV. Look for BX5AA to be a Single Op/Single Band/High Power entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

CUBA, CO. Eduardo, CO8LY will be a Single Op/Single Band QRP entry on 80 meters in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL via EA7ADH. In addition, Juan, CO8TW will be a Single Op/Single Band/Low Power entry on 20 meters in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL via HB9SVT.

AZORES, CU. Look for CU2A and CU2X to be QRV in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL both calls via OH2BH.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. Eric, KV1J is QRV as FP/KV1J from Miquelon Island, IOTA NA-032, until March 9. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will also be a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event call PA750ASN is active until April 15 to commemorate the 750 years of the town of Assen. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via PI4ASN.

BONAIRE, CURACAO, PJ2. A group of operators will be QRV as PJ2T from Signal Point Station on Curacao, IOTA SA-006, as a Multi/Multi entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL via N9AG.

FERNANDO de NORONHA, PY0. Operators W9VA, K9PPY and PY0FF are QRV as PS0F until March 10. This includes being a Multi/Single entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest. Outside the contest, they are active on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL direct to W9VA.

BANGLADESH, S2. Some members of the Korea DX Club will be active as S21KD from Dhaka from March 7 to 14. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via HL5FUA.

ICELAND, TF. Look for TF3CW to be a Single Op/Single Band entry on 40 meters in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL via LX1NO.

COSTA RICA, TI. A group of operators will be QRV as TI8M in the ARRL SSB DX contest as a Multi/2 entry. QSL via TI2KAC.

CHAD, TT. Franck, F4BQO is QRV as TT8CF until July 1. Activity is on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct to home call.

KALININGRAD, UA2. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be QRV as RW2F in the ARRL SSB DX contest as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via DK4VW.

ANTIGUA, V2. Operators K1DG, K1QX and W1MD will be QRV as V26F as a Multi/Single entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL via W1MD.

MICRONESIA, V6. Mike, KM9D and Jan, KF4TUG are QRV as V63MY using CW and V63TO using SSB, respectively, from Turuaimu Island, IOTA OC-167, for about one week. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters. QSL via OM2SA.

BRUNEI, V8. Kanzi, JA4ENL is QRV as V85NL until March 9. Activity is on 80 to 12 meters using mostly CW. QSL to home call. In addition, special call V88NBD25 is active until March 10 in celebration of 25 years of Brunei independence. QSL via operators' instructions.

BERMUDA, VP9. Operators W3MF and K3PH will be QRV as VP9I in the ARRL SSB DX contest. Outside the contest, they are active as VP9/homecalls. QSL via N1HRA.

VENEZUELA, YV. Operators YY5EBV, YV5BM and YV5KG will be QRV as YV5KG as a Multi Single/High Power entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL via YV5KG.

CHATHAM ISLANDS, ZL7. A group of operators are QRV as ZL7T from the fishing village of Kaiangaroa until March 10. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK with four stations active simultaneously. QSL via ZL2AL.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL International SSB DX Contest, NCCC Sprint, Wake-Up! QRP Sprint, Open Ukraine RTTY Championship, SKCC Weekend Sprint, UBA Spring CW Contest, DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest and Nova Scotia ARA CW Contest will certainly keep

contesters busy this weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship is scheduled for March 11. The CLARA HF Contest is scheduled for March 10 to 11 and March 14 to 15. Please see March QST, page 78 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9202. test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-06 15:06:15 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 1 Message: 9202

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Dale K8TS

9203. Re: [DX-IS] test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-06 15:22:53 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 1 Message: 9203

At 11:06 AM 3/6/2009, you wrote:

>gl
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>
>
>Dale K8TS

We're still here, Dale!

73, Paul VE1DX

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5N - Bodo's ,DL3OCH (KT3Q) trip to Nigeria [425DXN 930] has been delayed and now expects to travel to Nigeria around 21 March. The callsign for his EME activities will be 5N0EME, while on the HF bands he should be using 5N/KT3Q.
5X - Nick, G3RWF will be active again as 5X1NH from Fort Portal, Uganda starting on 11 March until 5 May. This time he may also give digital modes a try, and will try to improve his antennas for the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX G3RWF]
6W - Alessandro, IK4ALM will be active as 6W/IK4ALM from Saly, Senegal between 29 March and 9 April. He will operate SSB and QRS CW on 40-10 metres with 100 watts and a ground plane. QSL via home call. [TNX IK4ALM]
9A - Look for Wolfgang, 9A/OE3WGC and Gert, 9A/OE3ZK to be active from Palagruza Island (EU-090) and lighthouse from 30 May to 6 June. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via bureau to home calls. [TNX OE3ZK]
9M2 - Richard, PA0RRS will be moving permanently to Malaysia on 1 May. He will be active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015), initially only on 20 metres with a dipole. He prefers CW, with SSB on request. QSL via 9M2MRS, either direct (Richard Smeets, Reef Apartment Building, 54-7-12 Jalan Low Yat, 11100 Batu Ferringhi, Penang Island, Malaysia) or through the bureau. "Via PA0RRS" is still possibile, but you should be patient, as Richard will be back to the The Netherlands only for a limited time each year. [TNX PA0RRS/9M2MRS]
9M6 - Steve, 9M6DXX will operate as 9M8Z from Sarawak, East Malaysia (OC-088) on 26-29 March, including a SOAB HP entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. Outside the contest, look for Steve on 40 metres SSB, on which band he will be using a 3-element Yagi. QSL via M0URX, direct, bureau or LoTW. [TNX 9M6DXX]
BV - BV2DD and other six operators from Taiwan will be active as BP0A from the P'enghu Islands (AS-103) on 27-30 March. QSL via BV2KI, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

CN - Alfredo, IK7JWX and other eight operators will be active on all bands and modes from Mogador Island (AF-065) between 18 and 26 April. They have been issued individual callsigns as follows: 5C2A (QSL via IK2AQZ), 5C2C (QSL via IK6CAC), 5C2F (QSL via I2FUG), 5C2G (QSL via IZ7GWZ), 5C2J (QSL via IK7JWX), 5C2L (QSL via I8LWL), 5C2SG (QSL via IZ7ATN), 5C2Y (QSL via I0SNY) and 5C2Z (QSL via I8YGZ). Their main QTH will be Essaouira on mainland Morocco; when on the island they will operate /p. They also plan to operate /m from three lighthouses (ARLHS MOR-019, MOR-036 and MOR-O40). Contributions will be gratefully accepted. Please e-mail mogadorisland2009@... for further information, or visit http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org/ (under construction). [TNX IK7JWX]
CT - CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT1IUA and CT2IHP will be active as CS6A from the lighthouse Murtinas Posterior (ARLHS POR-126) on 15 March, from 7 to 13 UTC. They plan to operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres with two stations. QSL via CT1GFK, direct or bureau. [TNX CT1END]
CU - Martti, OH2BH (CU2KG) and Juha, OH8NC (CU2KH) are in the Azores and will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as CU2A (20m) and CU2X (80m). They may occasionally come on other bands to hand out multipliers. QSL both via OH2BH. [TNX OH2BN]
DU - DY1C is the callsign Jairus/DV1ERS, Roland/DU1KGJ and Frank/VE7DP will be using during their operation from Cujo Island (OC-120) [425DXN 930]. Their operating schedule will be dictated by the boat schedule to the island and they anticipate to be QRV around 4 UTC on 6 March until around 2 UTC on the 8th. Look for DY1C on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres CW and SSB. QSL via VE7DP, direct or bureau. [TNX VE7DP]
F - Christophe/F5UBH, Juan/F5IRC and Karim/F4CTJ will be active as TM2HC from Hoedic Island (EU-048) on 13-15 March. They plan to operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on the HF bands. QSL via F5IRC, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
F - Amateur radio club CBK (http://www.cbk67.org) will operate special event station TM0TAN from 27 March to 10 April to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Organisation du Traite de l'Atlantique Nord (OTAN), i.e. the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). The activity also includes participation in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via F8KHH, direct or bureau. [TNX F5AEG]
FT5X - Gildas, TU5KG (FT5WP/mm) expects to stop at Port-aux-Francais (Kerguelen) between 8 and 10 March. If he is able to land, he will might be QRV as FT5XS (QSL via F4EFI). [TNX F4EFI]
H40 - The Daily DX reports that the Temotu team - namely H40MS (SSB), H40FN (CW) and H40HP (2m EME) - is operating from Pigeon Island in the Reef Islands (OC-065), not from Nendo (OC-100) as previously announced. QSL H40MS via DL2GAC; QSL H40FN via HA8FW; QSL H40HP via DL2NUD.
HH - Jan, K4QD and and Don, AF4Z will be active again as HH4/homecall from the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission from 23 March to 3 April. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres as time

and availability of AC power permit. They will also participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest, and are working with HH2JR and the Radio Club Haiti in an attempt to obtain a special 4V4 prefix for the contest. QSL via home calls. [TNX K4QD]
I - Special stations II0IDP (QSL via IS0SDX), II0IDR (QSL via IZ0FVD), II0IGU (QSL via IK0JFS), II1ICS (QSL via I1SAF), II1IGG (QSL via I2AZ), II8ICN (QSL via IZ8JPV) and II9ICF (QSL via IT9MRM) - all representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy - will be active on 7-22 March for the 3rd Italian Navy Coastal Radio Stations Award (http://www.assoradiomarinai.tk). [TNX IT9MRM]
I - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, special event station IY1GMN will be QRV on 13-28 June from Sanremo (www.arisanremo.it). The activity will coincide with a vintage-radio exhibition ("From Marconi to Nowadays") to be hosted at Villa Nobel, where Alfred Nobel lived and died in 1896. QSL via operator's instructions [TNX I1UWF]
J3 - Colin, G3VCQ will be active as J38CW from Grenada on 12-26 March. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and possibly RTTY/PSK. He will also participate in the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest (14-15 March, rules at www.rsgbhfcc.org). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX G3VCQ]
JA - Look for JS6RRR and JI3DST/JS6 to operate on all bands and modes from the Miyako Islands (AS-079) on 14-24 March. QSL via bureau. [TNX JS6RRR]
KH0 - Look for KH0/KI3DNN (QSL via JI3DNN), KH0/N3MU (QSl via JA3CEK) and KH0/K2JA (QSL via JL3SIK) to be active from Saipan (OC-086) on 19-22 March. They plan to operate SSB, CW and some digital modes on 160-6 metres. [TNX JL3SIK]
LU - LU4GL, LU1JB/L, LU4LC, LU9GDN, LU7LC, LU4LE and possibly others will be active as LT9L (http://www.qsl.net/lt9l)from the nature reserve Esteros del Ibera on 21-23 March. They will operate CW, SSB, PSK, RTTY and SSTV on 80, 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via EA5FL. The operation is organized by Radio Club Corrientes (LU4LG), Radio Club Villa Angela (LU4GO) and Chaco Radio Club (LU4GF). [TNX LU5FZ]
OE - The "Radio Club of America" was established in January 1909, and issued the first amateur radio licences in April of that year. To celebrate 100 Years of Amateur Radio, the Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communication/QSL Collection will be active as OE100M on 1-30 April (contacts made on the International Marconi Day, 25 April, will be valid for the IMD Award). QSL via the bureau or direct to OE1WHC. [TNX OE1WHC]
PA - Amateur radio operators from Ireland (EI) will be permitted to operate digital modes on 30 metres starting on 29 March, and a number of European Phase Shift Keying Club's (EPC) stations will be active on or around that date to celebrate that event. Announced stations include PA30EPC (from 28 March to 24 April, operated by Richard/PA3GWH on 10-80 metres PSK) as well as CS2EPC, DK0EPC, K1EPC, M0EPC, MI0EPC, N4EPC, and possibly others. QSL via

operator's instructions. [TNX PA3GWH]
S2 - S21KD is the callsign for the Korea DX Club's DXpedition to Dhaka, Bangladesh [425DXN 921]. Four operators (namely 6K2AVL, 6K2GCW, 6K5YPW and HL5FUA) will be active from 7 to 14 March on 160-10 metres the following suggested frequencies:
CW 1822, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14015, 18075, 21015, 24895, 28015
SSB 3793, 7095, 14195, 18130, 21295, 24950, 28460
Digital 7035, 10140, 14082, 18100, 21082
QSL via HL5FUA, direct or bureau. The webpages for the expedition can be found at http://dxpedition.co.kr/
SV - Andreas/SV2JAO, Archelaos/SV2KBB, Kostas/SV2LLB and Litsa/SW2MIN will be active as SX2MT from the Royal Tombs Museum at Vergina, the capital of the ancient Macedonian kingdom, on 20-21 and 27-28 June for the International Museums Weekend. QSL via SV2KBB, direct only. [TNX SV2KBB]
TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (http://www.tcswat.org/) will be active as TC18M on 17-19 March to commemorate the 94th anniversary of the naval battle of 18 March 1915 during the Dardanelles Campaign. They will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands from Canakkale on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles. QSL via TA3FB. [TNX TA1HZ]
UA - Special event station R150ASP will be active from Gogland Island (EU-133) on 14-17 March to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Russian physicist and radio pioneer Aleksandr S. Popov. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via RF3C, direct or bureau. [TNX RA3DOX]
V2 - Bob, W4OWY (V25WY) and Mark, W9OP (V25OP) will be active on 160-6 metres from Antigua (NA-100) on 10-19 March. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. They will also upload their logs to LoTW and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]
VE - John/VE8EV, Wally/VE8DW and Gerry/VE8GER will be active as VX8X from Ellice Island (NA-192) on 20-23 March. They plan to operate around the clock, with an expected focus on 20m SSB and some activity on CW as well. They will also have a vertical for 40 metres. The QSL route will be announced at www.qrz.com and updates will be posted on http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
VE - VY0A is the callsign Cezar, VE3LYC will be using during his 31 March-3 April activity from Fox Island (NA-186) [425DXN 929]. He will operate SSB and CW with 100 watts and a multi-band vertical antenna, with a focus on 20, 30 and 40 metres. This IOTA group was activated only once and very briefly sixteen years ago. The costs associated with this operation are considerable and both group and individual donors are being sought. QSL via VE3LYC.
VP5 - Dave, W5CW will be active on 160-6 metres CW and SSB as VP5/W5CW from Providenciales (NA-002), Caicos Islands from 24 March to 8 April. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as VP59V; before and after the WPX event he will concentrate on 160, 30, 12 and 17 metres. QSL via home call (direct only). [TNX W5CW]
W - Pete, VE3IKV (VA3RA) will operate from St. Simons Island (NA-058)

on 7 March. On 9-13 March he will be active from Key West (NA-062), with a possibility of a side trip to the Dry Tortugas (NA-079) during that time frame. Expect him to be active as W4/VA3RA on 40 metres CW, between 21 UTC and 2 UTC, from all locations. [TNX VE3IKV]

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ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST (SSB) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC countries as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while foreign amateurs (also including KH6, KL7, CY9 and CY0) work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (full rules can be found at http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2009/intldx.html. This year's event will run from from 00.00 UTC on 7 March through 24.00 UTC on the 8th. Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2009.html - good contest to you all!

DXCC NEWS ---> At its last meeting the ARRL Programs and Services Committee decided that administratively the concept of "deleted entities" should be returned to the DXCC programme. The concepts for deleting an entity do not change. If an entity is deleted it will be added to the Deleted Entities List and the statistical records for DXCC participants will be adjusted accordingly, just as they had been in the years prior to 2000 (when the change from "deleting entities" to "removing entities" was introduced). Read Bill Moore's, NC1L full release on the Century Club Awards Weblog at http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards

FH/G3SWH ---> Phil (G3SWH) and Dick (G3RWL) arrived back from their trip to Mayotte with over 10,000 QSOs in the log. "Looking at the DX Summit spot database", Phil says, "we appear to have been the victim of some piracy". Please note that there was neither activity by FH/G3RWL (both operators used FH/G3SWH) nor SSB activity whatsoever.

K5D POSTLOGUE ---> "The K5D DXpedition (12-26 February 2009) netted 115,783 QSOs, including one QSO with the International Space Station. The DXpedition ranks #7th for all-time number of QSOs, and the #1 DXpedition with the most 30m contacts. More importantly, we are confident that thousands of radio amateurs worldwide now have a QSO with Desecheo for an all-time new one - our overall #1 goal!
Desecheo was #2 Most Wanted in Asia and #3 Most Wanted in Europe. We are happy to report that 40% of our contacts were with Asia and Europe - another important goal achieved!
The QSL card is in the final stages of design and will be available in the next few weeks. You may QSL directly to N2OO, but online QSL requests are

available and highly recommended (details at http://www.kp5.us/qsls.htm). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW early next year. The Desecheo 2009 team wants to thank everyone for working us and helping to make this DXpedition such a success!" [TNX K4UEE and W0GJ]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (301 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (939 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2547 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (304 QSLs), Antarctic bases (723 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 246 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (245 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (95 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (533 QSLs), French Departments (522 QSLs) and USA (50 QSLs) plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (105 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit http://LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@... [TNX F6AJA]

QSL VIA NI5DX ---> Buzz, NI5DX is the new QSL manager for ZC4TS (logs transferred, cards being ordered) and FM1II (logs transferred, cards expected "in the not too distant future"). [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

VK9NS ---> Bruce Smith, G3HSR, son of the late Jim Smith, recalls his father's life on the Documentary Archive Radio Communication's website (http://www.dokufunk.org/vk9ns). The interview was given to Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC on 5 March,

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Karl-Heinz Moeding (DJ9CZ), John S. Kanzius (K3TUP), Harry K. Nishiyama (KH6FKG), Victor A. Babenko (RV6AB), John D. Peebles (W0LBA), Leonid I. Zverev (UA8TAB), Vasilij A. Spirin (UA9TE), George Smith (VE3CAO) and John Metcalfe (VE3HWW).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3DA0EI, 4L/UU4JMG, 4L0A, 4L4WW,4L8A, 4X/K2LS, 5B4AGL,5N/LZ1QK, 5T5DC, 6W1SJ, 7Q7HB, 7Q7JL, 8R1AK, 9A2X, 9A5W, 9J2BO, 9M2MRS, 9M6/N2BB, A71BX, BD4JUU, BG1DRJ/2, C31CT, C91LW, C94KF, CE0Y/N6NO, CE1/K7CA,CE9/K2ARB, CM6RCR, CO2WL, CP4BT, DS1REE, DU9RG, E51KAJ, E51QQQ, E73TW,E74KC, E76AQ, ER4DX, ER4ER, ES1WN, ES5QX,EY8/K4ZW, EY8MM, FK8CP, FO/KH0PR, FW8DX, H40MY, H44MY, HB0/DK9FEC, HC2SL, HC5WW, HC8A, HI3T, HI9/EA3BT (NA-122), HI9/EA3WL (NA-122), HK3CQ, HQ8R, J3/DL5AXX,J79WE, JD1BIE, JD1BMM,JX9JKA, KH8/KK6H, KP2/AE6XY, LY2ZZ, N1LI (NA-137),NP2/AK2P, OA4BHY/2 (SA-075), OY9JD, P29NI (OC-041 and OC-181), PJ4E, PV8AZ, RU6DX/p (EU-185), S79AB, S79NS, S79NS/p, ST2A, T70A, T77C, T93Y, T96Q, TA3D, TF3SG, TI2CCC, TN5SN, TO1YR, TO5DX, TR50R, TR8CA, TT8JT, TX7LX (AF-027), UK9AA, V73NS, V85TT, VI9NI, VK9DWX, VP5/N0VD, VP5W, VP6PR,

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9206. Re: [DX-IS] test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-06 19:20:28 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 1 Message: 9206

I ment contest :-) (gl = good luck in cw doest?)
----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2009 3:22:53 PM GMT +00:00 GMT Britain, Ireland, Portugal
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] test

At 11:06 AM 3/6/2009, you wrote:

>gl
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>
>Dale K8TS

We're still here, Dale!

73, Paul VE1DX

9207. QSL from 5N8NDP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-06 19:29:34 UTC
From: w4abw
Topic: 9207 Message: 9207

I wkd 5N8NDP in Feb '08 and sent my card to IK5JAN. Anyone else having trouble getting this card back ? Its hard to wk another as this qso was on 75m SSB.

Many tnx
Al
W4ABW

9208. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #899

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-06 20:12:26 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9208 Message: 9208

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late ARRL DX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the ARRL DX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 28th/February, through Friday, 6th/March there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/g, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA0, SWAZILAND (Ops Needed). Operators David/GI4FUM (EI4DJ, 3DA0DJ) and Tony/G4LDL will activate the station 3DA0SS during the month of August. The object of this activity is to provide a ham radio station at an international scout camp near Manzini. Station 3DA0SS was the first ham radio station to operate in the "Jamboree on the Air" for the scouts of Swaziland in October 2008. The station was run at the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland 15km from the Swazi capital Mbabane. The resort is 4530 ft. ASL in the mountains - QRA KG53MS. David states (edited), "We will operate from Hawane in the evenings and early mornings and drive over to the scout campsite during the day (about an hour away). There is a DXpedition to Lesotho at the same time as our visit to Swaziland. John, 9M6XRO, is a member of the Lesotho DXpedition team (also serviced by African DX Safaris) but he will be joining us at Hawane between 6th and 13th August.... Our visit to Swaziland will include a trip to the Kruger National Park which is a 2 hour drive from Hawane Resort. We also hope to visit the Trans World Radio transmitter site near to Manzini. We are looking for more members for the team." Anyone interested should E-mail David at: gi4fum@...

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf, 3V4-002, will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via IZ8CCW. Also, read about Ashraf on his Web page at: http://ashraf3v4002.wordpress.com

4M, VENEZUELA. Operators Jose/YV5TX, Werther/YV5MSG and Alexis/YV5SSB will be active as 4M5DX during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via IT9DAA.

5N, NIGERIA (Update to OPDX.898). Bodo, DL3OCH, has reported that his trip will be slightly delayed, so look for him to be in Nigeria around March 21st and to start his activity later than March 5th as first announced. He has also reported that he has received his license and will use the callsign 5N0EME. In the meantime, all his equipment is on the way. Remember, activity will be on all HF bands (160-10 meters) plus some operations on EME. QSL via DL3OCH.

6TH IDXC ANNOUNCEMENT. The 6th International DX Convention organized by the Strange Radio Team (SRT) will be held April 18-19th, 2009. The City will be Paestum near Salerno (fantastic Archeological Area) and the airport is Napoli Capodichino. Some of the guest speakers are:
* Giancarlo Sanna, IS0ISJ, ARI President
* Antonio Esposito, IW2OAZ: "D-STAR" Panoramic analysis
* Mauro Pregliasco, I1JQJ: "The IOTA of the future"
* Mario Ambrosi, I2MQP: ARI Awards
* Norman Fusaro, W3IZ: DXCC & ARRL Awards
* Simone Bizzarri/IZ0BTV & Giorgio Minguzzi/IZ4AKS: 2009
E44M PALESTINE DXpedition
* William Josh Fisher, W4WJF: 2008 VK9DWX Willis Island DXpedition
* Mike Mraz, N6MZ: 2009 KP5 Desecheo Island DXpedition
* Nuccio Meoli, I0YKN: International Polar Year
More details about the event and dinner bandquet are available at:

http://www.strangeradioteam.com/idxc/6th-idxc-2009.asp

6W, SENEGAL. Alessandro, IK4ALM, will be active as 6W/IK4ALM from Saly between March 29th and April 9th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB with 100 watts into a ground plane. QSL via his home callsign.

BX5, TAIWAN. Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (?)/High-Power entry. Jimmy states that BX5 is a rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Philip, ON4AEO, will lead a team of operators on a DXpedition to Mozambique and sign C91FC from April 9-13th. You may remember that Philip lead a team of operators last year to Lesotho for the 7P8FC DXpedition. The "Fox Charlie DXpedition" team is made up of the following operators: Philip/ON4AEO, Kath/ON7BK, Sid/ZS6AYC, Adele/ ZR6APT, Gert/ZS6GC, Lucas/ZS6ACT, Jan/ZS5JC, Deon/ZS6ABR, Jose/ON4CJK, Herman/ZS5LH and Steffi/ON3AEO. They hope to activate the following bands, 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The QSL Manager is ON4CJK. Send QSLs either by the Bureau or direct. It is requested that direct cards be accompanied with 1 IRC or 2 green stamps with a self addressed envelope (QSLs without this, QSLs will be returned via the Bureau). The QSL address is: JOSE DUYCK, MOLENAKKER 56, 8740 EGEN, BELGIUM. More information regarding the DXpedition can be obtained from their Web site at: http://www.c91fc.be

CO8, CUBA. Eduardo, CO8LY, will be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m)/QRP entry. QSL via EA7ADH. Also, look for Juan Carlos, CO8TW, to be active in the contest as a Single-OP/ Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via HB9SVT. His log will be on-line at: http://www.qsl.net/co8tw

CT3, MADEIRA ISLAND (AF-014). Operators Hardy/DL3KWF and Rosel/DL3KWR (XYL) will once again be active as CT3/homecall from the Hotel Royal Orchid between now and March 19th. Activity will be mainly CW on 30/17/12 meters. Hardy is expected to try some RTTY and PSK-31. QSL via their home callsigns. E-mail requests for Bureau QSL cards can be sent to: dl3kwr@... --or-- dl3kwf@...
Visit their Web site at: http://www.mydarc.de/dl3kwr

CU2, AZORES ISLANDS. Operators Martti/OH2BH (CU2KG) and Juha/OH8NC (CU2KH) are in the Azores and will activate both CU2A and CU2X in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 27-28th) as two Single-Band categories, CU2A on 20m and CU2X on 80m. They may occasionally come on other bands to hand out multipliers. They arrived in the Azores early this week and have been active using their personal callsigns. QSL both via OH2BH.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Jon, LA3JJ, will once again be active as EA8/homecall from Isla de Fuerteventura (AF-004, DIE S-006, WLOTA 0883) between now and March 26th. Activity will be on 30/17 meters and possibly 12 meter CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EA9/EG9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Jorge, EA9LZ, will be active as EA9LZ or possibly EG9Z during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (40m or 20m) entry. QSL via EA9LZ (QRZ.com).

FR, REUNION ISLAND (Correction). Stephane, F5UOW, will be active as FR/F5UOW from Boucan Canot (near St. Gilles les Bains) between March 8-28th (not the 22nd). Activity will be holiday style, mostly CW on 20 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

FT5X, KERGUELEN ISLANDS (Update). Gildas, TU5KG/FT5XS is enroute to the Kerguelen Area. He hopes to stop at Port aux Francais on possibly on March 9th. Look for him between March 8-10th. QSL via F4EFI, by the REF Bureau 29 or direct.

GW, Wales. Steve, GW4BLE, will be active as GW7X during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via GW3SQX, direct or by the Bureau.

HH, HAITI (Update to OPDX.849). Operators Jan/K4QD and Don/AF4Z will be active as HH4/homecall from the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission (www.nwhcm.org) between March 24th and April 4th. They will operate 80-10 meters on CW, SSB and RTTY as time permits. Nighttime low band operations will be limited to the availability of AC power. They will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). They are working with HH2JR and the Radio Club of Haiti in an attempt to obtain a special 4V4 prefix for the contest. QSL via their home callsigns. Operators prefer direct or LoTW, but the Bureau is "OK".

HQ2, HONDURAS. Operator Dan, HR2DMR, will be active as HQ2W during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power/Assisted entry. He will use monobander antennas on 20/15/10m and sloper antennas on 160/80/40m. QSL via HR2DMR. QSL via address on QRZ.com.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-103. Operators Tang/BM2AAV, Wu/BM2APH, James/BU2AT, Eddie/BV2DD, Bruce/BV2KI, Lee/BV2NT and Chung/BX4AF will be active as BP0A from Penghu Island between March 27-30th. Activity will be on all bands. QSL via BV2KI.

EU-008. Members of the Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC will be active as GM7A from Kerrera Island (IOSA FL02, SCOTIA CN02), Scotland, during the upcoming RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are Graham/MM0GHM and Arthur/MM0DHQ. QSL via GM7AAJ, direct or by the bureau.

EU-017. Operators Andy/IZ0EHO and Vincenzo/IZ0FKE will be active as ID9N from Vulcano Island (IIA ME-018, MIA MI-122, WLOTA 1001), April 24-30th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the information on QRZ.com.

EU-171. Operators Tor/DJ4MG and Ela/DL1TM will be active as 5P4MG and OZ7TM, respectively, from Vendsyssel-Thy/Nordjylland (DIA NJ-001), April 5-16th. Look for SSB activity to be on

160/80/40/20/17/15 meters and PSK31 on 40/20 meters. QSL 5P4MG via DJ4MG, direct or by the bureau. QSL OZ7TM via DL1TM, direct or by the bureau.

EU-171. Operators Rene/DL2JRM and Netti/DO6XX will be active as OZ/homecall/p from Vendsyssel-Thy/Nordjylland (DIA NJ-001) between July 18th and August 1st. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Look for them on 80-10 meters using CW with 100 watts into a dipole/GP. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-192. Operators John/VE8EV, Wally/VE8DW and Gerry/VE8GER will be active as VX8X from Ellice Island, March 20-23rd. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meter CW/SSB during a 24 hours per day non-stop operation. Expect to see them on CW, but most of the focus will be on 20 meter SSB on 14260 kHz. QSL via the information on QRZ.com under VX8X.

OC-120. Operators Ed/4F1OZ, Roland/DU1KGJ, Jairus/DV1ERS and Frank/ VE7DP plan to activate Cuyo Island (WLOTA 3028) between 0400z, March 6th and 0200z, March 9th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using CW and SSB. Both the callsign and QSL route are TBA.

SA-098p. Operators Jorge/OA4BHY, Marco/CE6TBN, Zoli/HA1AG, Daniel/DL5YWM and Rene/DL2JRM will be active as OA4BHY/6 from La Leona Island, April 10-13th. There is a possibility that a special callsign may be used. Activity will be on all HF bands using 2 stations with operations on CW and SSB. QSL via DL2JRM, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA STATESIDE TOUR. Pete, VE3IKV, will be active as W4/VA3RA from the following stateside islands:
March 7-8th - St. Simons; NA-058, USI GA-003S, Glynn county, Georgia
March 9-13th - Key West; NA-062, USI FL-040S, Monroe county, Florida
March 11-12th - Garden Key, Dry Tortugas; NA-079, USI FL-013S, Monroe county, Florida.
Activity will be on 40 meters CW using 100 watts into a sloper antenna. Also, look for him on 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE3IKV, direct or by the Bureau.

J5, GUINEA-BISSAU. Peter, HA3AUI, has announced that he will be acctive as J5UAP during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (20m) entry from the QTH of Varela, IK12QH. Remember, he is supposed to be here until March 31st. His activity will be mostly Digital with some SSB and CW upon request. Operations will be on 160-6 meters using a spiderbeam, verticals, dipoles, and 500w or 100w. QSL via HA3AUI, direct or by the HA Bureau.

J6, ST. LUCIA (Change in Plans). John, W5JON, informs that the dates have been changed and now he will be active as J6/W5JON from Marigot Bay between March 24th and April 2nd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters SSB

using 400 watts, dipoles and 6m yagi. Also, look for activity in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). QSL via W5JON.

JD1/O, OGASAWARA (Update). Operators Hide/JM1LJS (JD1BLK), Hiroyuki/JG7PSJ (JD1BMH), Masaru/JE4SMQ (JD1BMT) and Makoto/JI5RPT (JD1BLY) will be active from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. The group will be active on 160-6 meters using the CW, SSB, Digital and Satellite modes. QSL via their home callsigns. Their detailed schedule is as follows: Callsigns, Dates of Operation and Web log searches will be available at:

JD1BLK - April 29th- May 5th; http://radio-dream.com/jd1blk/e/
JD1BLY - April 29th- May 5th; http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/
JD1BMH - May 2-12th; http://sapphire.ganko.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/
JD1BMT - May 2-5th; No Web site available at this time

JW, SVALBARD. Rag, LA5HE, will once again be active as JW5HE between now and March 10th. Activity will probably have an emphasis on the low bands and CW. QSL via his home callsign.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Masaharu/JA3CEK and Shimatake/JI3DNN will be active as KH0/N3MU and KH0/KI3DNN, respectively, from Saipan (OC-086), March 19-22nd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and some Digital modes. QSL KH0/KI3DNN via JI3DNN and KH0/N3MU via JA3CEK.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Ann/KP2YL and Brian/KP2HC will be heading back to visit St. Croix, March 28th through April 7th. They are in the initial stages of planning their move back to the island, so they may be on the air less than usual on this trip. Look for them on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct only. Current QSL info is available on QRZ.com. PLEASE NOTE: Brian reminds everyone that U.S. postal rates are going up in May of this year and that all QSL requests sent from this time forward should include sufficient postage to cover the rate increase.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
Andy, W5ACM, reports that QSLs for his W5ACM/C6A/MM Western Caribbean Cruise 2009 started going out March 2nd. He also mentiones, "Operators/ participants for this event included W5ACM, WB5RMA, WA5TWT and WA5WOD. Observers included ex-WB5QCC and ex-WA5VJT. Hopefully QCC and VJT will renew their tickets! We operated from various grids (EL54, EK69, EK66, EL60, EL46 and EL37) in the Gulf of Mexico from Galveston to Roatan (just off the coast of Honduras). We had a great time and hope to see more ports of call and operate from more grids in November."

HI9/EA3BT AND HI9/EA3WL QSL STATUS. Josep, EA3BT, has started to confirm the contacts from his last IOTA DXpedition to Cayo Levantado, NA-122. The QSL looks very nice, full color on both sides. You can see the QSL card at: http://dxinfo.ea3bhk.com

NEW QSL MANAGER. Buzz, NI5DX, has assumed the duties of QSL Manager for Tom Smith, ZC4TS. Logs have been transferred and cards are in the process of being ordered. Buzz will be able to answer any requests for

a ZC4TS card once the new cards arrive in about 5 weeks. Buzz is also now the QSL manager for FM1II, Chris, in Martinique. Buzz has the logs and will have cards in the not too distant future.

PIRATE ALERT. Phil, G3SWH, informs OPDX that he and Richard/G3RWL have just arrived back from their trip from Mayotte where they made over 10,000 QSOs as FH/G3SWH. However, Phil states, "Looking at the DX Summit spot database, we appear to have been the victim of some piracy. Please make the maximum publicity of the following: There was *NO* activity by FH/G3RWL. Both operators used the same call. There was *NO* SSB activity whatsoever."

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Phil, G3SWH, reports that he is NOT the QSL Manager for VP2M.

QSLS VIA LOTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 8R1AK, C4N, CE1/K7CA, D2NX, EA9EU, FW8DX, HB9ANM, T30XX, T31DX, T32YY, T33ZZ, TT8JT and ZD8UW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

RECALLING JIM B. SMITH, VK9NS (by Bruce Smith, G3HSR). Now available on the "Documentary Archive Radio Communication" Web page, an interview by Wolf, OE1WHC, with Bruce Smith, G3HSR, son of Jim B. Smith, VK9NS, recalling his father's life (recorded March 5th, 2009) at: http://dokufunk.org/vk9ns

S2, BANGLADESH (Update). By the time you read this, some members of the Korea DX Club will be active as S21KD from Dhaka until March 14th. As this was being typed, they were assembling antennas. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB and the digital modes using three amplifiers, verticals and beams. QSLs are via HL5FUA. For more details, updates and their logs, please visit the following Web page at: http://dxpedition.co.kr

SOUTH ATLANTIC BIRD ACTIVITY. As of March 7th, Graham, G3VZV, will be onboard the "MV Minerva" which will be visiting the islands off the edges of the Antarctica. His schedule includes visits to South Georgia (VP8) on March 12-13th, and Tristan da Cunha (ZD9) on March 18-19th, before arriving in Cape Town on March 24th. Activity is planned via SO50, AO51 and the ISS (if available) from the ship, and if licences can be obtained, from the islands themselves. Graham will sign G3VZV/MM and intends to use FM handhelds and an Arrow antenna. He hopes to have at least some limited internet access which can be used to arrange skeds at: g.shirville@...

TC18, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called SWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will be active as TC18M between March 17-19th. Activity is to commemorate the 94rd anniversary of the Naval Victory (March 18, 1915) in th Gelibolu Wars (World War I). Operations will take place from the University of Canakkale grounds and on the Asiatic side of Dardanelles, overlooking the Straits where the Naval War took

place. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB and CW. Operators will be TA3FB and TA3AX. QSL Manager for this year is TA3FB. For more detailed information, visit: http://tcswat.tripod.com/
Also see TC18M on QRZ.com.

TI8, COSTA RICA. Operators Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan/TI2JCY, Mauricio/TI4ZM, Eddie/K4UN, Ellis/N4JO, Bob/W4BW, Keith/W4KTR and Alexis/W4XO will be active as TI8M from Volcan Poas during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct or by the Bureau. Look for activity before the contest on 160-10 meters.

TM0, FRANCE (Special Event). Members of the CBK 67 (F8KHH) will activate the special callsign TM0TAN between March 27th to April 10th, to celebrate the anniversary of the signing on April 4th, 1949, of the agreements creating the NATO treaty. Also to celebrate this event, the French and German cities of Strasbourg, Kehl and Baden-Baden, will receive government Heads of States, Presidents and Prime Ministers. A special QSL card will be issued. The QSL Manager is the F8KHH ARC. Send QSLs via direct (w/SAE and postage) or via the French REF Union Bureau.

V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA. Jimmy, W6JKV, will be active as V2A/W6JKV from Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118) between June 23rd and July 3rd. Activity will be on the HF bands, but his focus will be on 6 meters (Grid FK97). He has a very good location and will use a large antenna with power. QSL via his home callsign in Austin, Texas.

V4, ST. KITTS (NA-104). Nick, G4FAL, will once again be active as V4/G4FAL between March 12-17th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters mainly on CW. Also, look for him to be an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (March 14-15th) as V47CD. QSL via his home callsign or the LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA (IOTA Op). Mike/KM9D and Jan/KF4TUG are reportedly now active from Turuaimu Island, Kapingamarangi Atoll (OC-167) as V63MY and V63TO, respectively. Length of stay is unknown, but probably for one week. As usual, Mike will work mainly CW and Jan will be on SSB. However, as this was being typed, V63TO was heard on 40/20m CW. Activity is expected on 40-10 meters. QSL via OM2SA. This also includes LoTW.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Update). Bill Horner, VK4FW, member of Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group Inc. (ODXG), reports that the VK9LA March departure date is fast approaching. All equipment sent via the ship has safely arrived on Lord Howe Island. Bill states, "When we finished packing all the gear, we ended up with more space taken up than we had booked, so we quickly managed to get more freight space on the ship." This DXpedition will take place between March 23rd and April 3rd, with 16 operators. Suggested frequencies are:

Band	SSB	CW	RTTY
160	--	1.813u/d	--
80	3.797u/d	3.513u	--
40	7.084u	7.013u	--
30	--	10.106u	10.135u/d

20 14.250u/d 14.023u/d 14.088u
17 18.165d 18.072u 18.100u/d
15 21.290u/d 21.023u/d 21.088u/d
12 24.987d 24.892u 24.925u/d
10 28.470u/d 28.023u/d 28.088u/d
6 50.100u/d 50.100u/d --

Special Notes:
1. u/d... Up or down
2. 6m... Call us when the beacon goes into RX mode.
3. 40m... RX for the Americas will be above 7.150
4. 80m... A special time on April 1st has been set up to work the VK and greater Pacific. (see the web site www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm for details). We would request that these areas do not call us in the pile ups on 80m before this event.
5. Pilot Station.... Don, N1DG, will be our only pilot station.
6. VK4FW will arrive on Sunday, March 22nd. He will begin unpacking and sorting equipment and might manage to get a station on air for Sunday evening local time. On Monday, March 23rd, 4 more of the crew will arrive and will begin further assembly. They will try to get 2 stations on air ASAP. On Tuesday, March 24th, the rest of the crew will arrive and they will finish assembly and get all station on air ASAP.

QSLING PROCEDURES:
1. Direct via VK4FW:Bill Horner, PO Box 612, Childers, 4660, Australia
2. via the Bureau via VK4FW
3. OQRS (http://www.odxg.org/qsl.htm) direct
4. OQRS (http://www.odxg.org/qsl.htm) Bureau

For more updates, details on the DXpedition and how to donate to this operation, please visit the ODXG and VK9LA Web pages at:
http://www.odxg.org
http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm

WE'RE MOVING! Uwe, DL8OBF, reports that the AMTOR-mailbox "DA5TOR" will move its 40m access frequency in order to comply with the new bandplan per March 29th. The new frequencies are 7047 kHz, 7049 kHz and 7051 kHz. The access frequencies on the other bands remain unchanged and still allow worldwide access. All frequencies and technical details of the mailbox can be found at: http://www.amtor.de
The new activity-center of AMTOR is 7042 khz for direct connections.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update). The ZL7T team is now active through March 10th. Four stations will be on the air operating on 160-10 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and the PSK modes. For updates, visit the ZL7T Web site at:
http://www.zl7t.com
A logsearch will be available on the team's return. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within 6 months. QSL via ZL2AL, by the Bureau or direct (CBA or QRZ.com). Donations would be appreciated.

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The following stations are expected to be active in the
ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8th, 2009)
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Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2009 ARRL DX SSB Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2009.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxsd2009.html (By entity)
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Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route
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3V8SS Tunisia SOAB LP IZ8CCW
4M5DX Venezuela M/S IT9DAA
BX5AA Taiwan SOSB HP BX5AA
C6ANM Bahamas M/? LoTW; QSL via WA2IYO direct
CO8LY Cuba SOSB 80M QRP EA7ADH
CO8TW Cuba SOSB 20M LP HB9SVT
CT9L Madeira M/? DJ6QT
CU2A Azores SOSB 20M OH2BH
CU2X Azores SOSB 80M OH2BH
ED5T Spain M/S EA5ELT
FP/KV1J St Pierre & Miquelon SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via Buro or direct
GW7X Wales SOSB 40M GW3SQX; QSL also OK via Buro
HI3K Dominican Republic M/S KB2MS
HQ2W Honduras SOAB HP HQ2W
IR1R Italy SOSB 20M IK1HJS
J5UAP Guinea Bissau SOSB 20M HA3AUI
J6/W5JON St Lucia W5JON
J88DR St Vincent SOAB LP G3TBK
KH6/AC0W Hawaii SO LP LoTW; QSL via AC0W
P40A Aruba SOAB WD9DZV
P49Y Aruba SOAB AE6Y
PJ2T Netherlands Antilles M/M LoTW; QSL also OK via N9AG
PJ7B Sint Maarten SOAB W8EB
PS0F Fernando de Noronha M/S LoTW; QSL also OK via W9VA
RW2F Kaliningrad M/M DK4VW
T46G Cuba M/S CO6LC
TF3CW Iceland SOSB 20M LX1NO
TI8M Costa Rica M/2 TI2KAC Buro
TO5A Martinique SOAB LoTW; QSL via F5VHJ, Buro/direct
V26F Antigua M/? W1MD
VP9I Bermuda M/S N1HRA
YN2NB Nicaragua SOAB N1SNB
YV5KG Venezuela M/S YV5KG
ZM1A New Zealand M/S ZL1AMO
ZP0R Paraguay SOAB ZP5AZL
ZX5J Brazil SOSB 15M AI4U
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9209. RE: [DX-IS] QSL from 5N8NDP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-06 21:15:00 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9207 Message: 9209

I have worked 5N8NDP on many occasions, including when he has used special Nigerian prefixes. I have NEVER been able to get a QSL for any band. If there's a secret, I'd sure like to have someone let it out of the bag.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of w4abw
Sent: Friday, March 06, 2009 3:30 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] QSL from 5N8NDP

I wkd 5N8NDP in Feb '08 and sent my card to IK5JAN. Anyone else having trouble getting this card back ? Its hard to wk another as this qso was on 75m SSB.

Many tnx
Al
W4ABW

Yahoo! Groups Links

9210. ARLP010 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-06 22:31:55 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 2263 Message: 9210

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP010
ARLP010 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP10
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 10 ARLP010
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 6, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP010
ARLP010 Propagation de K7RA

No new sunspots since the recent brief three-day appearance of quickly fading sunspot 1013 on February 24-26. It was another Cycle 24 sunspot, but not too encouraging, considering how brief and weak it appeared. There are no predictions for new sunspots, but these events tend to occur suddenly.

In this bulletin we have been tracking our own flavor of smoothed sunspot number, one based on a shorter period of data (three months instead of one year that the official smoothed sunspot graphs are based upon), perhaps revealing trends earlier. But the trend goes down again. Now that February has passed, we can take sunspot data from December 1 through February 28 to calculate a three month average, centered on January. The total daily sunspot numbers for that period was 208, divide that by 90 days, and the result is 2.3.

Here are the numbers for the recent past, updated through last month:

Jan 07 22.7
Feb 07 18.5
Mar 07 11.2
Apr 07 12.2
May 07 15.8
Jun 07 18.7
Jul 07 15.4
Aug 07 10.2
Sep 07 5.4
Oct 07 3.0
Nov 07 6.9
Dec 07 8.1
Jan 08 8.5
Feb 08 8.4
Mar 08 8.4

Apr 08 8.9
May 08 5.0
Jun 08 3.7
Jul 08 2.0
Aug 08 1.1
Sep 08 2.5
Oct 08 4.5
Nov 08 4.4
Dec 08 3.7
Jan 09 2.3

Just as Cycle 23 had a double-peak, we are perhaps observing a double bottom, centered on August 2008 and early 2009, or with the second minimum perhaps some time in the near future. We won't know it until it has passed, but it sure feels like a minimum at the moment.

The lack of sunspots has been gaining attention outside of the usual scientific, amateur astronomer and amateur radio circles, and with so many people commenting on it who have no familiarity whatsoever with solar cycles and sunspots, we are bound to see poor judgment passed on as settled fact.

For years, non-scientists (I am one too) have occasionally attempted to correlate sunspot trends with everything from social unrest, cardboard box production, and stock market averages, to climate and hem lengths, with no success. Or, at least the conclusions were not reproducible.

A year ago, some of us witnessed up close the resulting flap when a daily financial news organ grossly misquoted an astrophysicist, claiming he had predicted decades of few if any sunspots, accompanied by endless winter. Even though the scientist denied ever saying those things, the story seemed to develop a life of its own, a sort of social virus that spread widely very quickly, nearly impossible to correct.

As a long time fan of contemporary folklore, I thought it might be interesting to track this particular meme, so I used a popular search engine feature in which I registered a particular string (the word sunspot, in this case), and every day it sent me a summary of every new use of this word found on web sites, in blogs, Usenet newsgroups, and newspapers, along with links to these articles.

One of the common mistakes I found involved the difference between number of sunspots and sunspot numbers. For instance, the sunspot number is 11 if there is a single sunspot, and 23 if there are three sunspots in two groups. So someone looks at old sunspot records, sees a sunspot number of 150 for a certain day, and assumes that the appearance of 150 simultaneous sunspots in a single day is a common occurrence.

Or they might take a look at a graph of smoothed sunspot numbers, such as the one at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/SolarCycle/, and complain because the graph had recently changed without notice, or that the graph at the current date was incorrect, because it showed the cycle turning up, when that has not happened.

What they don't know is that every point on the graph is based on the average of a year of sunspot data, and is placed in the middle of that year. So for any points within the past six months, up to half are based on predicted data. So if NOAA predicts sunspot numbers to rise in the future, it is normal to see the graph rising when in fact the sunspot numbers have not yet increased. Some of the erroneous accounts have pushed some sort of conspiracy theory, claiming that "the government" doesn't want us to know how rare recent sunspots have become.

Sometimes a letter to the editor of a newspaper, or a blog remark, will state without attribution to any source, that the sunspot number for a certain month was only 3. They probably heard somewhere that there were only three sunspots making an appearance one month, when the actual average daily sunspot number for the month was several times that.

On April 20, 2007 in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP017 we told you about Jeff Lackey, K8CQ of St. Simon's Island, Georgia (see http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2007-arlp017.html) and his HF rain gutter stealth antenna. At the time Jeff said that after less than four months he had worked 121 countries in 33 zones with this arrangement.

The antenna used his rain gutters and downspouts, and you can see a diagram of the antenna in the March 2009 issue of CQ Magazine, on page 52. Included are a nice photo of Jeff, and another of the tuning arrangement, which uses an automatic antenna tuner at the base of the antenna.

The article says that Jeff has now worked 220 "DX entities" in 37 zones, less than two years later, and Jeff told us on Thursday that the total is now 243/38, with 87 countries on 80 meters. Jeff says the gutter antenna is a tricky tune on 160 meters, but there he has worked 34 states, 3 provinces and 7 countries.

Asram Chou, BV2WM of Taiwan is translating this weekly bulletin into Chinese and posting it on the web at,
http://tw.myblog.yahoo.com/bv2wm-tw/ and
http://bv2wmtpe.blogspot.com/. I used Google Language Services at http://www.google.com/language_tools?hl=en to translate it back to English, and was interested to see that even with the automatic translation it was pretty close to the original.

Bob King, K7OFT of Seattle, Washington sent in an interesting link to a December 2008 conference where multiple papers on the start of Cycle 24 are stored. See it at,

http://sprg.ssl.berkeley.edu/RHESSI/napa2008/pts.php.

For anyone in Seattle this Thursday afternoon, March 12 at 3:30 PM
is a presentation at University of Washington's Johnson Hall in room
102 about probing the Earth's ionosphere with lightning. See the
program schedule on the web at,
http://www.geophys.washington.edu/web/ess/program/seminars/WIN09Seminars.htm
l
link. With a map from, http://www.washington.edu/home/maps/, you
can locate Johnson Hall.

This weekend is the ARRL International SSB DX Contest. We can
assume conditions will include no sunspots and very stable
geomagnetic conditions. NOAA and USAF predict a planetary A index at
5 for March 6-12, and Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet
conditions, March 6-12.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers,
email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL
Technical Information Service web page at,
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed
explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past
propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve
overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this
bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for February 26 through March 4 were 12, 0, 0, 0, 0,
0, and 0 with a mean of 1.7. 10.7 cm flux was 69.9, 68.9, 70.6,
69.4, 69.2, 69.1, and 69.7 with a mean of 69.5. Estimated planetary
A indices were 2, 8, 5, 3, 2, 5 and 7 with a mean of 4.6. Estimated
mid-latitude A indices were 2, 7, 4, 2, 0, 5 and 5 with a mean of
3.6.
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9211. Time change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-07 23:43:16 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9211 Message: 9211

At 2 a.m. tomorrow [Sunday] morning we move our clocks forward (Spring forward) one hour for those who participate in Daylight Saving Time. Make sure your computer is setup to make an automatic time change. I'm running Windows XP with auto updates so no worries here.

73 de Rene WB6PSY

9212. Operating RTTY split

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-08 13:32:59 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 9212 Message: 9212

This might sound a bit basic for some of you 'Old Dogs', but I've been having a problem when working [should read: TRYING TO WORK!] dx stations who are operating split.

When I click on the spot in Spot Collector, the DX-spotting component of DX Labs Suite, everything went as it was supposed to: My 746Pro changed frequency, the split was selected and entered on VFOB, and showed on the screen. The only problem was that when I tried to call, the rig would not transmit! A clue is that this did not happen when working simplex, or when working PSK31.

Turns out that you have to be in the LSB-D mode on the IC 746Pro to transmit in RTTY [USB-D for PSK31]. HOWEVER, you also have to have VFOB in LSB-D mode TOO!

As I said, pretty basic, but I've been noticing some newbies posting to the list lately, so I thought I'd share my EUREKA moment.

I'm cross-posting this to a couple of other groups, so apologies if you get it more than once...

73,

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

9213. Re: Operating RTTY split

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-08 14:03:26 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9212 Message: 9213

Phil

Don't know about the Pro but I use a ProIII and a IC7000. Neither are used in RTTY-D mode and both transmit fine on splits triggered by double clicking on a packet spot in Spotcollector.

You may want to check the DXklabs reflector.

Bob KB1JZU

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> 73,
>
> Phil/VE1BVD
> Sydney, NS
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9214. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #899.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-08 18:25:37 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9214 Message: 9214

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Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 899.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 899.1
BID: $OPDX.899.1
March 8, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, Texas DX Society (K5DX), Toze/CT1GFK and Gary/ZL2IFB for the following DX information.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update). Gary, ZL2IFB, Webmaster for ZL7T.com, informs OPDX (edited): "ZL7T is QRV from 160 to 15m inclusive to date. They have a slow and unreliable Internet connection but successfully uploaded their log yesterday and anticipate another two log updates before they close down on March 10th. There is a log search function on the Web site along with a blog page with the latest news from the team. They have reported big pileups but gratifyingly courteous ones. I am collating ZL7T spots to give a 'near real time' indication of the actual propagation on the site, supplementing the predictions made before they departed to the ZL mainland, and some spectrum displays and captured audio so visitors can experience what it's like to be on the receiving end of a pileup at least 37 callers deep!" The ZL7T Web page is at: http://www.zl7t.com

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5C, MOROCCO (Update/IOTA Op). Alfredo, IK7JWX, informs that he is preparing for a DXpedition (with 9 operators) to activate Mogador Island (AF-065), April 19-25th. With almost 75% of IOTA participants needing this island, the group is still looking for sponsors and donations. If you can help, please contact Alfredo, IK7JWX, via E-mail at: ik7jwx2003@...
Activity will be on all HF-VHF bands and all modes (CW, SSB, RTTY PSK31). Operators mentioned (with callsigns) to be active are: Oscar/IK2AQZ (5C2A), Carlo/IK6CAC (5C2C), Ernesto/I2FUG (5C2F), Del/IZ7GWZ (5C2G), Alfredo/IK7JWX (5C2J), Leo/I8LWL (5C2L), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Pino/I8YGZ (5C2Z) and Nicola/I0SNY (5C2Y). QSL via their home callsign. ADDED NOTE: Some of the reference numbers to be activated during this operation are:
Mogador Island - AF-065; WW.Loc. IM51CM; ITU 37; CQ 33
Essaouira Island - WW.Loc. IM51CL

ARLHS Lighthouses (callsign/m):
MOR-019 Cape Sim-Essaouira; WW.Loc. IM51CL
MOR-036 Sidi Magdul-Essaouira; WW.Loc. IM51BJ
MOR-040 Grand Jetee-Agadir; WW.Loc. IM50EJ
For details on how to help and updates, visit their Web page at:
http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Member of the Texas DX Society will be active as C91TX from Bilene, Maputo Province, between March 25th and April 5th. Bilene is 180km from the capital city of Maputo. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters with 3 active stations, one station each for CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. They will participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). Operators mentioned are: Cal/WF5W, Paul/W5PF, Madison/ W5MJ, Bill/K5WAF, Dale/KG5U and Jim/N4AL. QSL Manager for C91TX is W5PF. Depending on internet access, they hope to have an online log search page once operations start, but don't expect daily updates. For updates, visit the Texas DX Society C91TX Web page at: http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html

LAST MINUTE LIGHTHOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT. Members of the Algarve S.T.A.R. DX team will be active as CS6A on March 15th, from Murtinas Posterior Lighthouse (POR-126). This will be the FIRST ever activation from this lighthouse. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are: Toze/CT1GFK, Al/CT1GPQ, Mike/CT1IUA and Rui/ CT2IHP. QSOs are valid for the new award DFFA - Algarve Lights and Lighthouses Award. The Algarve DX Team will update their Web site during the activity with pictures and an online log at: http:algarvedx.com
QSL via CT1GFK, by the Bureau, direct or for E-mail Bureau QSL requests send to: cu8at@...
Also, for more details on their two new recently added awards (D.I.A. - Algarve Islands Award and D.F.F.A. - Algarve Lighthouses Award), visit the above Web page.

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1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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9215. [425ENG] 425 DX Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-08 21:17:34 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 2440 Message: 9215

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (February 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in February, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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9216. (no subject)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 00:00:30 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9216 Message: 9216

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Al, VE1AL

9217. Re: [DX-IS]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 01:47:33 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9216 Message: 9217

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Dale K8TS

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From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, March 9, 2009 12:00:30 AM GMT +00:00 GMT Britain, Ireland, Portugal
Subject: [DX-IS]

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9218. 40 metre SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 02:35:02 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9218 Message: 9218

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For whatever reason, it has shifted up, and this is a good thing.

73, Paul VE1DX

9219. Re: [DX-IS] 40 metre SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 02:42:04 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9218 Message: 9219

Now if we can only get RTTY to move up so the activity in the never ending RTTY contest will stop QRMing 40 CW and the state QSO parties.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 3/8/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] 40 metre SSB
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sunday, March 8, 2009, 9:35 PM

At 10:47 PM 3/8/2009, you wrote:

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9220. CQ Zone for Antarctica

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 02:55:53 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9220 Message: 9220

According to CQ Magazine's list, Antarctica (CE9/KC4) is listed zone 12,13,29,30,38,or 39. Way back 20-25 years ago I recall being told by someone who I thought would know that it was a "wild card" and you could count it as any of those 6 Zones that "touched" it.

I see VP8DLM and CE9/K2ARB are logged in DXKeeper as zone 13. 8J1RL is zone 39 and R1AND is zone 38. Does anyone know if there is a rule or the like that ties them back to the parent country? Even if it does, VK8 is British and 8J1RL is Japan. Is the Antarctica zone determined by which adjacent zone they are physically closest to in Antarctica, or is it really a wild card (for CQ WAZ Awards in particular?)

73, Paul VE1DX

9221. Antarctica Zones - found the answer!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 02:59:47 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9221 Message: 9221

Antarctic notes:

The boundaries of CQ zones 12, 13, 29, 30, 32, 38 and 39 converge at the South Pole.

Stations KC4AAA and KC4USN are at the South Pole, and will count for any one of the listed zones.

Most Antarctic stations indicate their zone on the QSL card.

VK0GM 29, VP8ME 38; YB8ANT 38, and ZL5AA 30. The list changes frequently. Questions regarding the zone of a particular Antarctic station should be directed to the WAZ Manager.

9222. DD

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 03:58:20 UTC
From: Marg and Rob
Topic: 9222 Message: 9222

What has happened to Danny Douglas? Lance (VK6DU.. did you get any replies re the polar cap propagation ? ... Bob VK6HG

9223. TO'S

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 16:31:34 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9223 Message: 9223

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Dale K8TS

9224. Re: [DX-IS] TO'S

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 16:51:46 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9223 Message: 9224

At 01:31 PM 3/9/2009, Dale Cole K8TS wrote:

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Hi Dale,

Joe, W4TV, posted the link below on the DX Labs support list:

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Look at Annex IV (pg 4). Although the entire document is French,
this page is a table and you can mostly figure it out. Also Mike,
K1MK, (who incidentally has a great article in QST this month on the
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Hopefully this is enough to sort it all out. Remember, the USA
isn't 100% squeaky clean in this regard as K5D doesn't follow the
standard prefix for Desecheo.

73, Paul VE1DX

9225. Re: QSL from 5N8NDP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 17:22:32 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9207 Message: 9225

I have responded individually to this note but I need to post one up here to let folks know that some QSL are recieved.

I have QSL'd 5N8NDP via IK5JAN direct for both myself and my club call (W1SLF) using the standard methods (green stamps).

I recieved responses for both in 6-7 months.

Ciao

Bob KB1JZU

9226. TO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 18:16:50 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9226 Message: 9226

Thanks Paul--and yes we "southerner's are not either ==KC4AAA is Antartica; KC4AA is CONUS, go figure...

Dale K8TS

9227. Re: [DX-IS] TO'S

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 19:18:49 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9223 Message: 9227

Thanks Paul!

Maybe in my meger mind I can overcome all the French hi hi......but it does seem quite straight forwaes. Hopefully I can now "clean up" my mis-spellings and guess'es for my log. Might even find a new one, but I doubt it. (the e7, and hd2 had me going though)

Dale

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@ve1dx.net>
To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, March 9, 2009 4:51:46 PM GMT +00:00 GMT Britain, Ireland, Portugal
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TO'S

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9228. ZA5X

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 19:33:32 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9228 Message: 9228

Anyone know if this station is for real? I can't find any reference in any of the call books or the usual places on the Internet. Worked him on 20 this AM and I see a spot for him on 40 just now. ZA5 seems to be a bit unusual for Albania. Not that it is super rare, but I would have thought there'd be a QRZ.COM entry, or mention of it in some of the DX bulletins.

73, Paul VE1DX

9229. Pending Postal Rate Increase

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 20:35:45 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9229 Message: 9229

Anytime we have an increase in Postal Rates it causes problems

when QSL'ing stateside.

One can always use the "Forever" stamp or the Breast Cancer

Semi-Postal issue, but I have found in the past that a lot of QSL

managers are unaware that additional postage is not required on

SASE's using these stamps.

One answer may be, they have Junior affixing the additional postage

and he wouldn't know the difference in the stamps.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9230. Best low band rig <$600

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-09 21:34:28 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9230 Message: 9230

I realize that limiting oneself to a budget of less than $600 will decrease the list considerably, but in the list member's opinion, what is the best DXing and contesting for the low bands (30m-80m) for less than $600.

73s John AA5JG

9231. Re: [DX-IS] Best low band rig <$600

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-10 00:12:56 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9230 Message: 9231

I submit the TenTec Corsair II, Corsair, and Omni-D XCVRs as great low band DXing radios. They may not be competitive in contesting as some of the used Japanese rigs (less than $600) with computer interfaces for rig control but you may have to choose between a rig that can hear and one that can talk.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...l

From: John Geiger
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2009 4:34 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com ; okdxa@...
Subject: [DX-IS] Best low band rig <$600

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9232. Re: [DX-IS] Best low band rig <$600

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-10 01:29:43 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9230 Message: 9232

Hi Gary,

Yes, some of those rigs came to find for myself also. I have heard that the Corsair II is one of the best ever CW rigs. Would like to find out someday.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 3/9/09, CSM(r) Gary Huber <glhuber@...> wrote:

From: CSM(r) Gary Huber <glhuber@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Best low band rig <$600
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com, okdxa@..., "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
Date: Monday, March 9, 2009, 7:12 PM

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9233. Newest IRCs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-10 13:33:17 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9233 Message: 9233

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I have a wad of IRCs due to expire at the end of this year. Is there a newer version of the IRC available that expires sometime beyond the end of 2009?

Not likely to use all these up before the end of the year. May have to visit the post office and redeem them. Better to lose some of the money than to lose it all!

Art - N4PJ

9234. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #899.2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-10 21:24:23 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9234 Message: 9234

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.899.2
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 899.2

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 899.2
BID: $OPDX.899.2
March 10, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, John/W9ILYK and the KDXC Web page for the following DX information.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

S2, BANGLADESH (Op Cancelled). Members of the Korea DX Club had to cancel their operation from Dhaka due to a civil war that broke out in the city. The KDXC team mentions that the "Situation is chaotic", and the team was going back to Korea. Unfortunately, the team's callsign S21KD was cancelled when they first arrived, and they tried to get a new license. However, Friday and Saturday were holidays in Bangladesh. They did get a new license on Sunday, S21ZCY, and moved to another location 2 1/2 hours away. The team hoped to be on the air that day but could not retrieve the radio gear from the airport. Safety was the team's first priority, so they cancelled and headed back home. They hope to get another chance to operate from S2-land soon. For more details and updates, please visit the following Web page at: http://dxpedition.co.kr

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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9235. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #899.3

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-11 22:04:48 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9235 Message: 9235

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.899.3
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 899.3

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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March 11, 2009
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VK9LA NEWS RELEASE MARCH 12TH

LOW BAND OPERATIONS.......

Extensive work has taken place to make sure all operators are familiar with various sunrise sunset times throughout the world.

Lord Howe island Sunset is at approx 07.36utc with Sunrise being 19.36utc (taken at 27th March 2009). We have all been familiarizing ourselves with possible propagation openings for all points of the globe.

A complete list in an ascending pecking order will be at every HF station for operators to continually check. It is our plan to have an operator on deck on 160m from 07.40utc daily to work all the Pacific areas followed by various parts of Asia somewhere around 08.50utc. From then we will look towards South Americas at around 09.35utc thru to approx 10.15utc when we will begin looking for W1 in USA at approx 10.30utc then head to again some parts of Asia and then VE3 and W4 around 11.30utc as well as TI and XE areas. UA9 around 13.30utc followed by W6 etc.

At approx 15.00utc we will begin searching for the likes of EK, 4L, UA1 followed by 4X at 15.45 and then the likes of 5B.

Hopefully we will get a shot at South Africa around 16.15utc then head up again into EU territory to LZ around 16.35utc, HA and so on leading up to I, LA, OZ, HB and G lands at 18.20utc.This procedure will be done every day we are there. This will also be adopted on 80m as well as 75m as we have 2 stations on air simultaneously on the same band, as well as 40m. We expect big long openings on all bands below 20m. We would however request that you be patient. It will take us a couple of days to install all low band antennas.

We would also request that once you are in the log to please do not call the next night, let someone else have a go my pet hate is to see the same station in the log on the same band over and over.

Cu in the pile ups..... Bill VK4FW.... Dxpedition Leader

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9236. RE: [DX-IS] Newest IRCs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 01:08:51 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 9233 Message: 9236

Art,

Before doing going to the US Postal "service," check with some of your local DX'ers.

Considering that IRC's are retailing for over $2 each right now (when you can find them!) but can only be redeemed for a $.94 stamp... surely there are other DX'ers in your vicinity who'd be willing to split the difference with you...

(And if I needed any, which I don't at the moment, I'd be talking to you myself...)

73, ron w3wn

-----Original Message-----
From: "Art Burke" aburkefl@... aburkefl
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2009 6:33 am ((PDT))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Newest IRCs

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9237. Midway Island coming to a radio near you

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 02:17:45 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9198 Message: 9237

PRESS RELEASE

Midway Island 2009

A multi national team of 19 operators will activate Midway Island in October 2009. The US Fish & Wildlife Service has authorized amateur operation from this rare US entity for only a 10 day period, its first radio activity in almost 10 years.

Midway Island ranks number 24 worldwide and number 13 in Europe on the DX Magazine?s ?Most Wanted List?. Activity will be on 6 meters to 160 meters with 5 to 6 stations. At least one station will be active on 20 meters around the clock for those who need it for a new country. Major efforts will be made to meet the demand to the most needed geographical areas, the low bands and RTTY.

Team members are AA4NN, EA1IR, DJ9ZB, KH7U, KI6TVS, KL2A, N1DG, N4PN, N4XP, N6GQ, N7CQQ, WB4JTT, W6KK, W6OSP, WA7NB, W8CAA, W8GEX, WA8NJR, and OK1KT. Off site support is being provided by AA1V, W5DNT and W6XA.

Travel to Midway is only allowed by chartered aircraft. Because of the size of the aircraft, the team is presented with unique challenges. As such, the aircraft will only be able to carry the team requiring the equipment to be shipped by boat some months ahead. Adding to the high cost of transportation, daily fees and other charges established by the USF&WLS makes this operation very expensive.

A web site has been established and can be found at www.midway2009.com.

Please support this endeavor by sending a donation. To make it easy to donate you can contribute electronically using the web site or if you choose regular means you may do so. Instructions are given on the web site for either method.

Updates will be published on the web site as they become available.

Tom N4XP & Dave WB4JTT

Co Leaders for Midway Island 2009

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2006 inductee into the CQ Magazine DX Hall of Fame
Member: FOC, ARRL, DDXA, YCCC

SKYPE: aurumtel

Please consider the environment before printing this email

9238. K5D Apology

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 02:48:22 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9238 Message: 9238

To one and all:

I have received many personal emails on the subject of the K5D expedition in reference to my superfluous, redundant contacts on the
same band and same mode with K5D.

All of the emails have pointed to the fact that the redundancy was not appreciated, nor should it be an acceptable form of operation
on my part.

The more mature approaches of correction, I have appreciated and thank all of those who took the time to write me. The others I have
no comment for. However, I agree with all on the fact that the redundancy should not have taken place.

So here - I offer my public apology to the DX community and announce that my lesson has been learned that that type of operation
will not be conducted from this station again.

73 fer nw es gud DX,
QSL VIA: LotW, BUR, e-QSL
Bob AD5VJ
http://www.ad5vj.com/
Old Calls WB5ZQU, WY5L/KH3, KE5CTY, N5IET

9239. E44M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 02:53:16 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 8454 Message: 9239

Just recieved notice that E44M qsls are ready and will start sending first batch of directs vere soon.

Dale K8TS

9240. Navassa Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 18:47:01 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9240 Message: 9240

Now that KP5 has been activated thanks to the KP1-KP5 project, is there any word of KP1 being close behind? Sorry if this has been covered recently, I have been off the list for awhile. I have NF6S/KP1 confirmed on 20 cw and 6Y5NR/KP1 confirmed on 15 CW, but would like KP1 on the lower bands, 6 meters and RTTY.

73s John AA5JG

9241. Re: [DX-IS] Navassa Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 18:57:36 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9240 Message: 9241

My guess is that the group that went to KP5 is going to take a while to recuperate. They had to spend extra $ out of their own pockets to get onto and off the island by helicopter, which wasn't in the original plans.

I haven't heard anything about anyone else with plans to get to KP1. I remember Vance, W5IJU/N5VL once told me he was ready to go to Navassa again at a moment's notice. He was part of the NF6S/W5IJU group that went there. But Vance is a Silent Key now.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Mar 12, 2009 at 1:47 PM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

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Topic: 9240 Message: 9242

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9243. Re: [DX-IS] Navassa Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 19:40:35 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9240 Message: 9243

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From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Navassa Island
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Thursday, March 12, 2009, 1:58 PM

At 03:47 PM 3/12/2009, you wrote:

>Now that KP5 has been activated thanks to the KP1-KP5 project, is
>there any word of KP1 being close behind? Sorry if this has been
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9244. ARLD010 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-12 21:29:11 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 2047 Message: 9244

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DX Bulletin 10 ARLD010
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 12, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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UGANDA, 5X. Nick, G3RWF is QRV as 5X1NH for two months. He is active generally on 80 and 40 meters during his early mornings and evenings using mostly CW. If propagation permits, he may be active using SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as well. QSL to home call.

ZAMBIA, 9J. Gabriel, YO4HEK is QRV as 9J2YO and is here for one year. He is active on all bands using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via YO4ATW.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Operators DL3KBQ, DL1COP, DJ2VO, DG3KAF, DL2RSI, DH2KI and DL3PS are QRV as D44TXQ, D44TXP, D44TXO, D44TXF, D44TXR, D44TXI and D44TXS, respectively, from Sal Island, IOTA AF-086, until March 25. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV, PSK31, Feld Hell and AMTOR with seven stations active. QSL to home calls.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Jon, LA3JJ is QRV as EA8/homecall from Fuerteventura Island, IOTA AF-004, until March 26. Activity is on 30 and 17 meters, and possibly 12 meters, using CW. QSL to home call.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Stephane, F5UOW is QRV as FR/homecall from Boucan Canot until March 28. Activity is on 20 meters using mostly CW, holiday style. QSL to home call.

NORTHERN IRELAND, GI. Special event station GB5SPD will be QRV from March 14 to 17 in celebration of St. Patrick's Day. QSL via operators' instructions.

ITALY, I. Special event stations II0IDP, II0IDR, II0IGU, II1ICS, II1IGG, II8ICN and II9ICF are QRV until March 22 while representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy. QSL via bureau.

GRENADA, J3. Colin, G3VCQ and Sharon, M3VCQ are QRV as J38CW and J38/M3VCQ, respectively, until March 26. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY and PSK. Look for J38CW to be an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL both calls via G3VCQ.

GUINEA-BISSAU, J5. Peter, HA3AUI is QRV as J5UAP and is here until March 31. He is active on 160 to 6 meters using mostly digital modes with some CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Masa, JD1BMM is QRV from Marcus Island, IOTA OC-073, until March 22 while on business. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes in his spare time. QSL direct.

FAROE ISLANDS, OY. Lars, OZ1FJB will be QRV as OY/homecall from March 16 to April 1. Activity will be on the HF bands using mostly CW with some SSB. He will also be active on 60 Meters on 5403.5 kHz between 2100 and 2359z and then from 0600 to 0700z. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the TC Special Wireless Activity Team will be QRV as TC18M from March 17 to 19 from Canakkale on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles to commemorate the 94th anniversary of the naval battle of Gallipoli. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via TA3FB.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R150ASP will be QRV from Gogland Island, IOTA EU-133, from March 14 to 17 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of radio pioneer Alexander Stepanovich Popov. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via RF3C.

ST. KITTS AND NEVIS, V4. Nick, G4FAL is QRV as V4/G4FAL from St. Kitts, IOTA NA-104, until March 17. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using mostly CW. This includes being an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth contest as V47CD. QSL to home call.

COCOS (KEELING) ISLAND, VK9C. Bernd, VK2IA will be QRV as VK9AA from March 14 to 27. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via DL8YR.

CAMBODIA, XU. Yuki, JH1NBN should be QRV as XU7ADJ from Phnom Penh and Preah Vihear from March 14 to 20. He will be here on business and active as time allows. QSL to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Desecheo Island, K5D, 2009 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The North American RTTY Sprint, CLARA HF Contest, NCCC Sprint, HA3NS Sprint Memorial Contest, RSGB Commonwealth CW Contest, AGCW QRP CW Contest, ARCI HF Grid Square CW Sprint, EA PSK31 Contest, SOC Marathon CW Sprint, Elecraft QSO Party, Idaho QSO Party, UBA Spring 6-Meter Contest and Wisconsin QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest and Bucharest Contest are both scheduled for March 16. Please see March QST, page 78 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9245. Re: [DX-IS] Navassa Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 13:51:24 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9240 Message: 9245

At 04:40 PM 3/12/2009, John Geiger wrote:
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 14:27:48 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9240 Message: 9246

Hi Paul,

I quick look at the QSL file shows that I have W1VX/KH4 confirmed on 20 and 10 CW from April 2001. I think there was some activity after that, but I could be wrong. I also have KH4 confirmed on 20 SSB from 1982, I think that was the last QSO I made with my KA0IFG call before getting a N 1 x 3 call (N0EEN).

Yes, South Sandwich is supposed to be very difficult to get to and operate from, which is sure to add to its rareness. Still, that is the last country I need to close out South America and I missed the VP8THU DXpedition-by the time the propagation got really good here on the last day they were there I had to go teach a night class. I don't think cancelling class for a DXPedition would have cut it with the administration. I missed a huge aurora opening back in 2000 for the same reason.

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From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
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9247. Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 15:11:06 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9247 Message: 9247

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4) Al Gore

73 de Brian/K3KO

9248. Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 15:56:58 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 9247 Message: 9248

Brian, those 160M Yagis actually work better with low sunspots numbers. If the owners were being punished, sunspots would actually increase quickly.

We just have a top-loaded vertical for 160 and so are not responsible for the slow return.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from Miquelon this July for the IARU contest

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 15:57:38 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9247 Message: 9249

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9250. Re: [DX-IS] Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 16:17:21 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9247 Message: 9250

At 12:57 PM 3/13/2009, you wrote:
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>look forward to the CQWWSSB contest weekend. During that weekend I had
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I can attest to the truth of this! I was at a friend's house
(now a SK) around the peak of cycle 21 and he had a 5-element
monobander at ~70 feet. He regularly used to rag-chew with A5s!! I
was not a Ham at the time, but those who were and were using the
standard tribander at 50 feet told me they could hardly tell the A5
was there and the guy with the 5-el beam was hearing them S7-S8. (A5
and anything in that part of the world is the tough path from VE1
land on any band.)

Even with a modest tribander at the cycle peak, it usually is
wall to wall DX from 28.001 to 28.800 from daybreak to dusk, and
often the band is wide open to most of the world well after
dark. 10M, crammed with contesters looking for multipliers, could
easily produce 200+ countries on a weekend. You don't need spotting
aids because they are jammed so close together you just tune the band
slowly and knock them off one after another. When you get to the
top, you jut start over again because by then you have 3-4 log pages
full and propagation has shifted enough that you'll be working new
stuff on your next pass through.

This is not an exaggeration, and the sunspots *will*
return. Maybe it takes this prolonged trough for us to appreciate
when the flux is up in the 120-170 range.

On a negative note, we seem to have gotten a bit of a bump in
the GMF in the past 24 hours and a guy is lucky to hear EU from the
east coast today. Flux is 69 and there were a string of K=4
overnight. I worked a F and a DL who were actually S8-S9 and thought
it was healing, and then they said they were running a KW to a 4 and
5 element monobander at around 100 feet. I likely was hearing them
on ground wave with that kind of setup . . . however, in a day or
two, at least 20 will return to normal.

73, Paul VE1DX

9251. Re: [DX-IS] Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 16:29:25 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9247 Message: 9251

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It's possible, Brian, but you have to spend every available minute in front of the rig (at the solar minima like we are now experiencing.) You couldn't do it without spotting aids with conditions as they are now. As I said in my other post, it's a different ball game at the top of the cycle. Openings now are short lived and unpredictable. You need (in my view, and I stand to be corrected), the DX Cluster to tell you that the ones you need popped out of the noise on 15 or 17 for 10 minutes when you are concentrating on 20. So yes, I fully believe 284 countries and all 40 zones are possible in a year, even with the dismal conditions we now have. Not without a DX Cluster, though.

As to why we are stuck with no sunspots . . . we have observations for about 250 years. Only those from the last 100 years or so are reliable. In the geological time scale of ~4 billion years, this isn't even a blip on the screen. Who knows if the 11 year mean of the solar cycle is something that is reliably repeatable? Who knows if 11 years is the true frequency?

I don't think even the best solar physicists understand why the sunspots come and go, and why the solar magnetic poles flip at this frequency. All we can go on is our very short time series of past observations and hope it continues a couple more times. After that, I personally don't care! :-)

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9252. [425ENG] 425 DX News #932

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 16:37:24 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9252 Message: 9252

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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9A - Special event station 9A09P will be active through the end of the year to celebrate the city of Djurdjevac. A special QSL will be issued and all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX 9A2JK]
9H - Valentin, DL5GA will be active as 9H3GA from Malta (EU-023) on 17-24 March. He will operate holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX DL5GA]
C9 - Cal/WF5W, Paul/W5PF, Madison/W5MJ, Bill/K5WAF, Dale/KG5U and Jim/N4AL will be active on 160-10 metres as C91TX from Bilene, Mozambique from 25 March to 5 April. They plan to have three stations (one for CW, one for SSB and one for digital modes) with amplifiers, log periodics, a 4-square for 40m and possibly a 4-square for 80m, and a vertical for 160, 80 and 30m. They will also participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via W5PF, direct or bureau. The page for the operation can be found on the Texas DX Society's site (http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html). [TNX K5DX]
E5 - Tim, NL8F will be active as E51COF from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands from 21 March to 4 April. He plans to operate SSB on 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 and maybe 17 metres. QSl via K8NA. [TNX www.islandchaser.com]
GI - The Foyle & District ARC will be active as GB5SPD on 14-17 March to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. QSL via MN0AKU, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
KH4 - After a seven-year hiatus, in late January 2009 the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service announced that they would once again allow amateur radio operations from Midway Atoll (OC-030) "on a trial basis" [425DXN 926]. A multi national team of 19 operators will be active as K4M from Midway for ten days between 5 and 19 October. They will have 5-6 stations active on 160-6 metres, with at least one station on 20m around the clock. Further information, including details on how contribute to this expensive expedition, can be found at www.midway2009.com.
OY - Lars, OZ1FJB will be active as OY/OZ1FJB from the Faroe Islands

(EU-018) from 16 March to 1 April. He will be QRV during his spare time, indicatively on 21-24 UTC and 6-7 UTC, and will operate mainly CW with some SSB. He has also been permitted to operate on 60 metres, look for him on 5403.5 khz USB. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
S2 - Upon arrival in Dhaka, just in the middle of a civil unrest, the Korea DX Club's team found out that the previously issued licence (S21KD) had been revoked. They were able to get a new licence (S21ZCY) on 8 March, but they could not retrieve the radio gear that had been confiscated at the airport. On 10 March, while the local situation was deteriorating, they surrendered and cancelled the operation, as "safety is the first priority". Their website is at http://dxpedition.co.kr/
TK - Dragan/9A2SX, Igor/9A3AXX, Hrle/9A6XX and Marko/9A8MM will be active as TK/homecall from Corsica (EU-014) on 18-22 March. They will operate on 160-10 metres and will participate in the Russian DX Contest (21-22 March, http://www.rdxc.org/)as TK7P. QSLs via 9A8MM (all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau). [TNX 9A6XX]
V6 - Yoshi, JJ8DEN is currently active as V63PR from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia until 19 March. On 20-24 March he will be active from the Chuuk Islands (OC-011). He expects to operate CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call.
VE - VC3Y is a special callsign for the 50th anniversary of the York Region Amateur Radio Club (http://yrarc.com/yrarc/). The club hopes to have it on the air as much as possible until 31 March. On 21-22 March it will be used by Doug/VE3CWO, Neil/VE3SST, Igor/VE3ZF, Valdas/VE3VO and Brent/VE3IRT to activate Bluffers Park Island (CISA new) and lighthouse. QSL via VE3CWO, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3JI and VE3ZF]
VP5 - Art, N4PJ and Marsha, K4IRI will be active as VP5/N4PJ (CW and RTTY) and VP5/K4IRI (SSB) from Providenciales, Caicos Islands (NA-002) on 17-24 March. They will participate in the Russian DX Contest as VQ5B. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]
XE - Bernardo, XE2HWB will be active as XE2HWB/XF1 from Isla Santa Margarita (NA-078) on 21-23 March, possibly starting around 22 UTC on the 21st. He will operate SSB only, using a battery and a small generator to run 100 watts to a vertical antenna on the beach. He expects to concentrate on 20 metres (+/- 14260 kHz); other frequencies to look for him on are 28560, 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 7055 and 7155 kHz. QSL via N6AWD (direct only). [TNX XE2K]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (February 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

ALGARVE AWARDS ---> The Algarve S.T.A.R. DX Team sponsors two awards for working stations operating from islands and lighthouses of the Portuguese Algarve region. Detailed information on the Diploma das Ilhas do Algarve (Algarve Islands Award) and the Diploma dos Farois e Farolins do Algarve (Algarve Light and Lighthouses Award) can be found at http://algarvedx.com (click on the Awards tab). A collection of on-line logs is available at http://algarvedx.com/logonline [TNX CT1GFK]

DXCC NEWS ---> The recent K5D operation from Desecheo Island has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

RSGB COMMONWEALTH CONTEST ---> The 71st edition of the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest (http://www.beru.org.uk/) will be held on 14-15 March, from 10 UTC to 10 UTC, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Please note that only operators located within the Commonwealth or British Mandated Territories are eligible to enter: "callers outside the Commonwealth call areas can be a serious problem in this contest", Alan Jubb (5B4AHJ/P3J) says, so please check the list at http://www.vhfcc.org/hfcc/information/codes.shtml before calling.

+ SILENT KEYS + Gianni Vincis, IS0VSG passed away on 9 March. A keen DX enthusiast, in recent years he was the pilot station for 6O0N (2006), J20MM/J20RR (2007) and 9L1X (2008). Other recently reported Silent Keys include Cuban veteran Mario Chacon (CO8CH), Marcel Trobrillant (FM5CH), Giuseppe Matinelli (I7JFQ), Charles H. Watters (W4RHE), John M. Ziegler (W6ZZZ) and Tony Loftus (VE3FRK).

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9254. ARLP011 Propagation de K7RA

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>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 13, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP011
ARLP011 Propagation de K7RA

Last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin again mentioned briefly appearing sunspots, and it happened again this week.

For just two days, another Cycle 23 spot appeared, numbered 1014. The latitude of the spot was consistent with an old and fading solar cycle. As this period of quiet Sun drags on, statistic based projections of a return to solar activity continue to be pushed out.

Early Friday morning the planetary K index is rising to 5, then 5. This is from a stream of solar wind bearing down upon us. NOAA and the US Air Force predict a planetary A index of 15 for today (March 13), 10 for Saturday, then back to 5. Tough to forecast this far out, but they show that active region returning on April 9.

On March 10 at 2333z the Australian Space Forecast Center released a bulletin predicting "increased geomagnetic activity expected due to coronal hole high speed wind stream from 13-14 March 2009."

The Center has 26 email alert services that anyone can subscribe to. Check http://www.ips.gov.au/Products_and_Services/4/1 and click on any subject title to subscribe to that list.

Geophysical Institute Prague projects unsettled conditions for March 13-14, and quiet conditions March 15-19.

Chuck Zabreskie, KE5HPY of Houston, Texas wrote with an anecdote about last weekend's propagation.

Chuck wrote, "Thought I'd mention a pleasant surprise last Saturday afternoon (2100-2200Z) during the recent International DX contest. My rig is 100W into a 35' OCF (off-center fed) dipole, nothing fancy. I need to look where the others aren't piled up. 20m was busy as you'd expect so I took a look at 15m after looking at W6EL Prop. Great signals from Peru, Argentina and Brazil among others,

but little heard to the north of my QTH in Houston, Texas (30 deg N). Feeling lucky, I looked at 10m and also had great copy from Argentina and Brazil until 2230. Nothing in W6EL suggested that should be where it appeared. Again, nothing heard to the north of them or here and relatively few US operators coming back to their CQs. Seemed like a pipeline between TX/AZ into that zone."

Chuck continues, "Nothing like a contest to demonstrate what the bands permit. I'll be calling CQ on 10m this Saturday."

He ends with, "Is this a seasonal effect due to the equinox? Is it common to see a small zone on either end of the pipe?"

I thought I would check into Chuck's results using W6ELprop, which should factor in the equinox. Although the program is meant to be used with the predicted smoothed sunspot number for the month, I used a sunspot number of 12 -- the actual daily sunspot number for March 6-7.

Chuck is near Rice University in Houston, and actually sits to the south of the 30th parallel, at 29.725 degrees North latitude.

Using March 7 with a path to Brazil at 15 degrees south, 54 degrees west, I show that as a good time for propagation on 15, and even 10, and especially 20 meters, using the exact coordinates for Chuck's QTH. But I wonder why other North American stations weren't working the South America stations? But it is interesting that W6ELprop shows much less favorable conditions for other stateside areas into Brazil, even from Dallas, which is around the 33rd parallel. Chuck and I will have to compare our results using W6ELprop.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#e mail.

Sunspot numbers for March 5 through 11 were 0, 12, 12, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 3.4. 10.7 cm flux was 69.2, 69.1, 69.1, 68.9, 69.1, 68.8, and 68.9 with a mean of 69. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 2, 1, 8, 2, 3 and 3 with a mean of 3.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 0, 0, 7, 1, 3 and 2 with a mean of 2.3.

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9255. Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-13 20:58:35 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9247 Message: 9255

>Openings now are short
>lived and unpredictable.

No kidding ... I tuned into a spot for H40FN on 20m last night on a lark (it was about midnight) and didn't hear anything but tuned back in one more time about a half hour later and there he was, peaking S5.

All time new one in the log on 20m CW around 0430Z at the bottom of the cycle.

Go figure :-)

9256. UA9XJV QSL Route (circa 1992)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 01:42:46 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9256 Message: 9256

Does anyone know if he is still active or if he has/had a Manager ?

I saw ES4RO listed as Manager, but e-mail to his QRZ address bounces.

I am trying to confirm an old 80 Meter QSO.

Tnx es 73, Dick, W1KSZ

9257. Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 13:47:24 UTC
From: Tom Martin
Topic: 9247 Message: 9257

You can't hear EU but XW on RTTY must be easy, eh Paul?

I can't hear much of anything that you've spotted. NS must be like Kansas for propagation. HI!

By the by, has anyone else found 30 meters tough, when you have to go against KW stations out of the USA?

73,

Tom W8JWN in the UP Black Hole

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9258. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 14:16:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9247 Message: 9258

At 10:47 AM 3/14/2009, Tom Martin wrote:
>You can't hear EU but XW on RTTY must be easy, eh Paul?
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>I can't hear much of anything that you've spotted. NS must be like
>Kansas for propagation. HI!
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>By the by, has anyone else found 30 meters tough, when you have to
>go against KW stations out of the USA?
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>73,
>
>Tom W8JWN in the UP Black Hole

Hi Tom,

I sent a recording to you by direct email of XW1B on 30M. He was extremely loud on 11 March, but hasn't been as good since. March is the month for us on the east coast to work into the Far East. It is our black hole the rest of the year (except during the fall equinox, and the enhancement is to a lesser degree.)

I agree you guys are at a disadvantage regarding 30M and the power restriction. We used to be limited to 100 watts in the 1990s, but that all changed about 10 years ago and it's full power now (as it is in most other countries.) I don't know why the FCC didn't lift the ban on it in the US, but they didn't. Some of the US made amps (QRO and Command Technologies) will not work on 30M and are not easily modified to do so for that very reason. (i.e. it's not as simple as moving a tap on the tank circuit -- they purposely use a blocking LC circuit to disable 10.1 MHz operation.) Others, like Ameritron and TenTec, seem to work fine.

I worked H40FN this AM and was repeatedly beaten out by a lot of "200 watt" Ws, so who knows? It took me 20 minutes and these guys came along and did it with one call. Probably location. :-)

I fully believe DXing should be a level playing field, and the same goes for the Phone allocation on 40M. You guys are at a disadvantage because you can't go below 7.125 MHz. Seems to me we ought to have a world wide agreement on sub-band allocations and power limits. However, it is up to each country, and we have to play the cards we are dealt.

73, Paul VE1DX

9259. Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 19:34:52 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9247 Message: 9259

> I agree you guys are at a disadvantage regarding 30M and the power >restriction.

I think a lot of people are extra-disadvantaged by thinking their tribander and indoor tuner are a sufficient 30m antenna :-)

You get a guy who takes 30m seriously and puts up even a modest beam, and you compare his 200W signals side by side with a bunch of guys with ad-hoc 30m practices, and you're easily going to think he's running a kW...

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Add an extra 3dB if you've got a modest beam on 30m (like a Moxon Rectangle which is pretty reasonable at 10.1MHz) and you're talking 8dB to 10.5dB advantage to the 200W guy.

Granted, not everyone has a big high rotatable antenna on 30m but something like a rotatable dipole at 70 feet is probably within reach for many serious DXers who recognize the utility of a good 30m antenna. 30m has historically been one of the first bands I work some DXpedition on, especially if they're in the Pacific.

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Dan

9260. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 19:50:32 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9247 Message: 9260

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73s John AA5JG

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From: n3oxdan <n3ox.dan@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Sans sunspots
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, March 14, 2009, 2:34 PM

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9261. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 19:57:33 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9247 Message: 9261

At 04:50 PM 3/14/2009, John Geiger wrote:
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73, Paul VE1DX

9262. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 19:59:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9247 Message: 9262

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--- On Sat, 3/14/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Sans sunspots
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, March 14, 2009, 2:57 PM

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9263. BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 21:29:50 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9263 Message: 9263

I needed ZL on 15m and had a heck of a time getting a ZL 'BERU'
contester to answer.
Did he just feel sorry for me and answer even though I didn't qualify
for the contest?
(Didn't have the nerve to ask him).
73,
frank w0ecs

9264. Re: BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-14 23:36:36 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9263 Message: 9264

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>for the contest?

Either that or he just wanted to get you to go away :-)

9265. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 12:35:30 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 9263 Message: 9265

Do USA stations get to participate? We were part of the Empire for about 150 years....

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: n3oxdan
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, March 14, 2009 7:36 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

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9266. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 12:40:59 UTC
From: Marg and Rob
Topic: 9263 Message: 9266

Commonwealth countries .... you can always join us ? ... Rob VK6HG
----- Original Message -----
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; n3oxdan
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2009 9:35 PM
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9267. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 12:54:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9263 Message: 9267

At 09:35 AM 3/15/2009, you wrote:
>Do USA stations get to participate? We were part of the Empire for
>about 150 years....
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>73 Rich NN3W
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Not feel slighted, Rich. I didn't read the fine print and apparently you can't work your own call area. I got the boot from a VE1 last night! Right in my back yard. Pretty "stringent" rules. I'm not a serious contester, so I usually just read the rules to get the bands, exchange and times. Didn't read all the details.

I don't think there are many other contests that don't have a provision where everyone can work everyone, are there? Maybe the EU DX now that I think of it. Seems to me there was something in the Middle East (AS) that I needed a few years ago, and he wouldn't give me a 59. Told me to go away!

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You have a point. I don' know what the criteria is for being mart of the "Commonwealth", but it seems that a lot of the groups that are considered are independent, autonomous countries today. Like Canada, for example. Anyhow, you didn't miss much. A lot of 5NN and serial number exchanges. Some W5 put me on the cluster with the comment "Official BERU Spotter" . . . guess he was getting sick of it, or me, or both!

73, Paul VE1DX

9268. RE: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 14:26:34 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9263 Message: 9268

Cheesh, guys! It seems to me that these same questions come up every year at BERU time. Maybe it is worse this year because conditions are so awful and DX is DX.

I didn't know that stations could not work within their own call area and that being the case, several VE1s I have logged will not be able to claim me for points. But the number of stations who are not in what is known today as the British Commonwealth who were heard calling stations in the contest was much greater than I remember from past BERU contests. I do know that W0ECS did work a ZL on 15M who probably worked Frank because he knew him and it was likely easier to give him a report than to explain that Ws don't count in BERU -- even if, long before radio, the US was a part of the British Empire :-).

BERU, in a nutshell, is for stations who live in countries that are part of the British Commonwealth -- either as full members (countries ruled by Britain -- of which there are very few) or are independent nations that maintain political ties with Britain within a Commonwealth context. BERU is the British Empire Radio Union and goes back to the "beginning of time."

So US stations operated by guys/gals who have had ties to Britain (relatives in Canada or Britain or South Africa or Jamaica) unfortunately can't participate in this contest. Sorry! And certainly stations in France, Germany or the Czech Republic were being ignored by ZC4LI on 40M last night for the same reason :-).

Have a good day and 73,

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2009 9:54 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

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9269. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 15:48:00 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9263 Message: 9269

No, we haven't been able to participate in BERU since 1776! :-)

Some years ago I needed Hong Kong for an all-time new one. There was a very strong signal from a VS6 (prefix at the time) in BERU. I tried to get his attention and tell him I just wanted a QSO. He just wouldn't work me.

Oh well ... got some VS6/VR6 QSO's later on.

73, Zack W9SZ

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9270. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BERU?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 16:52:44 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9263 Message: 9270

>I don't think there are many other contests that don't have a
?provision where everyone can work everyone, are there?

Oh, only WAE, the All Asian contests, ARRL-DX and about 100 others!

I have a "Worked the British Empire" certificate from my days
as a G - you had to work something "Brit" in each continent.
Probably much harder to do these days.

Derek
aa5bt

9271. Re: Sans sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 17:05:59 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9247 Message: 9271

Not True but here is the latest warning from the ARRL

SB QST @ ARL $ARLB011
ARLB011 DXing on 60 meters has a downside, ARRL advises

ZCZC AG11
QST de W1AW
ARRL Bulletin 11 ARLB011
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT April 5, 2007
To all radio amateurs

SB QST ARL ARLB011
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The ARRL is expressing concern that negative consequences could result from chasing DX on 60 meters. Some DXpeditions have announced plans to operate on Amateur Radio's only channelized band, where amateur operations hold secondary status to fixed service operations, including some US government stations. ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, says that while it's legal for DXpeditions to operate on the 5-MHz band provided the licensing administration extends privileges there, DX pileups on 60 meters pose the potential for real and unique problems.

''US amateurs are limited to five channels on 60 meters, USB only, maximum effective radiated power (ERP) of 50 W, audio bandwidth not exceeding 2.8 kHz, and not all of the channels are useable because of ongoing fixed service operation,'' Sumner points out. Upon request of a primary service user, Sumner says, it's ''absolutely imperative'' that hams be prepared to relinquish any 60-meter channel immediately. This means constantly monitoring the transmitting channel. Hams also must not exceed the radiated power limit, he stressed.

Not all countries authorize amateur operation on 60 meters. Transmitting on a 5 MHz frequency without authorization not only breaks the law but jeopardizes the operator's continued participation in the ARRL DXCC program. Five MHz cards submitted for DXCC may not be accepted for credit without evidence the operation was authorized.

Sumner emphasized that causing harmful interference to fixed and mobile service stations could jeopardize even the existing, limited privileges as well as the chances of increasing those privileges on a domestic basis, plus any possibility of obtaining an international

allocation on 60 meters.
NNNN
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9272. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #900

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-15 19:42:46 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9272 Message: 9272

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.900
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th/March, through Sunday, 15th/March there were 225 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). Just a reminder that Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB from March 21st for one week. He will sign 2M1EUB and be active on all the satellites from northeast Scotland. Also, look for him on 160 and 80 meters. Checkout QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

4M5, VENEZUELA. Operators Suer/YY5EBV (YL), Jose/YV5BM and Jhony/YV5KG will be active as 4M5IR during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via YV5KG.

5Z, KENYA (HF and EME Op). Operators Eltje/PA3CEE, Rene/PE1L and Ronald/PA3EWP will be here and active between April 1-12th. Eltje and Rene are expected to be active as 5Z4EME on 2 meters and 70 cm EME. For 2 meters they will be using two 10 element yagis, a 400 watt amp and a preamp (there will be a smaller setup for 70cm). Suggested frequencies for transmitting and receiving will be on 144.124 MHz, and on 144.084 MHz for Japan. Ronald will be active on HF with the call 5Z4/PA3EWP using a Elecraft K2 with a homemade amplifier and vertical antennas for 40-10 meters. QSL 5Z4EME via Eltje, PA3CEE. QSL 5Z4/PA3EWP via Dennis, PA7FM. For complete details, please visit: http://www.emelogger.com/kenya

9A09, CROATIA (Special Event). Members of the Djurdjevac Radio Club will activate special event station 9A09P (Nine Alpha ZERO NINE Papa) between now and December 31st. Activity is to celebrate the city of Djurdjevac, and operations will be on all bands and modes. A special QSL card will be issued with the city's story on it. Under the new administrative division of Croatia, Djurdjevac gained the status of a city only in 1997. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the Bureau.

9H, MALTA (EU-023). Valentin, DL5GA, will be active as 9H3GA between March 17-24th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

9J, ZAMBIA. Gabriel, YO4HEK, will be here for one year and will be active as 9J2YO. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB, and PSK31. Over the past week Gabriel has been very active on 40/30 meters between 1700-2030z. QSL via YO4ATW.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Khalid, A61BK, in Dubai, is expected to be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) probably as a Single-Op entry. QSL via A61BK.

AO1, SPAIN. Operators Ismael/EA1GDX and Ubaldo/EA1GVG will be active as AO1K during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via EA1GVG.

CQGC-2009 CONTEST RULE CHANGES. Please note that some rules for the "2009 Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest", which will be held between 2100z, April 11th and 2100z, April 12th, have been changed. Rules can be viewed at: http://gc.qst.ru/en/section/32
This contest is dedicated to the memory of Yuri Gagarin, who realized the first human flight to space, on April 12, 1961.

DV1, PHILIPPINES. Alex, DV1UBY, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via DV1UBY direct.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC Credit:
K5D - Desecheo Island; 2009 Operation

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Tim, NL8F/VK4COF, will be active as E51COF for 14 days from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) sometime between March 21st and April 4th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters SSB and possibly 17 meters. QSL Manager for this operation is K8NA.

EE2, SPAIN. Members of the Ondarroa Group will be active as EE2W during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EB2BXL.

EI, IRELAND. Olivier, ON4EI, will be active as EI/ON4EI during the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 28th-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/ Non-Assisted. His operations will be from the area of Clonmel (Fethard) Tipperary County (IO62EK). He will be in Ireland between March 25th and April 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using a K3 Elecraft w/100w into various antennas:
160/80/40m : vertical monopole 18M and inverted V.
20m : 10 elements inverted V wire beam East-West design ON4EI.
<http://www.on7wr.be/Gigazette/ON4EI/ON4EI_Wirebeam.pdf>
15/10m : 2 elements horizontal wire beam East-West design VE7CA.

GB5, NORTHERN IRELAND (Special Event). Members of the Foyle and District ARC (MN0AKU) will activate the special event callsign GB5SPD to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day 2009. Activity will take place between Saturday, March 14th, and Tuesday, March 17th. QSL via MN0AKU, direct (QRZ.Com) or by the Bureau.

HOLYLAND CONTEST 2008 RESULTS. Mark, 4Z4KX, informs OPDX that the results for the 2008 Holyland Contest are now available on the IARC Web site at:
http://www.iarc.org/?page_id=3D353/
The 2009 Holyland Contest will take place on Saturday, April 18th, starting at 0000z.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-065. (Update/IOTA Op). Alfredo, IK7JWX, informs that one more operator has been added to the Mogador Island Dxpedition, April 19-26th. Ampelio, IS0AGY, will join the group and sign 5C2B. QSL via his home callsign. He also announced the following suggested frequencies:
CW - 1825, 3525, 7025, 10115, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025
SSB - 1845, 3775, 7055, 14255, 18145, 21255, 24955 and 28455
RTTY - 3585, 7040, 10145, 14085, 18100, 21085, 24920 and 28085
BPSK31 - 3595, 7040, 10145, 18100, 21075, 24915 and 28075 kHz
Activity will be on 2m (SSB and M.S.) and 6m: Stand-by on E sporadic.
The group is still looking for sponsors and donations. For details on how to help and updates, visit their Web page at:
http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org

AS-079. Take, JI3DST, is now active as JS6RRR from Miyako-Jima Islands (AS-079, JIIA AS-079-005) until March 24th. Activity will be on 160/80/40/17/15/12/10/6 meters, CW, SSB, RTTY, FM and SSTV. Take may possibly make side trips to Ikema-jima (JIIA AS-079-001) and Kurima-jima (JIIA AS-079-003). He may possibly use the callsign JI3DST/JS6. QSL via his home callsign through

the JARL Bureau only.

AS-192. Suli, 7Z1SJ, and others will be activating the Red Sea Coast South (Jizan Province) Group this week. The main bands will be 40 and 20 meters, possibly 160 meters. No other details were provided.

EU-006. Members of the Galway Radio Experimenters Club will be active as EJ4GRC from Inishmore Island (WAB Square L71) between 1200z, March 17th and 1200z, March 18th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Visit the club's Web site at: http://www.galwayradio.com

EU-020. Rolf, DK2ZF, is planning to be active as SM1/DK2ZF from Gotland Island (JO96CV) during the month of July. Activity will be mainly 6 and 2 meters as well as 432, 1296 and 2320 MHz. Preferred times will be during Sporadic E and Meteor-scatter. More details are forthcoming.

EU-037. Bernd, DL8AAV, will be active as SD1B/7 from Oland Island (WLOTA 0588) between May 31st and June 12th. Activity will be on the HF bands, SSB only. QSL via DL8AAV, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-014. Heinz, VA7AQ, will be active as VE9/VA7AQ from Grand Manan Island (CISA NB-003, WLOTA LH-0082) between March 20-25th. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-078. Bernardo, XE2HWB, will be active as XE2HWB/XF1 from Santa Margarita Island, March 21-23rd. Activity will be on or around the usual IOTA and island frequencies. QSL via N6AWD, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-141. (Update/Special Event) Members of the Jupiter Tequesta Repeater Group now have a Web page available for next year's activity to activate W4K to celebrate John F. Kennedy's birthday from Peanut Island (USI FL-479, Palm Beach County, FL), May 29-30th, in 2010. Operations will be from "JFK's old Cuban missile crisis bunker". Activity will be focused on HF (mainly 40/20m), 6 and 2 meters using CW and SSB. This will be the first time Peanut Island will be activated. The QSL cards have been designed for the event and can be viewed on the new Web page at: http://jtrg.org/DXpedition.shtml

JD1, OGASAWARA. Shige, JA1HMM, is once again active as JD1BIE possibly until March 25th. He is on a short holiday on Iwo-Jima (AS-030), but plans to be active on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. Over the past week he was heard on 40/30/17 meters CW and 20/15 meters SSB. Reports indicate that he may activate a different island but details are not yet known. QSL via JA1HMM at: Shigeaki Miyamae, 4-20-22-302, Aoto Katsushika, Tokyo 125-0062 JAPAN.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND. It was announced this past week by Tom/N4XP and Dave/WB4JTT (edited): "A multi-national team of 19 operators will activate Midway Island in October 2009. The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USF&WLS) has authorized amateur operation from this rare U.S. entity for only a 10 day period, its first radio activity in almost 10 years. Midway Island ranks number 24 worldwide and number 13 in Europe on the DX Magazine's "Most Wanted List". Activity will be on 6 meters to 160 meters with 5 to 6 stations. At least one station will be active on 20 meters around the clock for those who need it for a new country. Major efforts will be made to meet the demand to the most needed geographical areas, the low bands and RTTY. Team members are Joe/AA4NN, Carlos/EA1IR, Franz/DJ9ZB, Kimo/KH7U, Antoinette/KI6TVS, Jon/KL2A, Don/N1DG, Paul/N4PN, Tom/N4XP, Jeff/N6GQ, John/N7CQQ, Dave/WB4JTT, Charlie/W6KK, Bruce/W6OSP, Art/WA7NB, Janet/W8CAA, Joe/W8GEX, Byron/WA8NJR and Vrata/OK1KT. Off site support is being provided by Don/AA1V, Dan/W5DNT and Paul/W6XA. Travel to Midway is only allowed by chartered aircraft. Because of the size of the aircraft, the team is presented with unique challenges. As such, the aircraft will only be able to carry the team requiring the equipment to be shipped by boat some months ahead. Adding to the high cost of transportation, daily fees and other charges established by the USF&WLS makes this operation very expensive. A Web site has been established and can be found at:
http://www.midway2009.com
Please support this endeavor by sending a donation. To make it easy to donate you can contribute electronically using the Web site or if you choose regular means you may do so. Instructions are given on the Web site for either method. Updates will be published on the Web site as they become available..... Tom/N4XP & Dave/WB4JTT (Co Leaders for Midway Island 2009)"

MC0/MW9, WALES. Members of the Strumblehead DX and Contest Group will be on the air from their headquarters at the Farm in Wales for a period before, during and after the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). They will be using the club callsigns MC0SHL before the contest with some activity on 30 meters RTTY around 10148 kHz. During the contest they will be using both MW9W and MC0SHL - depending on the number of operators, there may be more callsigns on air. Please QSL via the club's manager M0URX. A live Web cam will be active during the contest, as well as more details and photographs on the club's Web site at: http://www.mc0shl.com

OP4, BELGIUM. Operators Jochen/DH5HV, Jean/ON4JW, Joe/ON4JZ, Karel/ON5TN and Jim/ON5UM will be active as OP4K from Antwerpen, during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via ON4JZ, direct or by the bureau.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS (First 60m Op!). Lars, OZ1FJB, will once again be active as OY/OZ1FJB from here between March 16th and April 1st. His activity will be limited to his spare time (suggested times 0600-0700z and 2100-2400z), mainly on CW but also SSB. He will be the first active station to be permitted to operate on 60 meters (CH. 5 - 5403.5 kHz USB). QSL via his home callsign.

OZ, DENMARK (IOTA/Lighthouse Op). Paul, I2AE, will be active from some Danish islands between May 1-15th. Some of the Danish island groups mentioned will be EU-029, EU-125, EU-171 and EU-172. It was indicated that there are a lot of lighthouses on these islands, and they will be activated also. No callsign was mentioned. It is suggested to monitor mainly 7050-7060 and 14250-14260 kHz.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
LOGS AND PICTURES ONLINE. Members of the Algarve S.T.A.R. DX team, who activated the Murtinas Posterior Lighthouse (POR-126, DFFA Fa-29) as CS6A on March 15th, state that the log and pictures are now online on their Web page at: http://algarvedx.com

E44M QSL STATUS. It was announced that the E44M QSLs are ready. The press release states, "In few days the first supply of cards will arrive to our managers Simone/IZ0BTV and Les/SP3DOI. We will start to answer the first direct QSLs as soon as possible."

KL7DX QSL STATUS. Ron, AC7DX, informs that all KL7DX Chuginadak Island (NA-234) received as of March 15th have been answered. Those who did not receive their NA-234 QSL, please resubmit.

NO QSL MANAGER. Larry, VQ9LA, wants everyone to know that he "DOES NOT" have a QSL Manager, and all QSL cards should be sent to the address listed under VQ9LA on QRZ.com.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5R8GZ, TI5N, TN5SN, TR8CA, VK9WWI, YI1RAZ and YS4M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0KM, 4O0A, 4O0HQ, 4W6MM, 4X4WN, 4Z1UF, 5B4/RW9UP, 7O1YGF, 7P8BA, 9J2BO, A45WD, A5100A, B1HQ, B7HQ, BA0AA, BD5WW, BD0AJ, BT1OB, BT1OH, BT1OJ, BT1ON, BT1OY, CT1ILT, E41/OK1DTP, E51QQQ, EA9IB, EL2DX, ES1QD, FK8CP, FM5CD, FO/DJ7RJ, FR/F6KDF/T, H40AA, N8S, OH0R, PZ5TX, RW1AI/MM, SV2ASP/A, T33ZZ, T77C, TA2RC, TO4E, VP2ETN, VP6DI, VK9NS, VK9RS, XW1B, XX9C, Z29KM and ZK3AH

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

SILENT KEY. Silvano, I2YSB, reports that the team members of the 6O0N, J20MM and 9L1X DXpeditions regret to inform the DX community that Gianni, IS0VSG, became a "Silent Key" (SK) on March 9th, 2009. He was their pilot station during their DXpedition activity and had great dedication and passion. Silvano states, "We think we lost him, but we did not lose him as a model in our HAM life." OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of IS0VSG.

T4, CUBA. Members of the Cuban Amateur Radio Federation in Las Tunas will be active as T48K during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DK1WI.

TL0, CENTRAL AFRICA. Christian, TL0A (ex-TZ9A and 5U5U), is now active from here. He has been very active on 17 meters, usually around 18150 kHz at various times. There has been some activity also on 20 and 80 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct to: Christian Saint-Arroman, Chemin de Mousteguy, F-64990 Urcuit, France.

V6, MICRONESIA. Yoshi, JJ8DEN, will be active as V63PR until March 24th. Activity will be from two islands. Look for him to be active on Pohnpei (OC-010) until March 19th and from Chuuk Island (OC-011) between March 20-24th. Look for him on 160-10 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A if possible. Operations over the past week were mainly on RTTY. QSL via JJ8DEN (w/SASE: Please send European type envelope with 2 USDs or 1IRC).

VC3, CANADA (New CISA Island/Lighthouse). Operators Doug/VE3CWO, Brent/VE3IRT, Neil/VE3SST, Valdas/VE3VO and Igor/VE3ZF will be active as VC3Y from the lighthouse on Bluffers Park Island (new CISA island and lighthouse), March 21st-22nd. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the York Region Amateur Radio Club <http://yrarc.com/yrarc>. QSL via VE3CWO.

VC6, CANADA. Gord, VE6SV will be active as VC6T from Alberta during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) and CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st). QSL via VE6SV (QRZ.com).

VISALIA CONTEST DINNER. You can now purchase tickets for the Contest Dinner at the International DX Convention in Visalia, CA. The dinner is on Friday night, April 17th, in the Oak room at the Holiday Inn, Visalia. For tickets you have two options (in addition to the convention registration fee). PAID IN ADVANCE!: 38 USDs per person with random seating; or, 360 USDs for a full table for 10 people (All 10 tickets must be purchased by ONE person. One table will then be reserved for that person. Location of the reserved table will be random). The program will be Tim Duffy/K3LR, and he will speak on "The Never-Ending Challenge of Improving Your Contest Station." Also: The 2008 CQP Awards will be presented! For complete details on the dinner banquet, please visit: http://www.elbloggotorcido.com/contest-dinner-2009.html

VK6, AUSTRALIA. Bernd, VK2IA, will be active as VK6AA during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via DL8YR. Activity will be from the Northern Corridor Radio Group's (VK6ANC) club station situated about 20 kms north from the city center in Perth, Western Australia. See the station at: http://www.ncrg.org.au

VK9C, COCOS-KEELING ISLANDS (OC-003). Just a reminder that Bernd, VK2IA, will once again be active as VK9AA from the Cocos Beach Motel, West Island, between March 14-27th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW/SSB using a Spiderbeam for 10/15/20m, a 2 element wire beam for 40m, verticals for 80/160m and receiving antennas for the lowbands. QSL via DL8YR, direct (QRZ.com) or via DARC-Bureau.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Update). The VK9LA DXpedition will take place between March 23rd and April 3rd, with 16 operators. Bill Horner, VK4FW, member of Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group Inc. (ODXG), reports on Sunday, March 15th: "We have now established that we will have live internet on the island which should be 24/7. We intend to have photos, online log check and QSO totals updated on the web site www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm
All team members are finalizing last minute packing and weighing of luggage. All equipment sent via ship has safely arrived and is in storage awaiting our arrival.

There have been many queries since we devised a list of sunrise/sunset times for grey line propagation. We will have an operator on every low band every day whilst we are in darkness.
We also expect huge openings on 30m the same as K5D did. With our station separation we should be able to run 2 stations simultaneously to maximize openings......Cu in the pile ups."

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Update). Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY are expected to be active as VK9GMW next week (possibly between March 22nd and April 6th) in what they call "another low-key, simple DXpedition". PLEASE NOTE that the dates are approximate and may change due to weather. The operation will have a strong low-band focus, although VK9WMW will operate on all HF bands. From their Web page, George reports from Airlie Beach, Queensland, Australia, (Sunday, March 15th): "Preparations are under way for the boat trip to Mellish. We are currently provisioning and loading fuel. Lots of fuel. We intend to depart from Airlie Beach Tuesday morning. The weather forecast is fair (15 to 20 kts)." QSL will be via HA7RY, by the Bureau or LoTW or direct to: Tamas Pekarik, Alagi ut 15, H-2151 Fot, HUNGARY. After VK9GMW has gone QRT, they will launch an "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) on their Web site. If you want to receive your QSL via the Bureau, please use that form to request the card. They will check your QSOs against the log and send your card to you via the Bureau. This method will allow them faster processing, helps them protect the environment, and you will receive your VK9GMW card faster. For more information, please visit the VK9GMW Web page at: http://www.vk9gmw.com
For donations, please access: http://vk9gmw.com/support.html

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND (OC-005). Willy/ON5AX and his XYL Magda/ON3AX will be active as VK9N/ON5AX between now and March 22nd. QSL via ON5AX direct only.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Florida Contest Group members Art/N4PJ (CW/RTTY) and XYL Marsha/K4IRI (SSB) will be active as VP5/homecall from Providenciales (NA-002), March 17-24th. Their activity will include the Russian DX Contest (March 21-22nd) as VQ5B. QSL via their home callsigns.

WH6, HAWAII (Very Rare County). Attention county hunters! It was announced at the Maui Amateur Radio Club (MARC) this past week that the extremely rare Kalawao County will be activaed on 40 and 20 meters, March 30-31st. MARC member, Jayson Kohama, WH6BXK, is expected to work there on those particular days. After he gets off work each day, he plans to be on HF making as many contacts as possible. His station, WH6BXK, will be on the air each day after 1800 local (6:00 pm or 0400z). He will be on 7188 kHz and 14335 kHz. Kalwao County is one of the rarest USA counties. It is the 2nd smallest county and the poorest in the USA. It is located on the Kalaupapa peninsula, on the island of Molokai. It is the old Hawaiian leper colony. Because it was a leper colony, it was totally isolated from the rest of the islands and had its own separate county government, which was administered by the state. Hams must have special permission to go there and operate. Thus it is extremely rare for any ham signals to ever radiate from Kalawao.

XR1, CHILE. Members of the Radio Club La Portada will be active as XR1A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via XQ1IDM.

XU, CAMBODIA. Retu, OH4MDY, will once again be active as XU7MDY from Sihanoukville between April 9-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL only direct to XU7MDY address on QRZ.com.

ZF2, CAYMAN ISLAND (Satellites, Grids, HF and Contesting). Adrian, AA5UK, will be operating as ZF2AE from Grand Cayman and ZF2AE/ZF8 from Little Cayman between March 25th and April 8th. Current plans are to operate holiday style on AO-51, SO-50, VO-52 and FO-29 satellites. He plans to activate EK99hi from March 25-28th, EK99xp and EK99wp from March 28th through April 3rd (he plans to operate HF only during part of CQ WPX SSB Contest and the rest of his stay on Little Cayman, 40-10m) and EK99kh from April 3-8th. Most activity will be in the afternoons and evenings. QSL direct with SAE/SASE, Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

ZF2, CAYMAN ISLAND. Garry/K9WZB and XYL Sharon/K7WZB will be operating from Cayman Island as ZF2ZB between April 21st and May 6th. Activity will be on all bands 160-6 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. They will be monitoring 6 meters most of the time for openings to U.S. and Europe. QSL direct only via K9WZB.

ZL7T QRT. Lee, ZL2AL, reports that the multi-national team that activated Chatham Island in the South Pacific as ZL7T between March 5-10th, averaged about 2,200 QSOs a day with three radios for 5 days with over 11,000 QSOs in the log. The final logs have been uploaded to the Web site. Please QSL direct via Lee, ZL2AL: 87 Auckland Road, Greenmeadows, Napier 4112, NEW ZEALAND. For a direct response, you must enclose a self-addressed envelope (SAE) and at least 2 USDs or 1 IRC to cover the return postage, otherwise they will respond via the Bureau system. They will also reply to QSLs sent to them via the ZL Bureau, and they will upload their logs to the "Logbook of The World" (LoTW) by September this year.

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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9273. VK9AA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-16 12:16:15 UTC
From: Winston Rogers
Topic: 9273 Message: 9273

It was very interesting to hear VK9AA work simplex 30 meters to NA yesterday afternoon, with a good signal for more than two hours, without a spot being posted. He was a very good operator. It was orderly. No one was calling over him, or out of turn. Calls were short. And it was just a joy to listen to. After about 30 minutes I decided to give him a try. It took three calls in this invironment. I continued to listen for another hour.

Memories of times gone by....

Win W0LZ

9274. 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-16 18:07:43 UTC
From: john.brewer@us.schneider-electric.com
Topic: 9274 Message: 9274

I've got a friend in Virginia who is getting pretty close to DXCC on 60M.... he's honor roll,
etc, so I suppose this is the new frontier.

John K5MO

9275. Re: [DX-IS] 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-16 18:13:45 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9274 Message: 9275

Since too frenetic of an attempt at working DX on 60m could jeopardize ham radio in the USA, I'd prefer to extend my frontiers to higher frequencies. Start working EME and go for DXCC on 144, 222, 432, 903, 1296, 2304 MHz, etc. THOSE are challenges! But people are working on them.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Mar 16, 2009 at 1:07 PM, <john.brewer@...-electric.com>wrote:

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> 60M.... he's honor roll,
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> John K5MO
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9276. DX World Map

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 00:24:37 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9276 Message: 9276

I am looking for a downloadable World Map showing Country Prefixes

that has sufficient resolution such that one can actually read the

Country Prefix when you zoom in.

Does such a thing exist ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9277. RE: [DX-IS] DX World Map

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 01:25:37 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9276 Message: 9277

I was pointed to what I need, it's by continent but it suits my purpose.

DXAtlas is a nice suite of programs, but I don't need another program,

the picture will do.

Thanks for the replies,

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
From: w1ksz@...
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 2009 00:24:37 +0000
Subject: [DX-IS] DX World Map

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9278. D44 question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 01:27:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9278 Message: 9278

Am I correct in assuming the operators at D44TX* are using different calls on each band? I worked D44TXS a few evenings ago on 40M CW and last night worked D44TXO (I think) on 80M CW.

I have to admit that I wasn't paying a whole lot of attention to the call on 80M because it was late and I was pretty tired. In fact, I logged the QSO and went to bed. I didn't think about it until I looked at several spots tonight that show TXO on 80M CW. The same for earlier spots today on 80M and TXS was only showing on 40 and 17. I logged last night's 80M QSO as "TXS" and that might have been because I was beat. My contact was between 0230 & 0300.

I know I'm in someone's D44TX* log on 80M but I would like to know whose :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

9279. Re: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 02:20:42 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9274 Message: 9279

I appear to have been wrong regarding 60 Meter DXCC credit

Art (N4PJ) contacted Bill NC1L and here is his response to me:

----Original Message-----
From: Art Burke
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 1:34 PM
To: Robert Montemerlo
Subject: Re: Sans sunspots

Bob, received an e-mail back from Bill Moore - no DXCC on 60M. He didn't elaborate, but I asked specifically if perhaps it could count for Mixed and/or SSB - he said no DXCC on that band.

Art - N4PJ

9280. Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 02:53:04 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9274 Message: 9280

At 11:20 PM 3/16/2009, rmontemerlo wrote:
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>Art - N4PJ

There appear to be issues with the DX IS! list that I cannot get a handle on. Art reported that message to me after posting it on the list via the Web interface. Some, but not all, of Art's messages are not reflecting to the membership. He's mentioned this to me a couple of times during the past 6-8 weeks.

I also note that a lot of questions like the one above, and Dick's (W1KSZ) request for a DX map, are not being sent to the group members. Both are examples of things that are quite relevant to DXing. (We changed the default when you hit reply from all members to just the sender in early January, and this is when the "funny behaviour" with the messages seemed to begin.) It seems to me that both of these were valid questions and either the answers were sent just to the original list member, or to the group but didn't "reflect" properly.

I also get a lot of email that is innocent in terms of the sender, the title and the content being flagged by Yahoo as SPAM. I then have to approve these. I can find no pattern.

I can't explain this because I belong to a number of other Yahoo groups that seem to work just fine. As a first step, I have temporarily changed the default reply so that it goes to all members. Don (N1DG) is the co-owner of the list, and he is quite busy at the moment so this is a unilateral decision on my part. He does monitor this list closely, so if he in not in agreement with my

decision, I'm sure I'll hear about it. :-)

Note -- this change means you should just send a "Reply" and NOT a "Reply to all" when answering messages.

Let's give this a go and see if the messages and replies flow a little better. I'm getting tired of approving innocent things like the OPDX bulletin and random emails from long time members that is incorrectly flagged as SPAM, for one thing.

73, Paul VE1DX

9281. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 03:24:49 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9274 Message: 9281

So then I guess it isn't a real ham band. Too bad, it was kind of fun to operate there.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 3/16/09, rmontemerlo <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

From: rmontemerlo <kb1jzu@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ
To: DX-IS@...m
Date: Monday, March 16, 2009, 9:20 PM

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Art - N4PJ

9282. 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 04:17:38 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9274 Message: 9282

At 12:24 AM 3/17/2009, you wrote:
>So then I guess it isn't a real ham band.. Too bad, it was kind of
>fun to operate there.
>
>73s John AA5JG

Someone said (here?) that there was a W who almost had DXCC on 60M. Based on Art's information, he or she might be approaching 100 countries, but they are not approaching DXCC.

I read in our national organisation's magazine (The Canadian Amateur) within the last year that Industry Canada had not closed the door on giving us 60M privileges. That doesn't mean it will happen soon; just that they haven't said no.

In my view, 60M should be a small un-channelized piece of spectrum (like 30M) to be useful. Having 5 or 6 3-KHz slots where only USB is allowed with a maximum ERP of 50 watts doesn't bode well for DXing! But then again, if the reports of someone nearing 100 kills are true, then it is indeed a challenge that can be met. Also, not all Hams are DXers and experimenting with 5 MHz would be interesting.

I wonder how many countries are allowed 60M?

73, Paul VE1DX

9283. Re: [DX-IS] 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 04:20:33 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9274 Message: 9283

--- On Mon, 3/16/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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73s John AA5JG

9284. Re: [DX-IS] Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 08:30:30 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9274 Message: 9284

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Don
N1DG/G

At 10:53 PM 3/16/2009, you wrote:

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AIM: aurumtel

9285. Re: 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 09:30:14 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9274 Message: 9285

After a couple of comments yesterday about DXCC on 60M, I dropped a note to Bill Moore - Bill says there ain't no DXCC on that band!

I thought that perhaps it could count for mixed, but he says it doesn't count for anything. He wrote simply "...there is no DXCC on that band."

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, john.brewer@... wrote:
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> I've got a friend in Virginia who is getting pretty close to DXCC on 60M.... he's honor roll,
> etc, so I suppose this is the new frontier.
>
> John K5MO
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9286. Re: 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 09:38:31 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9274 Message: 9286

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I wonder what the plans are for that real low band that's currently an experiment. A KW down there could probably produce a ground wave all the way across North America. After all, when the FCC opened 1600 - 1700 for broadcast stations back in the 90s, there were a number of suddenly "clear channel" 1,000 watters that could be heard nationwide.

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9287. Re: VK9AA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 14:06:59 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9273 Message: 9287

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Winston Rogers" <w0lz@...> wrote:
>
> It was very interesting to hear VK9AA work simplex 30 meters to NA >yesterday afternoon, with a good signal for more than two hours, >without a spot being posted.

Not so this morning on 20m :-)

9288. Re: [DX-IS] Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 14:12:05 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 9274 Message: 9288

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> sender, the title and the content being flagged by Yahoo as SPAM. I
> then have to approve these. I can find no pattern.
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Paul,

I had to dive back into my 'Trash' folder to check, but I seem to be
receiving all the messages sent to the group. for instance, dick's
message regarding the request for a DX map came thru just fine, as did
his rejection of DX Atlas.

I do agree, however, that some messages are somehow labelled as 'Spam',
but my spam filter catches them and I can always check 'em out to see if
they are the real thing or not.

I have also experienced similar things on other lists of which I am a
member, which are 'supported' by Yahoo.

73,

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

9289. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 14:36:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9274 Message: 9289

It's hard to predict what's going to happen to the future of shortwave as more of the world's commercial interests go to satellite communication. Certainly not all shortwave activity will disappear in our lifetimes, but I suspect some of the UTE stuff will. Maybe some time soon we will get a slot of actual bandwidth instead of 5 channels in the 60-meter range.

Meanwhile, I don't think there re TOO many people who have worked everything on all modes on all the bands we have available for DXCC.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Mar 17, 2009 at 4:38 AM, Art Burke <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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9290. Re: [DX-IS] Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 16:19:08 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9290 Message: 9290

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Version: 8.0.237 / Virus Database: 270.11.15/2004 - Release Date: 03/16/09 07:04:00

9291. Re: [DX-IS] Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 16:35:23 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9290 Message: 9291

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Thanks, Gary . . . this confirms that some of the messages were getting through to everyone and not to others. We'll let it run in this mode for a week or so and see if it reduces the problems. It has been acting odd lately.

73, Paul VE1DX

9292. VE2MS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 16:41:30 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 9292 Message: 9292

I've been trying unsuccessfully to get it touch with VE2MS about an old QSL I need from a station he manages. He hasn't replied to a letter to his qrz.com address and I can't find either an email address or a phone number for him. Does anyone know how to reach him? Thanks!

73,

John, K9MM

9293. Re: [DX-IS] VE2MS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 18:49:12 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 9292 Message: 9293

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> QSL I need from a station he manages. He hasn't replied to a letter to
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> 73,
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> John, K9MM

Many Canadian amateurs can be reached by sending e-mails to
callsign@.... This isan alias service provided by Radio amateurs
of Canada, and the message is forwarded to the address registered with
them. Of course, if the guy doesn't have e-mail at all, he won't be
registered. :-)

I just checked the RAC website, but there's no indication that he has an
e-mail address.

Hope this helps!

73,

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

9294. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 18:56:19 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9274 Message: 9294

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From: Art Burke
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 11:38 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: 60M DXCC

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9295. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 20:17:49 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9274 Message: 9295

John,
Of course the government can't copy code as the FCC did away with it;-)

73 de Rene
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Version: 8.0.237 / Virus Database: 270.11.17/2007 - Release Date: 03/17/09 10:18:00

9296. List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-17 23:25:15 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9296 Message: 9296

It's 23:22 UTC on 17 March and Art, VP5/N4PJ is on 10.112 QSX up 1, and his XYL Marsha VP5/K4IRI is on 14.240 QSX down 3 if anyone wants to work them. Fellow DX IS! list members!

73, Paul VE1DX

9298. Re: 60M DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 01:34:34 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9274 Message: 9298

Amen! Several friends of mine have Challenge totals waaaaay over 2500 and I'm struggling to get to 2,000 (come on 12 meters!).

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
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9299. Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 01:41:00 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9296 Message: 9299

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9300. RE: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 02:14:39 UTC
From: frosty1@pdq.net
Topic: 9296 Message: 9300

Art you had a good signal into Missouri City this afternoon but I dont have a 30 meter antenna.
So I had to work Marsha on 20 She was very loud and doing a great JOB.

K5LBU Frosty
www.k5lbu.com <http://www.k5lbu.com/>
www.dxsafari.com <http://www.dxsafari.com/>
www.africandxsafari.com <http://www.africandxsafari.com/>

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art Burke
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9301. OC1I Operation: 008

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 04:56:08 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9301 Message: 9301

Have folks received cards for this operation ? It was in January 2008.

Tnx, Dick, W1KSZ

9302. Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 07:29:11 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9296 Message: 9302

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> Burke
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9303. Re: [DX-IS] OC1I Operation: 008

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 07:45:19 UTC
From: Luciano
Topic: 9301 Message: 9303

Yes DICK, I have received my cards via DL5WN.

73 de Luciano PT7WA

RICHARD SOLOMON escreveu:
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> Have folks received cards for this operation ? It was in January 2008.
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> Tnx, Dick, W1KSZ
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9304. [425ENG] HZ1FS/p from AS-192 (new one for IOTA)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 10:37:32 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9304 Message: 9304

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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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>>> AS-192, IOTA NEW ONE <<<

Mohamad, HZ1MD has announced that he, along with Firas/HZ1FS and Sulaiman/7Z1SJ, will be active as HZ1FS/p from the Red Sea Coast South/ Jizan Province group, IOTA AS-192 (new one) on 19-23 March (depending on the living conditions on the island, they might extend their stay). They plan to have three stations "with many antennas", including a Spiderbeam for 20, 15 and 10 metres, and to operate mainly SSB, with some digital modes. [TNZ IZ1CRR]

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9305. Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 13:14:45 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9305 Message: 9305

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Al, VE1AL

9306. RE: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 13:52:50 UTC
From: frosty1@pdq.net
Topic: 9296 Message: 9306

Wow great job for sure. I wil look for her on the other bands this week
since am on spring break.
Looks like she is ready to come to Africa and operate now. Thinking about
going back to A25
next summer.

K5LBU Frosty
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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art
Burke
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 2:29 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

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9307. Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 14:01:11 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9305 Message: 9307

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Now if I could just figure out what's wrong with my RTTY!

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> Al, VE1AL
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9308. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 14:10:31 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9305 Message: 9308
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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9309. RE: [DX-IS] OC1I Operation: 008

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 14:50:05 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9301 Message: 9309

Is it not DL5WM? DL5WN does not appear in QRZ.com.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Luciano
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 4:45 AM
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] OC1I Operation: 008

Yes DICK, I have received my cards via DL5WN.

73 de Luciano PT7WA

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9310. Re: [DX-IS] OC1I Operation: 008

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 15:02:02 UTC
From: Luciano
Topic: 9301 Message: 9310

Yes ALAN, the manager is DL5WM. I was wrong typing the manager.

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9311. Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 17:33:27 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9305 Message: 9311

Brian, I recognized your call, but couldn't remember your name. I don't think the forum permits attachments as I can't access them. Yes, I'm running N1MM with MMTTY for the RTTY engine. I'll double check that what you mentioned is all turned off. I can also run RTTY with WinWarbler, but I prefer running my RTTY in more of a contest mode and I like N1MM for contesting vs. DXKeeper for my regular logging. I *can* work it, but it's a pain in the @$$!

We were able to hook up the other beam (up on the hill at the other house) and not only are we not QRMing each other, but we are both on 20 at the same time - I'm on CW and Marsha is on SSB higher up.
Thanks for the contact Brian, and for the advice.

Art - N4PJ

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9312. Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 17:56:24 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9305 Message: 9312

Brian, your advice was priceless - AFC was turned on. Turned it off and all seems normal at the moment. Made five or six contacts without anything going haywire - much appreciated.

Art - VP5/N4PJ (geez, it's hotter down here than it was back home! fortunately there are some sea breezes and we actually got cold last night!)

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9313. VK9AA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 18:39:03 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9273 Message: 9313

VK9AA was really great sigs on 20CW this morning in W3.

Worked for #302, second all time new one this week after H40FN.

Bottom of the cycle, sure, but hey, there's something to do.

I think Mellish Reef VK9GMW is in my sights now...

9314. Re: VK9AA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 19:41:32 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9273 Message: 9314

Nice going Dan. Those entities down on the other side of the world are often very tough at the moment.

Art - N4PJ

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9315. Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 20:23:10 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 9296 Message: 9315

> She ended up working about 100 in that 20 meter pileup.
> I think she's finally convinced a woman can
> easily draw a crowd on SSB!

Quite a few years ago, there was a licensed XYL I knew at work who didn't have an HF station at home. I invited her over one Sunday afternoon during one of the major SSB DX contests to show her what DXing was all about.

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John, K9MM

9316. Re: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-18 22:40:47 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9296 Message: 9316

Reminds me of a now sk who used to hike up his shorts before calling - was quite successful too!
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Becker" <johnb3030@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 1:23 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

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>> easily draw a crowd on SSB!
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9317. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 00:17:46 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9305 Message: 9317

Hi Art,

I need VP5 on SSB (and RTTY), would be great to try if you have time.

Haven't heard any VP5s lately, with current condx it may not be possible...

W6EL says, 2330 - 0000z LP 20m. So that would be 0830am to 0900am perhaps we could try this tomorrow?

Anyway let me know how you are placed for time and skeds, would be great to make a QSO.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art Burke
Sent: Wednesday, 18 March 2009 11:01 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Conditions

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Art - N4PJ

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> nothing else out of Asia. And that "opening" lasted here for less than
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> yes, I won't be on SSB today -- I can't talk :-).
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9318. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 02:33:00 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9305 Message: 9318

Art Burke wrote:
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> Nice to hear calls from forum members both on CW and SSB. Marsha
> didn't recognize some of the calls until after the fact, but she has
> recognized a number of familiar calls._._,_.___
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Art, Great signal this afternoon late on 30 meters. Glad to work you there. I will watch for you on RTTY. Enjoy.

73,
Mike, W5UC
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9319. Re: VP5/K4IRI, DXpedition pro

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 02:54:04 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 9319 Message: 9319

Proud to say Marsha recognized my call, but things were slowing down for her on 20 meters this evening. We had a nice short chat. She is doing a great job.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from Miquelon this July for the IARU contest

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9320. Re: [DX-IS] Re: VP5/K4IRI, DXpedition pro

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 04:52:22 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9319 Message: 9320

Hi Peg,

How did you do in the WIQP this past weekend? I worked Paul on 80cw, but never heard you on SSB.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 3/18/09, Peg Haese KB9LIE <kb9lie@...> wrote:

From: Peg Haese KB9LIE <kb9lie@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: VP5/K4IRI, DXpedition pro
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, March 18, 2009, 9:54 PM

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9321. Midway Islands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 07:23:07 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9321 Message: 9321

Hi Guys,

Just did a Google Earth view on the Midway Atoll (Sand Island) and the image from Aug 20, 2007 shows a pretty clean island.

I know there were emails about this last year. I see some building there, so accommodation should be possible.

The runway is looking great, so a flight from Hawaii should be the ticket...

I don't know what form of transport is available to the island though...

Good luck to the K4M team!

73, Lance - VK6DU

9322. Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 11:33:36 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9305 Message: 9322

Lance, condx have been quite strange. Bad QSB on several bands last night. Had a tough time even working EU.

We have internet here - I think it's a DSL, so we're doing fine keeping up with the forums, e-mail, who's robbing who on Wall street hi hi.

Drop me a note on my email aburkefl at comcast dot net and we can talk skeds. We have no amps here, but some nice antennas. Marsha is running a couple of Force 12s on SSB. That tower is here by the bungalow. It's only about 40 or 50 feet up, but we're on the edge of a big hill overlooking the beach so the antenna is maybe 150 to 200 feet up over the water. It works quite well.

I'm using mostly an A4S with 40 meters added and it's sitting further up the hill at the other house (the home of Jody, the owner). The controller for that beam is at her house, so we have it fixed on EU. Amazingly, I was able to work quite a few US stns last night, even many I thought would be "out of line" of the beam.

With what we have, if we set a sked convenient to you, I'm willing to try.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...> wrote:
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> Hi Art,
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9323. Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 11:45:18 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9305 Message: 9323

I'm ashamed of my RTTY. Several years ago, I had the experience of my first CW pileups from the other side. I think basically, that was a lesson easily learned. I worked quite a few RTTY QSOs yesterday and it was a bear! You can work guys on CW low/high in the passband, but the software/hardware requirements make it virtually impossible to "hear" three different RTTY signals at the same time!

I plan to keep trying!

Art - VP5/N4PJ (until next Tuesday)

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> Art, Great signal this afternoon late on 30 meters. Glad to work you
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9324. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 16:19:38 UTC
From: PY7ZZ-GMAIL
Topic: 9305 Message: 9324

Art Burke escreveu:
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> many I thought would be "out of line" of the beam.
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> With what we have, if we set a sked convenient to you, I'm willing to try.
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> Art - N4PJ
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Hello Art:

Now I know why you couldn't see me 20m rtty the other day ...
With beam pointed to USA it's really hard for you to see any SA
at your screen ... I could see you here no problems 579. Best regards
from Brazil.

Fred - PY7ZZ

9325. Re: [DX-IS] Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 20:03:20 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9274 Message: 9325

Paul;

If it's any consolution to you, I just found the ARRL contest rate sheet in my spam box. Maybe we all should keep an eye on that critter?

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 10:53:04 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

At 11:20 PM 3/16/2009, rmontemerlo wrote:
>I appear to have been wrong regarding 60 Meter DXCC credit
>
>Art (N4PJ) contacted Bill NC1L and here is his response to me:
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>
>----Original Message-----
>From: Art Burke
>Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 1:34 PM
>To: Robert Montemerlo
>Subject: Re: Sans sunspots
>
>
>Bob, received an e-mail back from Bill Moore - no DXCC on 60M. He
>didn't elaborate, but I asked specifically if perhaps it could count
>for Mixed and/or SSB - he said no DXCC on that band.
>
>Art - N4PJ

There appear to be issues with the DX IS! list that I cannot get a handle on. Art reported that message to me after posting it on the list via the Web interface. Some, but not all, of Art's messages are not reflecting to the membership. He's mentioned this to me a couple of times during the past 6-8 weeks.

I also note that a lot of questions like the one above, and Dick's (W1KSZ) request for a DX map, are not being sent to the group members. Both are examples of things that are quite relevant to DXing. (We changed the default when you hit reply from all members to just the sender in early January, and this is when the "funny behaviour" with the messages seemed to begin.) It seems to me that both of these were valid questions and either the answers were sent

just to the original list member, or to the group but didn't "reflect" properly.

I also get a lot of email that is innocent in terms of the sender, the title and the content being flagged by Yahoo as SPAM. I then have to approve these. I can find no pattern.

I can't explain this because I belong to a number of other Yahoo groups that seem to work just fine. As a first step, I have temporarily changed the default reply so that it goes to all members. Don (N1DG) is the co-owner of the list, and he is quite busy at the moment so this is a unilateral decision on my part. He does monitor this list closely, so if he in not in agreement with my decision, I'm sure I'll hear about it. :-)

Note -- this change means you should just send a "Reply" and NOT a "Reply to all" when answering messages.

Let's give this a go and see if the messages and replies flow a little better. I'm getting tired of approving innocent things like the OPDX bulletin and random emails from long time members that is incorrectly flagged as SPAM, for one thing.

73, Paul VE1DX

9326. ARLD011 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 21:51:32 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 2226 Message: 9326

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD011
ARLD011 DX news

ZCZC AE11
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 11 ARLD011
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 19, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD011
ARLD011 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by 9A2JK, NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AZERBAIJAN, 4K. Axel, DL6KVA will be QRV as 4K0CW in the Russian DX contest as a Single Op/Low Power CW entry. QSL via bureau.

NIGERIA, 5N. Bodo, DL3OCH is QRV as 5N0OCH from Abuja. Activity is mostly during his evenings and weekends on all HF bands. He will try to be active on 160 meters as well. He is using CW, SSB, RTTY and EME. QSL to home call.

CROATIA, 9A. Special event station 9A09P is active until December 31 in celebration of the city of Djurdjevac. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via bureau.

CHINA, BY. Luca, IK2NCJ plans to be QRV as B4TG in the Russian DX contest. He will be active as a Single Band entry on either 80 or 20 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Tim, NL8F will be QRV as E51COF from Rarotonga Island, IOTA OC-013, from March 21 to April 4. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters, and possibly 17 meters, using SSB. QSL via K8NA.

HAITI, HH. Jan, K4QD and Don, AF4Z will be QRV as HH4/home calls from March 23 to April 3 while working from here. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to be an entry in the upcoming CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL to home calls.

SAUDI ARABIA, HZ. Firas, HZ1FS, Mohamad, HZ1MD and Sulaiman, 7Z1SJ are QRV as HZ1FS/p from IOTA AS-192 until March 23. Activity is on 20, 15 and 10 meters using mostly SSB and some digital modes with

three stations active. QSL via EA7FTR.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Shige, JA1HMM is QRV as JD1BIE from Iwo-Jima, IOTA AS-030, until March 25 while on a short holiday. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

MONGOLIA, JT. Alexei, UA4HOX, Victor, UA4HBW, Alex, RK4HM, and Eugene, RK3AD are QRV as JT1R until March 22. They will be active in the Russian DX contest as well. QSL via RW4HB.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. KI3DDN, N3MU and K2JA are QRV as KH0/home calls from Saipan, IOTA OC-086, until March 22. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via JI3DNN, JA3CEK and JL3SIK, respectively.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Operator OH6EI is QRV as OG0Z until March 23. This includes being active in the Russian DX contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL via W0MM.

SWEDEN, SM. Operators SM5AJV, SM5PHU and SM6LBR will be QRV as SK3W in the Russian DX contest as a Multi/2 entry. QSL via operators' instructions.

GREECE, SV. Operators George, SV1QN/8, Nikos, SW1GYN/8, Fotis, SV1AIN/8 and Giannis, SV1GYG/8 will be QRV from Zakynthos Island, IOTA EU-052, from March 23 to 29. QSL to home calls.

CORSICA, TK. Operators 9A2SX, 9A3AXX, 9A6XX and 9A8MM are QRV as TK/home calls until March 22. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters. They will be active as TK7P in the Russian DX contest. QSL all calls via 9A8MM.

ST. KITTS AND NEVIS ISLANDS, V4. Andy, N2NT is QRV as V47NT until March 23. He will also be an entry in the Russian DX contest. QSL via W2RQ.

MICRONESIA, V6. Yoshi, JJ8DEN is QRV as V63PR from Chuuk Island, IOTA OC-011, until March 24. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK31 and possibly JT65A. QSL to home call.

LORD HOWE ISLAND, VK9L. Members from the Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group will be QRV as VK9LA from March 23 to April 3. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with seven stations. QSL via VK4FW.

NORFOLK ISLAND, VK9N. Willy, ON5AX and Magda, ON3AX are QRV as VK9N/ON5AX until March 22. QSL direct via ON5AX.

MELLISH REEF, VK9M. George, AA7JV and Tomi, HA7RY will be QRV as VK9GMW from March 22 to April 6. Activity is on all HF bands. QSL via HA7RY.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. Art, N4PJ and Marsha, K4IRI are QRV as VP5/home calls from Providenciales, IOTA NA-002, until March 24. They will also be active as VQ5B in the Russian DX contest. QSL to home calls.

NEW ZEALAND, ZL. Jacky, ZL3CW will be QRV as ZM1A as a Single Op/Single Band 40 meter entry in the Russian DX contest. Ken, ZL1AIH will be a Single Op/All Band CW entry in the contest as well. QSL ZM1A via ZL1AMO.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The 10-10 International Mobile Contest, NCCC Sprint, Feld Hell Sprint, BARTG HF RTTY Contest, SARL VHF/UHF Contest, Russian DX Contest, Oklahoma QSO Party, AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, North Dakota QSO Party, DARC HF SSTV Contest, Virginia QSO Party, UBA 2-Meter Spring Contest, 9K 15-Meter Contest are all will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The QRP Homebrewer CW and PSK31 Sprint is scheduled for March 23. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for March 25. Please see March QST, page 78 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9327. Re: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 21:58:47 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9296 Message: 9327

I wonder......percentages compared.....the percentile of women against men who have 300 in the books is? I am willing to bet it is higher just because of their voice qualities (and if they have had childern, they are probly better suited for the pileups :)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Becker" <johnb3030@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 4:23:10 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-19 22:46:04 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9274 Message: 9328

Hi Dale,
Your email reminded me to check my spam folder and this is what I found:
From: "ARRL Web site" <memberlist@...>
so I whitelisted it.
tnx es 73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 1:03 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Problem with list: (WAS: 60M DXCC Email From Bill Moore NC1L to Art N4PJ)

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9329. 6 Meter Amplifier Question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-20 06:09:01 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9329 Message: 9329

With the upswing in the Solar Cycle coming (hopefully in my lifetime),

I was thinking of getting a 6 Meter Amplifier. Does anyone on the list

have one that uses the Svetlana GU-74B (4CX800A) ? They look like

a good fit for a MLA-2500 conversion.

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heart. You know what happens to pioneers ... they get shot with

arrows and get to sleep on rocks.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9330. Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-20 10:04:43 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9296 Message: 9330

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Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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>
> I wonder......percentages compared.....the percentile of women against men who have 300 in the books is?Â I am willing to bet it is higher just because of their voice qualities (and if they have had childern, they are probly better suited for the pileups :)
>
> Dale K8TS
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "John Becker" <johnb3030@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 4:23:10 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean
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> > She ended up working about 100 in that 20 meter pileup.
> > I think she's finally convinced a woman can
> > easily draw a crowd on SSB!
>
> Quite a few years ago, there was a licensed XYL I knew at work who
> didn't have an HF station at home. I invited her over one Sunday
> afternoon during one of the major SSB DX contests to show her what DXing
> was all about.
>
> We took turns at the microphone for an hour or so until she got the hang
> of things. Then we came across a relatively rare African station on 10M
> who had a huge pileup on his frequency. I had her call him using her
> call, and she got him on the first call. Then I called him without

> success for ten minutes. I told her she had just witnessed the power of
> the female voice in a pileup!
>
> 73,
>
> John, K9MM
>

9331. Re: Conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-20 09:55:55 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9305 Message: 9331

It's a real quandary Fred - I'm sure you know as well. If I turn the beam to a favorable position in SA, I might be able to work a couple dozen stations in SA, then I can't hear the U.S. stations. If I turn the beam toward the U.S. then you guys can't hear me very well, but it seems like a "law of signals" situation, hi hi.

My wife asked about turning the beam to SA. I showed her the beam heading, but cautioned her that she wasn't going to work three hours of QSOs, but that they would probably appreciate a chance. At home, we have a SteppIR and can switch the beam very quickly, but here, although rotatable, they are still the old fashioned variety! I've been using Jody's A4S up at her house, which is fixed on EU. Marsha hs been using the Force 12s down here at the cabin. One of them is a 5-band beam, and there's a 40-meter 2-el beam above that one. It's a nice site. The tower is only about 40 feet, but it's about 150 to 200 feet above the beach with a takeoff over water everywhere except due south.

Art - VP5/N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, PY7ZZ-GMAIL <py7zzic756@...> wrote:
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> Art Burke escreveu:
> >
> > Lance, condx have been quite strange. Bad QSB on several bands last
> > night. Had a tough time even working EU.
> >
> > We have internet here - I think it's a DSL, so we're doing fine
> > keeping up with the forums, e-mail, who's robbing who on Wall street
> > hi hi.
> >
> > Drop me a note on my email aburkefl at comcast dot net and we can talk
> > skeds. We have no amps here, but some nice antennas. Marsha is running
> > a couple of Force 12s on SSB. That tower is here by the bungalow. It's
> > only about 40 or 50 feet up, but we're on the edge of a big hill
> > overlooking the beach so the antenna is maybe 150 to 200 feet up over
> > the water. It works quite well.
> >
> > I'm using mostly an A4S with 40 meters added and it's sitting further
> > up the hill at the other house (the home of Jody, the owner). The
> > controller for that beam is at her house, so we have it fixed on EU.
> > Amazingly, I was able to work quite a few US stns last night, even
> > many I thought would be "out of line" of the beam.
> >
> > With what we have, if we set a sked convenient to you, I'm willing to try.
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
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> >
> Hello Art:
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> Now I know why you couldn't see me 20m rtty the other day ...
> With beam pointed to USA it's really hard for you to see any SA
> at your screen ... I could see you here no problems 579. Best regards
> from Brazil.
>
> Fred - PY7ZZ
>

9332. Re: [DX-IS] 6 Meter Amplifier Question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-20 12:21:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9329 Message: 9332

At 03:09 AM 3/20/2009, you wrote:
>With the upswing in the Solar Cycle coming (hopefully in my lifetime),
>I was thinking of getting a 6 Meter Amplifier. Does anyone on the list
>have one that uses the Svetlana GU-74B (4CX800A) ? They look like
>a good fit for a MLA-2500 conversion.
>
>But, I need to see if anyone actually did this, not being a pioneer at
>heart. You know what happens to pioneers ... they get shot with
>arrows and get to sleep on rocks.
>
>73, Dick, W1KSZ

Not exactly an answer to home brewing, Dick, but I have an
ACOM-1000 with that tube in it and it works as well on 6M as the
other bands. 1000 watts out. So it can be done, but I don't know
about retrofitting a MLA-2500 to use one. I *actually* had a
MLA-2500 years ago. Pair of 8875 ugly tubes . . . but it did honk!

73, Paul VE1DX

9333. Re: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-20 12:25:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9296 Message: 9333

At 07:04 AM 3/20/2009, you wrote:
>I don't think it's voice quality at all - it's what's behind the
>voice! I think most hams (which, by default, are mostly males) think
>every YL on the air is blonde, built and gorgeous! Who cares what
>they're really like in real life!
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>When Marsha fires up the rig, she generates an almost immediate
>pileup. You think those guys will get in line to work me? Even when
>we're at home, all I can hear from her rig is "who's the YL?" She's
>already griping that on CW they won't know she's a YL and they won't
>be so anxious to work her!
>
>Art - N4PJ

It's the same on CW! YO3FRI (Tina) is a YL OP and a good
one. As soon as the first spot says "YL Tina" or equivalent on the
cluster comments, the pileups start! She's in Bucharest, an Air
Traffic controller and happily married with several kids. What do
the OMs think? :-) Anyhow, she does generate pileups.

73, Paul VE1DX

9334. [425ENG] 425 DX News #933 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-20 17:33:06 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9334 Message: 9334

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9335. ARLP012 Propagation de K7RA

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From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 2832 Message: 9335

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>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 20, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP012 Propagation de K7RA

This reporting week (March 12-18) there were no sunspots, but we saw
a couple of promising magnetic anomalies which faded away before
ever emerging as sunspots.

On Saturday, March 14, Spaceweather.com reported (see
http://spaceweather.com/archive.php?view=1&day=14&month=03&year=2009)
a sunspot which might have been emerging south of the solar equator.

In addition to displaying an image from the SOHO/MDI (Michelson
Doppler Imager) project, Spaceweather.com provided a link to images
from Matthias Juergens in Germany at,
(http://spaceweather.com/submissions/large_image_popup.php?image_name=Matthi
as-Juergens-SU_20090314_cont_1237032723.jpg).
Matthias identified the images as evidence of "small flare activity"
in the southeast.

Also see an image from Pete Lawrence, in West Sussex UK, at
http://spaceweather.com/submissions/large_image_popup.php?image_name=Pete-La
wrence-2009-03-14_15-19-07_SVF70ss_1237053510.jpg.

Note the Spaceweather.com image in the first link shows the possible
sunspot in the lower left quadrant of the visible solar disk, which
according to terrestrial mapping conventions would be the southwest
quadrant. Why is the solar convention opposite? I believe it is
based on a mirror image of the earthly convention.

Instead of imagining yourself in space, looking down at the Earth
with west on your left and east on your right, and then applying the
same convention if facing the Sun, instead look at the Sun from an
earthbound perspective.

Imagine a sunny day, and you are lying flat on a lawn, facing the
Sun, with your body oriented so that your head is toward the north
and feet toward south. Without actually looking at the Sun, your

right side would be pointing west, and if you raise your right arm to point to the right side of the Sun, according to convention that is also the west.

So sunspots travel across the Sun (relative to Earth) from left to right, from east to west.

On Sunday, March 15, Spaceweather.com reported a blank Sun at, http://spaceweather.com/archive.php?view=1&day=15&month=03&year=2009, but that "two proto-sunspots" were visible near the Sun's equator. But the next day, and all week the Sun remained blank. Solar flux has been quite low also.

If you check http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html for daily forecasts, you will see that every day the solar flux prediction has been a solid and unchanging 70 for the following 45 days. But solar flux values have actually declined slightly over the past few weeks. As reported in this bulletin, the weekly average solar flux ending on Wednesdays for the period beginning February 19 and ending March 18 was 70.2, 69.5, 69 and 68.6.

If you check the latest 45-day forecast, which at the time of the writing of this bulletin was March 19, you will see that the predicted planetary A index for March 20-21 is 8, followed by a slightly quieter level of 5. The next moderate geomagnetic disturbance is expected April 9-10, with planetary A index of 15 and 10.

By the time you read this, the Vernal Equinox has passed and it is Spring in the Northern Hemisphere. The equinox is early on March 20 for much of the Western Hemisphere, at 1144z, which is 04:44 PDT and 07:44 EDT. This is a popular time of year for fans of HF propagation, with the Southern Hemisphere moving into the fall season, and bathed in sunlight equal to the Northern Hemisphere.

Al Lorona, W6LX of Arcadia, California asked about transitions from one solar cycle to the next, and what the overlap was like. If we want to take a look at the last transition, from Cycle 22 to Cycle 23, you can inspect old copies of this bulletin in 1996, which was the last solar minimum. The archive is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/ and just click on Show Older Bulletins, then Propagation for 1996. You can see the weekly averages, and in the Fall of that year there were weeks of no sunspots. But in 1997 you can see the weekly averages rose substantially. Such is not the case right now.

Looking back to the ARRL International DX Contest, SSB weekend, Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote on March 7: "There were surprisingly good condx at least on 20M in the few hours I've operated in the ARRL DX test. On 20M, at the start, the band was open fairly well to JA and KL7RA was loud. J5UAG answered a CQ, and South America up to as far north as Cuba was loud, but by 2335Z

the PYs and LUs were fading out here in favor of areas farther west and by 2355Z almost all stations to the south were gone. But, KH6 was loud. 40 was open well only to southern and western EU at 01Z. At 1515Z, I started tuning across 15M which was only open to the south, but the opening kept improving as I tuned up the band with Caribbean stations becoming loud. I worked as far north as KP2M and FS5KA. V48M who was S5 and not workable thru his pile-up was S9 and easy 10 minutes later. P40A running 100W was the loudest station I heard about 20 db over S9."

John Coleman, K5JVC of Oklahoma City worked the same DX contest, using 5 watts and a 31 foot vertical on 15 meters, which I guess would be about 5/8 wavelength on that band. On Saturday, March 7 beginning at 1335z he worked HI3K, VP5H, 6Y1V, HI3TEJ, VP2E, LT0H, LU2QC, P40A, KP2M, WP4U, PJ4G, and VP8KF (The Falklands were LOUD!) with the last at 1938z. On Sunday he worked (starting at 1518z) PJ2T, WP4SK, YN2NB, TI8M, CE4CT, TI5N, PY1KN, KH7X, KH6RC, CS2C (Europe!), and ZF2AM. CS2C was at 1934z and ZF2AM at 2146z.

John wrote, "All stations were ebbing and flowing rapidly. I would wait a few minutes to see if where their signal was peaking over the course of 3-5 minutes and if they were peaking above S2 I would pounce during the peak. Most peaks only lasted 10-20 seconds and then they were back in the noise."

Harvey Moskowitz, W2YWC of Livingston, New Jersey wrote, "I am working on 5 Band DXCC with only one contact needed for 10 meters to complete the cycle. I check 10 meters periodically daily and the DX websites, as well. Sunday, March 8 openings to SA were apparent and I worked OA4SS, Lima, loud and strong for number 100! Also many signals from Brazil and Argentina. (3 element beam and running 100 watts!) U never know."

George Hall, W4BUW of Taylors, South Carolina also sent a report on 10 meter activity on March 8. He said he didn't spend much time on 10 meters, but did work OA4SS at 2106z with S9 signals, and LU7DAG at 2109, also S9. He heard many other stations on 10 meters, but didn't bother to work them. Like several people who wrote this week, he thinks that may people will tune into a quiet band, and because they don't call CQ, they never know that it was actually open, and think the band must be dead.

Brian Webb, KD6NRP who I believe is in Ventura County, California wrote, "It's a good thing I read last week's propagation bulletin. On Saturday, March 14, I recalled that your propagation bulletin mentioned recent 10-meter openings between the U.S. and South America. At about 2200 UTC I decided to give 10M a try. I tuned around and found a CW station calling CQ. I answered and subsequently had a QSO with KH6ZM on Hawaii's big island. What a pleasant surprise! Although I have worked several stations on 10-meters via E-skip, this was my first long-range contact on that

band."

Brian has a very interesting web site, http://www.spacearchive.info/ which has info on launches from Vandenberg Air Force Base.

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Finally, Art Jackson, KA5DWI of North Richland Hills, Texas has an interesting and useful document on seasonal sporadic-E propagation, which will probably increase next month. Read it at, http://propnet.org/docs/art/ProbabilityEs.pdf. This looks like it perhaps could be an update to a similar document mentioned in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP018 from last year, which is no longer available at the URL mentioned at that time.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for March 12 through 18 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 68.7, 68.2, 68.5, 68.4, 69.4, 68.8, and 68.4 with a mean of 68.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 16, 9, 7, 5, 3 and 1 with a mean of 6.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 10, 7, 5, 4, 3 and 0 with a mean of 5.
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4U1UN - Bernie, W3UR and other four operators will be active from the United Nations Headquarters during the weekend. Activity is expected to begin around 21 UTC on 20 March and continue into midday on the 22nd. They will be QRV with two stations, with an emphasis on the low bands and special attention for Japan (20m at 21.30-23.00 UTC), VK/ZL & other Pacific (40m at 09.00-11.00 UTC), VK6 (20m at 00.00 UTC; 40m longpath at 22.30-23.30 UTC). QSL via HB9BOU. Updates will be posted on http://twitter.com/dailydx [TNX The Daily DX]
5N - 5N0OCH is the callsign issued to Bodo, DL3OCH (HB9EHJ) for HF activity during his stay in Abuja, Nigeria, from 21 March until July [425DXN 931]. He plans to operate during his spare time on160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. Hopefully he will also go and operate from IOTA group AF-076. Further information can be found at http://www.dl3och.de/. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
5Z - Eltje/PA3CEE, Rene/PE1L and Ronald/PA3EWP will be active from Kenya on 1-12 April. They will operate as 5Z4EME on 2m and 70cm EME (details can be found at www.emelogger.com/kenya); Ronald will also operate on the HF bands as 5Z4/PA3EWP, using verticals for 10-40 metres and a homemade amplifier. QSL 5Z4EME via PA3CEE, QSL 5Z4/PA3EWP via PA7FM. [TNX PA3EWP]
8P - Richard, G3RWL will be active as 8P6DR from Barbados (NA-021) on 2-24 April. He will operate holiday style on 160-10 metres CW and digital modes. Better not to expect him on the bands on 8 April, as it will be his wedding day! QSL via home call, sirect or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to g3rwl@...). [TNX G3RWL]
9A - Celebrating the 800th anniversary of the charter that granted city rights to Varazdin, the local radio club (9A1HDE/9A7A) will operate as 9A800VZ until the end of the year. The first activity will be during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest on 28-29 March. QSL via 9A7A. [TNX 9A2X]
9M8 - Steve, 9M6DXX has changed his plans [425DXN 931] and will now

operate as 9M8Z from Sarawak, East Malaysia (OC-088) on 21-29 March, CQ WW WPX SSB Contest included. Outside the contest, look for him especially on 40 metres SSB. QSL via M0URX, direct, bureau or LoTW. [TNX 9M6DXX]
CT3 - Helmut, DF7ZS will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as CS9L from Madeira (AF-014). Expect some casual operating as CT3/DF7ZS between 24 and 31 March. QSL CS9L via DJ6QT, QSL CT3/DF7ZS via home call (bureau preferred). [TNX DF7ZS]
DU - Max, M0GHQ will be visiting the Philippines between late March and late April. He expects to operate from the islands of Cebu (OC-129), Samal (OC-235, 29-31 March) and Mindanao (OC-130), and to attend the Philippine Amateur Radio Association's 77th annual hamvention, to be held on 17-19 April on Leyte Island (OC-129). He plans to be active on 160-10 metres (plus possibly 6 metres) SSB, PSK31 and RTTY with 100 watts and wire antennas. [TNX The Daily DX]
E5_sc - Bob, ZL1RS as E51EME and Lance, W7GJ as E51SIX will activate the South Cook Islands on 2 and 6 metres EME between 26 March and 4 April. They will operate from Rarotonga (OC-013, grid BG08dr). Further information can be found at http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/E51SIX.htm [TNX OZ6OM]
GM - Theo, ON4ATW and others have a plan to be active as MM0RAI/p from Rockall (EU-189) for three days during the first week of May. A dedicated website is under construction and is expected to be launched by the end of March. [TNX MM0NDX]
GW - The Strumblehead DX and Contest Group (http://www.mc0shl.com) will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as both MW9W and MC0SHL - depending on the number of operators there may be more calls on air. QSL via M0URX. Expect some activity on 30m RTTY before the contest. [TNX G1VDP]
HZ - Mohamad/HZ1MD, Firas/HZ1FS and Sulaiman/7Z1SJ are active as HZ1FS/p from Hibar Island, in the Red Sea Coast South/Jizan Province group, IOTA AS-192 (new one). They expect to operate mainly SSB, with some digital modes and maybe CW, and to remain on the island until the 23rd, or even longer depending on local conditions. QSL via EA7FTR.
I - A team from ARI San Severo and a few guest operators will be active as IL7G from the Tremiti Islands (EU-050) from 30 May to 2 June. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-70cm, and to participate in the 13th Gargano Contest (31 May, 6m CW and SSB). QSL via IW7EBE, direct or bureau. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information can be found at www.qrz.com under IL7G. [TNX I7CSB]
J6 - John, W5JON will be active as J6/W5JON from St. Lucia (NA-108) from 25 March to 2 April. He plans to operate on 160-6 metres and to participate in the CQ WPX SSB Contest. QSL via W5JON. [TNX The Daily DX]
JD1_oga- A fourth operator will be joining the three ones who will be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara between 29 April and 12 May [425DXN 929]. Dates and callsigns are as follows:
JD1BLK 29 April-5 May QSL via JM1LJS

JD1BLY 29 April-5 May QSL via JI5RPT
JD1BMT 2-5 May QSL via JE4SMQ
JD1BMH 2-12 May QSL via JG7PSJ
They plan to operate CW, SSB and data modes on 160-6 metres, plus satellite. Logsearches and further information will be available on their individual websites: http://radio-dream.com/jd1blk/e/ (JD1BLK), http://sapphire.ganko.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/ (JD1BMH) and http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ (JD1BLY) [TNX JI5RPT]
JT - Alexey/UA4HOX, Vic/UA4HBW, Eugeny/RK3AD and Alex/RK4HM have been active as JT1R from Mongolia since 17 March. They will participate in the Russian DX Contest and will remain there through 25 March. QSL via RW4HB. Log search and updates can be found at www.hamonline.ru [TNX RA4HT]
KH0 - Toshiyuki, JP1PZE will be active as K7XF/KH0 from Saipan (OC-086) on 3-7 April. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via JP1PZE, direct or bureau. [TNX JP1PZE]
KP2 - Ann, KP2YL and Brian, KP2HC will be active from St. Croix, US Virgin Islands (NA-106) from 28 March through 7 April. Look for them on 160-6 metres CW and SSB. As always, Brian will be monitoring 6m for any band openings. QSL direct only (see www.qrz.com), with sufficient postage to cover the upcoming US postal rate increase. [TNX KP2HC]
OH0 - Anne, OH2YL will be active as OH0/OH2YL from the Aland Islands (EU-002) on 9-14 April. She will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX OH2YL]
OY - Health problems have caused Lars, OZ1FJB to cancel his 16 March-1 April trip [425DXN 932] to the Faroe Islands. [TNX The Daily DX]
OZ - Paolo, I2AE will be touring Denmark indicatively between 1 and 15 May. He plans to visit and operate on 40 and 20 metres SSB as OZ/I2AE/p from a large number of islands (most of them qualifying for IOTA groups EU-125, EU-171, EU-172 or EU-029) and lighthouses. QSL via home call. His planned itinerary can be found at http://www.qrz.com/db/i2ae [TNX I2AE]
PA - Adriaan, PE2KP (previous callsign PE1KHP, www.pe2kp.nl) will be active on all bands and modes as PE25KP on 1-12 May to celebrate his Silver Jubilee with amateur radio. QSL via bureau to PE2KP. [TNX PE2KP]
VE - The VX8X expedition to Ellice Island (NA-192) [425DXN 931] has been postponed and is now scheduled to happen on 2-5 April. The plan has been revised to include more operating time on 40 and 17 metres in addition to the planned activity on 20 metres. Expect to hear simultaneous operations on two bands during peak hours. Special attention will be given to Europe and Japan. Bookmark http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA for updates. [TNX VE8EV]
VK9L - Announced frequencies for the 23 March-3 April VK9LA DXpedition to Lord Howe [425DXN 929] are:
SSB 3797, 7084, 14250, 18165, 21290, 24987, 28470, 50100
CW 1813, 3513,7013, 10106, 14023, 18072, 21023, 24892, 28023, 50100
RTTY 10135, 14088, 18100, 21088, 24925, 28088

A serious emphasis will be put on the low bands, and "extensive work has taken place to make sure all operators are familiar with various sunrise sunset times throughout the world". There will be an operator on every low band every day whend they are in darkness. Detailed information on the operating strategy on the low bands can be found at http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm. They also expect "huge openings" on 30 metres, and, with their station separation, they should be able to run two stations simultaneously to maximize openings. The DXpedition will have Internet capability 24 hours a day, and they intend to have photos, on-line log check and QSO totals updated on a regular basis. QSL via VK4FW, direct or bureau. Direct and bureau cards can also be requested through the On-line QSL Request Service (details on the website). Two team members (SQ8X and SQ9DIE) are also on Twitter (http://twitter.com/vk9la).

VK9M - The VK9GMW team (George, AA7JV and Tomi, HA7RY) [425DXN 929] has been enroute to Mellish Reef since 17 March. However, they are currently stuck at Marion Reef to wait for the "extreme weather conditions" to improve. They hope to be able to continue their voyage on Sunday or Monday, but the low pressure system "poses a serious danger" to them. QSL via HA7RY. An Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) for bureau cards will be available after the end of the operation. The log will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information and updates can be found at http://www.vk9gmw.com

YJ - Dennis, F5VHY (G3MXJ) and Nigel, G3TXF will be active as YJ0MXJ and YJ0TXF from the Aore Island Resort off Espiritu Santo (OC-035), Vanuatu from 10 UTC on 27 March to 15 UTC on 1 April. They will operate CW only, mainly on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. There will be no 160m, but if local conditions permit they will try 80 metres. QSL via home calls. On their way out to and back from Vanuatu they will operate from New Caledonia (FK/G3MXJ and FK/G3TXF, 25-26 March) and Norfolk Island (G3MXJ/VK9N and G3TXF/VK9N, 4 April). All logs will be uploaded to LoTW. The web page for the expedition can be found at www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/YJ/YJ.html

YU - Lui, HB9EDB will be active as YU/HB9EDB from the Resava Valley Amateur Radio Club (YU1ARC, http://www.yu1arc.com) from 25 March to 1 April, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. [TNX HB9EDB]

ZF - Adrian, AA5UK will be active from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 25 March to 8 April. He will be using ZF2AE from Grand Cayman and ZF2AE/ZF8 from Little Cayman; he plans to operate holiday style on AO-51, SO-50, VO-52 and FO-29 satellites, and to be on the HF bands (40-10 metres) for part on the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest and the rest of his stay on Little Cayman. Look for him especially during his afternoon and evening hours. QSL via home call, direct, bureau, LoTW or eQSL. [TNX AA5UK]

ZF - Sharon, K7WZB and Garry, K9WZB will be operating from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 21 April to 6 May. Look for ZF2ZB on 160-6 metres SSB, RTTY, CW and PSK 31. They will be monitoring 6 metres

most of the time for opening to US and Europe. QSL direct to
K9WZB. [TNX K9WZB]

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HOLYLAND CONTEST ---> The Holyland DX Contest 2008 results can be found on the IARC website (http://www.iarc.org/?page_id=353/), along with the rules for this years' event (18 April, 00.00-23.59 UTC). [TNX 4Z4KX]

QSL VP2MKK ---> Please note that the QSL route for the recent activity is via KK1KW (direct, LoTW or eQSL). The QSL route for contacts made with VP2MKK operated by W6KK on 2-13 December 2004 is via W8QID. [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL VIA 3A2LF ---> Claude, 3A2LF is closing down the logs for 3A100GM (1995), 3A7G (1997) and 3A50R (1999). If you still need a card, please go direct to Claude Passet, 3 allee Guillaume Apollinaire, MC 98000 Monaco. Claude also still has a few blank cards for other special callsigns, please e-mail him (cpasset@...) and check for availability. [TNX 3A2LF]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0KM, 3B8CF, 3DA0VB, 3V8BB, 3V8SS, 4L0B, 4L4MM, 4L8A, 4O0A, 4O0HQ, 4S7AB, 4S7NE, 4W6MM, 4X4WN, 4Z1UF, 5B/AJ2O, 5B4/RW9UP, 5D0IPY, 5H3VMB, 5I3A, 5N/LZ1QK, 5R8VB, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 5Z4/W0NB, 6W/DL2RMC, 6W7RV, 7P8BA, 7P8VB, 7Q7VB, 8P0P, 8P1A, 8P9MD, 8Q7AU, 8R1AK, 9J2BO, 9J2VB, 9M6XRO, 9M8Z, 9U0VB, 9X0R, 9X0VB, A45WD, A5100A, A71CV, A92GE, AP2DKH, BA0AA, BT1OB, BT1OH, BT1OJ, BT1ON, BT1OY, C4N, C6AKX, C91VB, CE0Y/N6NO, CE1/K7CA, CE9/K2ARB, CO6LC/7 (NA-086), CX/IK1PMR, CX9AU, CY0X, D20VB, D2NX, D4C, D60VB, DU3NXE, DU6BG, E51QQQ, EA9EU, EA9IB, EK6TA, EL2DX, ES1QD, ET3JA, EY7AF, FJ/G3TXF, FJ5KH, FK8CP, FM5CD, FO/DJ7RJ, FO/N6JA, FR5DN, FS5KA, FW5RE, FW8DX, H44MY, HF0POL, HI9/EA3BT (NA-122), HI9/EA3WL (NA-122), HP3TA, IE9N (EU-051), II5AM, J20VB, J88XF, JA7GAX/6 (AS-037), JA7GAX/6 (AS-049)JD1BMM, KP2/K3CT, KP2AD, N8S, OD5/UA4WHX, OH0R, OX5AA, OY/G3TXF, P29NI, PJ2/DJ8NK, PZ5TX, R1FJT, RZ0AF, SD7W/5 (EU-084), ST2VB, SV0XBM/9, SV2ASP/A, T30XX, T31DX, T32YY, T33ZZ, T77C, TA2RC, TF/DL3PS (EU-071), TF/DL3PS (EU-168), TF4M, TF60IRA, TJ3G, TN5SN, TO3R, TR50R, TT8JT, TX5C, UK9AA, UP0L, V26G, V31MR, V31PP, V51VV, V8PMB, VK9DNX, VK9NS, VP2ETN, VP6DI, VP6PR, VP8DKF, VQ9JC, VQ9LA, VR2PX, XU7AAJ, XW1A, XW1B, XX9C, YB1ALL, YJ0MM, YK9G, YN2Z, Z2/UA4WHX, Z29KM, ZD7X, ZD8UW, ZF2NN, ZK2AH, ZK3AH, ZP0R.

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9337. ARLP012 Propagation de K7RA (revision)

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This reporting week (March 12-18) there were no sunspots, but we saw a couple of promising magnetic anomalies which faded away before ever emerging as sunspots.

On Saturday, March 14, Spaceweather.com reported (see http://spaceweather.com/archive.php?view=1&day=14&month=03&year=2009) a sunspot which might have been emerging south of the solar equator.

In addition to displaying an image from the SOHO/MDI (Michelson Doppler Imager) project, Spaceweather.com provided a link to images from Matthias Juergens in Germany. (See http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/03/20/10714/?nc=1 for the link.)

Matthias identified the images as evidence of "small flare activity" in the southeast.

Also see an image on Spaceweather.com from Pete Lawrence, in West Sussex UK. (See http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/03/20/10714/?nc=1 for the link.)

Note the Spaceweather.com image in the first link shows the possible sunspot in the lower left quadrant of the visible solar disk, which according to terrestrial mapping conventions would be the southwest quadrant. Why is the solar convention opposite? I believe it is based on a mirror image of the earthly convention.

Instead of imagining yourself in space, looking down at the Earth with west on your left and east on your right, and then applying the same convention if facing the Sun, instead look at the Sun from an earthbound perspective.

Imagine a sunny day, and you are lying flat on a lawn, facing the Sun, with your body oriented so that your head is toward the north and feet toward south. Without actually looking at the Sun, your right side would be pointing west, and if you raise your right arm to point to the right side of the Sun, according to convention that is also the west.

So sunspots travel across the Sun (relative to Earth) from left to right, from east to west.

On Sunday, March 15, Spaceweather.com reported a blank Sun at, http://spaceweather.com/archive.php?view=1&day=15&month=03&year=2009, but that "two proto-sunspots" were visible near the Sun's equator. But the next day, and all week the Sun remained blank. Solar flux has been quite low also.

If you check http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html for daily forecasts, you will see that every day the solar flux prediction has been a solid and unchanging 70 for the following 45 days. But solar flux values have actually declined slightly over the past few weeks. As reported in this bulletin, the weekly average solar flux ending on Wednesdays for the period beginning February 19 and ending March 18 was 70.2, 69.5, 69 and 68.6.

If you check the latest 45-day forecast, which at the time of the writing of this bulletin was March 19, you will see that the predicted planetary A index for March 20-21 is 8, followed by a slightly quieter level of 5. The next moderate geomagnetic disturbance is expected April 9-10, with planetary A index of 15 and 10.

By the time you read this, the Vernal Equinox has passed and it is Spring in the Northern Hemisphere. The equinox is early on March 20 for much of the Western Hemisphere, at 1144z, which is 04:44 PDT and 07:44 EDT. This is a popular time of year for fans of HF propagation, with the Southern Hemisphere moving into the fall season, and bathed in sunlight equal to the Northern Hemisphere.

Al Lorona, W6LX of Arcadia, California asked about transitions from one solar cycle to the next, and what the overlap was like. If we want to take a look at the last transition, from Cycle 22 to Cycle 23, you can inspect old copies of this bulletin in 1996, which was the last solar minimum. The archive is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/ and just click on Show Older Bulletins, then Propagation for 1996. You can see the weekly averages, and in the Fall of that year there were weeks of no sunspots. But in 1997 you can see the weekly averages rose substantially. Such is not the case right now.

Looking back to the ARRL International DX Contest, SSB weekend, Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote on March 7: "There were surprisingly good condx at least on 20M in the few hours I've operated in the ARRL DX test. On 20M, at the start, the band

was open fairly well to JA and KL7RA was loud. J5UAG answered a CQ, and South America up to as far north as Cuba was loud, but by 2335Z the PYs and LUs were fading out here in favor of areas farther west and by 2355Z almost all stations to the south were gone. But, KH6 was loud. 40 was open well only to southern and western EU at 01Z. At 1515Z, I started tuning across 15M which was only open to the south, but the opening kept improving as I tuned up the band with Caribbean stations becoming loud. I worked as far north as KP2M and FS5KA. V48M who was S5 and not workable thru his pile-up was S9 and easy 10 minutes later. P40A running 100W was the loudest station I heard about 20 db over S9."

John Coleman, K5JVC of Oklahoma City worked the same DX contest, using 5 watts and a 31 foot vertical on 15 meters, which I guess would be about 5/8 wavelength on that band. On Saturday, March 7 beginning at 1335z he worked HI3K, VP5H, 6Y1V, HI3TEJ, VP2E, LT0H, LU2QC, P40A, KP2M, WP4U, PJ4G, and VP8KF (The Falklands were LOUD!) with the last at 1938z. On Sunday he worked (starting at 1518z) PJ2T, WP4SK, YN2NB, TI8M, CE4CT, TI5N, PY1KN, KH7X, KH6RC, CS2C (Europe!), and ZF2AM. CS2C was at 1934z and ZF2AM at 2146z.

John wrote, "All stations were ebbing and flowing rapidly. I would wait a few minutes to see if where their signal was peaking over the course of 3-5 minutes and if they were peaking above S2 I would pounce during the peak. Most peaks only lasted 10-20 seconds and then they were back in the noise."

Harvey Moskowitz, W2YWC of Livingston, New Jersey wrote, "I am working on 5 Band DXCC with only one contact needed for 10 meters to complete the cycle. I check 10 meters periodically daily and the DX websites, as well. Sunday, March 8 openings to SA were apparent and I worked OA4SS, Lima, loud and strong for number 100! Also many signals from Brazil and Argentina. (3 element beam and running 100 watts!) U never know."

George Hall, W4BUW of Taylors, South Carolina also sent a report on 10 meter activity on March 8. He said he didn't spend much time on 10 meters, but did work OA4SS at 2106z with S9 signals, and LU7DAG at 2109, also S9. He heard many other stations on 10 meters, but didn't bother to work them. Like several people who wrote this week, he thinks that may people will tune into a quiet band, and because they don't call CQ, they never know that it was actually open, and think the band must be dead.

Brian Webb, KD6NRP who I believe is in Ventura County, California wrote, "It's a good thing I read last week's propagation bulletin. On Saturday, March 14, I recalled that your propagation bulletin mentioned recent 10-meter openings between the U.S. and South America. At about 2200 UTC I decided to give 10M a try. I tuned around and found a CW station calling CQ. I answered and subsequently had a QSO with KH6ZM on Hawaii's big island. What a

pleasant surprise! Although I have worked several stations on 10-meters via E-skip, this was my first long-range contact on that band."

Brian has a very interesting web site, http://www.spacearchive.info/ which has info on launches from Vandenberg Air Force Base.

I've noticed that sometimes I can see the antennas of readers who write in to the bulletin, via aerial photos at http://maps.live.com/. Just look up the street address online at http://www.qrz.com/ or http://www.arrl.org/ and enter it with the ZIP code on the maps.live page. On many locations, an option called "Bird's eye" will appear. Click on this option and instead of a satellite photo, you can see a high resolution aerial photo taken from a low flying plane. In the upper left you can use + to zoom in, and if you select another direction (it defaults to north), you don't just turn the image, but you actually see a different photo from a different perspective, often taken on a different day with different lighting conditions. For example, enter 225 Main St, 06111 for a view of W1AW.

Finally, Art Jackson, KA5DWI of North Richland Hills, Texas has an interesting and useful document on seasonal sporadic-E propagation, which will probably increase next month. Read it at, http://propnet.org/docs/art/ProbabilityEs.pdf. This looks like it perhaps could be an update to a similar document mentioned in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP018 from last year, which is no longer available at the URL mentioned at that time.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for March 12 through 18 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 68.7, 68.2, 68.5, 68.4, 69.4, 68.8, and 68.4 with a mean of 68.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 16, 9, 7, 5, 3 and 1 with a mean of 6.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 10, 7, 5, 4, 3 and 0 with a mean of 5.
NNNN

/EX

9338. Re: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-21 06:51:42 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9296 Message: 9338

This is why I took reply to all off the standard options of this list......

Don
N1DG/A6

At 06:40 PM 3/18/2009, WB6PSY wrote:

>Reminds me of a now sk who used to hike up his shorts before calling - was
>quite successful too!
>Rene
>
>----- Original Message -----
>From: "John Becker" <<mailto:johnb3030%40comcast.net>johnb3030@...>
>To: <<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 1:23 PM
>Subject: [DX-IS] Re: List members in the Carribean
>
> >> She ended up working about 100 in that 20 meter pileup.
> >> I think she's finally convinced a woman can
> >> easily draw a crowd on SSB!
> >
> > Quite a few years ago, there was a licensed XYL I knew at work who
> > didn't have an HF station at home. I invited her over one Sunday
> > afternoon during one of the major SSB DX contests to show her what DXing
> > was all about.
> >
> > We took turns at the microphone for an hour or so until she got the hang
> > of things. Then we came across a relatively rare African station on 10M
> > who had a huge pileup on his frequency. I had her call him using her
> > call, and she got him on the first call. Then I called him without
> > success for ten minutes. I told her she had just witnessed the power of
> > the female voice in a pileup!
> >
> > 73,
> >
> > John, K9MM
> >
>
>

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QSL Manager: A61AD, A61AO, A61X, A61AQ, KH7Z

Member: FOC, ARRL, DDXA, YCCC
2006 Inductee into the CQ DX Hall of Fame
DON GREENBAUM , DUXBURY, MA, USA
AIM: aurumtel

9339. Amplifier Reflector

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-22 16:08:18 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9339 Message: 9339

Is the contesting.com amplifier reflector still active ?

I try to subscribe and only get some cryptic message from amp-bounces@contesting .com.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9340. Amplifier Reflector - Cancel last e-mail

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-22 16:11:49 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9340 Message: 9340

I found I was on the wrong subscription page. The link from a Google search was defective.

I found the right one though.

Cancel my request !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9341. YOKOGAWA Medical RF Amplifier

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-22 19:46:57 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9341 Message: 9341

I have a chance to pick up one of these, it has two 3-500Z's in it.

The Model Number is 9306UL. I would like to put it on 6 Meters.

Has anyone had any experience with one of these ? Does anyone

have any info on it ?

I am awaiting my membership approval on the Amp reflector, but

thought I would ask here while waiting.

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

9342. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #901

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-22 20:20:43 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9342 Message: 9342

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March 23, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-March, through Sunday, 22nd-March there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9L, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/g, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4Z, ISRAEL. Ziv, 4Z4OQ, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via 4Z4OQ.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P1A during the CQWW WPX DX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

9A800, CROATIA. Members of the Radio Club "Varazdin" (9A1HDE/9A7A) will be active as 9A800VZ until the end of the year. First activity will be during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). Activity is to celebrate the 800th anniversary that King Andrija II gave to the people of Varazdin the status as a free and royal town. More details are available on QRZ.com. QSL via 9A7A.

9M8, EAST MALAYIA (Update/Change). Steve, 9M6DXX, will operate as 9M8Z from Sarawak (OC-088), March 21-29th. Activity will include the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Operator/Unassisted/All-Band/ High-Power entry. Outside the contest look for him to be on 20 meters SSB early afternoons, 40 meters SSB later on. He will use a 3 element Yagi. QSL via M0URX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. The reason Steve is going earlier than first announced, is that he has been asked to give a presentation on DXpeditioning at an "Amateur Radio Roadshow" being held by MCMC, the Malaysian licensing authority, on Saturday, March 21st.

ANOTHER ANTARCTIC OP & CRUISE IS BEING PLANNED. Mehdi, F5PFP, announced this past weekend that he is in touch with several French skippers for another planned expedition to the Antarctic area to take place in 2 years. He stresses that this is just in the "PROJECT stage", not an official announcement!! The itinerary would be more or less the following:
Machu Picchu + Republica del Ecuador refuge (King George Island)
Cerda traces station (Deception Island)
Maldonado (Greenwich Island)
Portal Point traces station (West Graham island)
Port Circoncision (Petermann Island)
Yelcho (Doumer Island)
Melchior (Observatorio Island)
And possibly a few more bases/refuges
Mehdi states this kind of expedition will take a long time to prepare because of the high cost (+/- 6000 Euros per person). If you wish to be part of Mehdi's team, send an E-mail to him at: f5pfp@...

ATTENTION TOPBANDERS! This web page may be of interest to the Topbanders. Site provides a "Whos Who on Topband" at: http://www.qsl.net/160/

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Just a reminder that members of the Texas DX Society will be active as C91TX from Bilene, Maputo Province, between March 25th and April 5th. Bilene is 180km from the capital city of Maputo. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters with 3 active stations, one station each for CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. They will participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). Operators mentioned are: Cal/WF5W, Paul/W5PF, Madison/W5MJ, Bill/K5WAF, Dale/KG5U and Jim/N4AL. QSL Manager for C91TX is W5PF. Depending on internet access, they hope to have an online log search page once operations start, but don't expect daily updates. For updates, visit the Texas DX Society C91TX Web page at: http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html

CQ3, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Members of the CT3Team will be active as CQ3T during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via the LoTW or CT3KN.

CT3/CS9, MADEIRA ISLANDS (Update). Helmut, DF7ZS, will be active as CT3/homecall between March 24-31st. His activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). He will sign CS9L for the contest. QSL via DJ6QT. Look for casual operation before the contest. QSL via the Bureau. Visit his Web page at: http://www.df7zs.de

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Randy, N0TG, informs OPDX: "Everything is coming together nicely for the October 2009 DXpedition. Formal authorization to access the island has been received, and the team is actively preparing. Everyone is invited to visit the Web site periodically for continuing detailed information at: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com
Also, the team would invite you to sign the Guestbook." From their Web page, activity will take place between October 7-14th, and operators will sign homecall/CY0. Operators mentioned are: Murray/WA4DAN, Randy/N0TG and Ron/AA4VK. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

DAYTON HAMVENTION DX ACTIVITIES. The SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) is pleased to announce the speakers for this year's DX dinner to be held in conjunction with the 2009 HamVention. Their speakers will be John Stanley/K4ERO, and Ruth Stanley/WB4LUA. This husband and wife team travel the globe installing, maintaining and training personnel for religious international shortwave stations. They have been to over 60 DXCC entities and operated from more than 12 of them. John has written many technical articles in the ham journals (with one in the April 2009 issue of QST), is a recipient of the 2007 Doug DeMaw Technical Excellence Award and is an ARRL Technical Advisor, having contributed many pieces to the ARRL Handbook. When they accepted the invitation to be our speakers, Ruth commented that they have "....lots of interesting details about antennas and contest sites and DXing possibilities along with stories and more stories. I can hardly wait to hear what we'll say."
The dinner will be Friday evening, May 15th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, located in Dayton city center. Attendees will have their choice of either a steak dinner or a vegetarian dinner. They must be informed when the tickets are ordered if you want the vegetarian option. Tickets are 39.00 USDs per meal, payable in U.S. funds to SWODXA. (Sorry, they do not process PayPal or Credit Card payments.) Please advise if you want a vegetarian meal when you order. Order from Pete Meyer, N0FW, at his CBA. SASE is required or you may pick up your tickets at the door. They attempt to honor group seating requests when tickets are ordered together. There is not a bad seat in the house, but seating is definitely limited. Come join them for an evening of fun and fellowship.
As in the past, there will be some nice door prizes. Last year the main prize was an Icom IC-756 Pro III, but this year ICOM has promised them one of the first IC-7600's to be brought in to the United States! Up-to-date information may be found on the club's Web site at: http://www.swodxa.com
Pete's E-mail address is: n0fw <at> live <dot> com.
Last year Yaesu joined them in sponsoring the DX forum during HamVention. They have agreed to partner with them again for 2009. There will be a FT-2000 with PEP raffled off at the end of the DX forum. The winner does not have to be present. Tickets for a chance on the FT-2000 are 5.00 USDs each or 5 for 20.00 USDs. For your convenience, they may be ordered at

the same time you purchase your DX dinner tickets. All proceeds from this raffle are used by SWODXA to assist in providing DXpedition grants. Confirmed DXpeditions to present at the DX forum are: E44M by Simone, IZ0BTV; K5D by TBD; African DX Safaris by Frosty, K5LBU; VK9DWX by Josh, W4WJF. The DX forum is currently scheduled for Saturday, May 16th, to begin at 2:45 PM.

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. Operators Richard/9A1TT, Vlado/E70T, Zoka/E76C, Braco/E77DX and Rob/E77E will be active as E7DX during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS (AF-004). Operator Valery, RD3AF, will be active as EF8M during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via UA3DX (QRZ.com).

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY (NA-146). Operators Oscar/EB1HF and Pablo/EC1DPM will be active as FJ/homecall between April 7-12th. Activity will be only on the digital modes, principally on RTTY, on the 20/15/10 meter bands. They will have two Icom 706s into dipoles and a 2 element yagi (by Super Antenna). Their QSL Manager is EC1AE. QSL only direct, (w/SAE + 2 USDs) or (w/SAE + 1 IRC) VALID CN01 IRC, to: Oscar Gancedo, P.O. Box 921, E-33080, Oviedo, SPAIN.

HH, HAITI (Update to OPDX.849/899). Operators Jan/K4QD and Don/AF4Z will be active as HH4/homecall from the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission (www.nwhcm.org) between March 24th and April 4th. They will operate 80-10 meters on CW, SSB and RTTY as time permits. Nighttime low band operations will be limited to the availability of AC power. They will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th), along with Jean-Robert, HH2JR, using the special prefix and callsign 4V4JR for the contest. QSL via their home callsigns. Operators prefer direct or LoTW, but the Bureau is "OK".

HQ2, HONDURAS. Operator Dan, HR2DMR, will be active as HQ2W during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power/ Assisted entry. He will use monobander antennas on 20/15/10m and sloper antennas on 160/80/40m. QSL via HR2DMR. QSL via address on QRZ.com.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-192. (UPDATE/New IOTA) Operators Firas/HZ1FS, Mohamad/HZ1MD and Suli/7Z1SJ are now active as HZ1FS/P from Hibar Island in the Red Sea Coast South (Jizan Province) Group until March 23rd (but may stay longer). Activity will be mainly SSB with possibly some CW and Digital, on 160/40/20/17/15/10 meters. They will have three stations with many antennas (mainly using a spider beam on 20/15/10m). QSL via EA7FTR.

EU-052. Operators George/SV1QN, Fotis/SV1AIN, Giannis/SV1GYG and Nikos/SW1GYN will be active as homecall/8 from Zakynthos Island [aka Zante] (GIOTA INS-015, MIA MG-138, WLOTA 0209) between March 23-29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using all modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

EU-189. SPECIAL NOTICE by Theo, ON4ATW, about the Rockall operation (dated March 21st): "We are disappointed and surprised to read the news on some web pages and DX-bulletins about our planned operation from Rockall Island sometime this year. Apparently one of the organizations where we filled out an application form in order to receive sponsoring has abused this information and distributed this without notice to us. Sadly all information on those web pages and personal blogs is misleading and definitely not correct! Please be advised that any information will be forthcoming from me ON4ATW or at least will carry my signature in order to inform the DX community with real and up-to-date information. We are at a critical phase in preparing this expedition and releasing info at this stage could jeopardize the whole operation. Therefore, I ask you, our audience, to standby until accurate and inside information will be released once we have the feeling it is time to do so. Up until now nothing is official and we do not agree with individuals sending info to the DX-bulletins without prior notice to one of the actual Rockall 2009 team members."

NA-192. (Op Delayed) The date for the VX8X DXpedition has been moved back two weeks due to the requirements of the ongoing drilling operations on Ellice Island. Operators John/VE8EV, Wally/VE8DW and Gerry/VE8GER will now be active as VX8X from Ellice Island, April 2-5th. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meter CW/SSB during a 24 hour per day non-stop operation. Expect to see them on CW, but most of the focus will be on 20 meter SSB on 14260 kHz. QSL via the information on QRZ.com under VX8X. For additional info and possible updates, visit the following Web page at: http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA

JW, SVALBARD. Just a reminder that Francois, F8DVD, will once again be active as JW/F8DVD from the Longyearbyen ARC located on Spitsbergen Island, 78 degree North, and about a thousand kilometers far from the geographic North Pole (EU-026, WAZ 40 and Grid Square JQ78TF), April 19-25th. His activity will be on all HF bands both CW and SSB. This will be Francois's 6th time on the island. He will use the Longyearbyen Radio Club's equipment which consists of an ICOM 751 and a 500 watts PA, into a 5 elements yagi on a 30 meters high tower. QSL via his home callsign, through the French REF-Union Bureau or direct, w/SAE + 1 IRC (or 1 USD for EU, and 2 USDs for elsewhere) to: Francois Bergez, 6, Rue de la Liberte, F-71000 MACON, France.

K5D DXPEDITION DVD. The K5D Desecheo Island 2009 DVD is in the works. Bob/K4UEE and Ed/W4ZSB will produce yet another exciting DXpedition video. In the tradition of previous video productions, the K5D Dxpedition video, entitled, "Desecheo---so near, yet so far" will be full of exciting footage of the helicopter trips, the island from the air, camp set up and takedown, pileups you won't believe and of course an inside look into the logistics of a big DXpedition, interviews with key team members and of course, humor. The video should be ready by September 2009 and will

sell for 25.00 USDs. But by ordering now, you reserve an early copy of this collectors' item at a discounted price of 22.00 USDs. As always, this includes shipping and handling. To reserve your copy, go to: http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/k4uee/prebuy.htm

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Lars, DF1LON, will be active as LX7I during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

OH0, ALAND ISLAND (EU-002). Anne, OH2YL, will be active as OH0/OH2YL between April 9-14th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via OH2YL.

OL, CZECH REPUBLIC. Members of the Jelinek Vladimir Radioklub (OK2KJU) of Prerov will be active as OL7T during the CQ World Wide WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: OK2BXU, OK2BXE and OK2BZP. QSL via OK2BXU.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (IOTA Op). Once again the team of operators Luis/ CT1AGF, Derek/G3KHZ, Steve/G4EDG and Hans/SM6CVX, plus Gordon/G3USR, will activate three Papua New Guinea IOTA islands between October 22nd and November 9th. Islands mentioned are Tanga Island (OC-102), Green Island (OC-231) and Woodlark Island (OC-205) . Activity will be on 160-15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY modes. Gordon/G3USR will be exclusively on SSB. The team will be using new single band vertical dipoles for 30-15 meters and a ground plane for 40 meters.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES (Contest Station Available). Geoff, W0CG (PJ2DX), resident caretaker of PJ2T, announced that nobody in the PJ2T club (CCC - Caribbean Contesting Consortium) is interested or able to operate the Curacao station for the IARU HF World Championship in July. Thus, the place is available if you would be interested in coming there as a Single-Op, or to organize a group operation. With sufficient lead time, Geoff could arrange for you to get a callsign of the form PJ2* (except that PJ2A, PJ2R, and PJ2T are unavailable). If you wanted to do a group operation that would include Geoff for a little bit of the operating time, you would be able to sign PJ2T. Two by two callsigns are NOT allowed for visitors to Curacao, sorry. The QTH has two bedrooms, two baths, and four beds available. (Geoff will sleep in another room attached to the house.) There's tons of info about the place at: http://www.pj2t.org Geoff is happy to respond to your questions by E-mail at: ghoward@...

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL 4U1UN via HB9BOU. Activity took place this past weekend (Friday through Sunday. Operators mentioned were: Mohamed/ KA2RTD, Johnny/LA2IIA (NQ2G), George/N2GA, Tony/ N2UN and "The Daily DX" editor Bernie/W3UR.
QSL KH0/K2JA via his home callsign, JL3SIK.
QSL V47NT via W2RQ

Petr, OK1DOT, informs OPDX that he is now the QSL Manager for Kunle, 5N0OBA. Kunle is the General Secretary of NARS (Nigera Amateur Radio

Society) and the guardian of Amateur Radio in Nigeria.

CN8CG QSL ROUTE. If you recently used the QSL information on QRZ.com for CN8CG, the QSL route is not correct. The route did state QSL to Jules, W1GPY, but has since been removed. It was reported to OPDX that Jules ceased to be CN8CG in 1998 and was reissued. There is no QSL Manager list for CN8CG. According to HAMCALL, the callsign CN8CG was reissued in 2001 to Kamal Bella (Bloc, Kenitra, Kenitra 14000, Morocco).

OLD LOGS CHANGE HANDS. It was reported that Russ, WA3FRP, has received the following logs that were previously held by Ron, AC7DX, and are now in his possession for safekeeping and possible old QSLs:
XW8FA - Laos (13-Dec-1972 - 09-Apr-1974)
VK0HM - Heard Island (22-Nov-1969 - 03-Apr-1970)
V31UN - Belize (22-Oct-1991 - 31-Oct-1991)
T30W - Western Kiribati (07-Mar-1993 - 14-Aug-1994)

QSLS VIA LOTW: 4M5R, 5K0T, CW7T, CX7TT, EA1WX, EA6NB, HK6P, HQ9R, LQ0F, OA4SS, P40R, PS0F, PY2WC, S53F, T42T, TI5N, TO5A, V26G, WP4SK, YS4M and ZF2AM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4L4MM, 6W/DL2RMC, 9Y4AA, CE0Z/DL2AH, CX9AU, E51QQQ, EL2DX, EY7AF, FK5RE, FK8CP, FO/DJ7RJ, II5AM, KP2AD, OZ1CTK, PA1RJ, T31DX, T33ZZ, TR50R, VK9DNX, VK9DWX, YB1ALL and ZK3AH

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event station R150A to be active through the end of April. Activity is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of A.S.Popov. Operations will be from the Central Museum of Communications in St.Petersburg. Activity over the past week has been on 40/20 meters CW and SSB. QSL via RK1A.

SPECIAL EVENT (Dayton HamVention). Look for special event station W1AW/8 to be on the air during the Dayton HamVention (May 15-17th). They are currently looking for volunteers to operate the station for 4 hour shifts. Volunteers will receive an on-grounds parking pass, an admission ticket and a hat. Sign up in advance is STRONGLY recommended -- first come first served on requested shifts. This WILL fill up quickly. Contact via E-mail Jerry Bodey, N8OWV at: jerrybodey@...

VK9C, COCOS-KEELING ISLANDS (OC-003). Bernd, VK2IA, continues to be very active as VK9AA from the Cocos Beach Motel, West Island, until March 27th. Most of his activity this past weekend has been on 20/17/15 meters CW, with some 40/30/10 meters. QSL via DL8YR, direct(QRZ.com) or via DARC Bureau.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Update). As this was being typed, there was some VK9LA activity on the air. The last of the DXpedition team should arrive on the island by March 24th (total of 16 operators). The operation with 7 full HF stations from 2 separate sites, as well as one 6m station will be on the take air until April 3rd. Modes of operation are SSB, CW

and RTTY. For suggested frequencies, see OPDX.899. The QSLing chores will be handled by VK4FW. An online QSL Requesting Service is now available at: http://www.odxg.org/qsl.htm
Any QSL CARDS managed by ODXG inc., or Bill Horner, VK4FW, can be sent to you utilizing this system. This is a FREE service if you request your cards to be sent via the BUREAU. A minimum payment of 5 USDs via PAYPAL is required if you request your cards to be mailed DIRECT TO YOU. QSL cards will be printed by UX5UO. For more updates, details on the DXpedition and how to donate to this operation, please visit the ODXG and VK9LA Web pages at: http://www.odxg.org
http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm
ADDED NOTEL: Lord Howe operators Stan/SQ8X and Pete/SQ9DIE have added a daily blog daily on Twitter.com. Look for regular updates on how the DXpedition is progressing at: http://twitter.com/vk9la

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Update). Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY, who were expected to be active as VK9GMW early this week (possibly Monday), suffered a major delay due to weather. As of Saturday, March 21st, the operators are on Marion Reef and have been there March 17th. As this was being typed, their latest press release states): "It appears the Tropical Low has dissipated. If this is correct, a serious danger to us has been removed. Winds, however, are still near gale force and are forecast to remain strong at least until Tuesday. This means that we will not be able to leave for Mellish until Wednesday, the earliest. The soonest we are likely to be on the air from Mellish is Friday, March 27th. In any case, we will be able to extend the operation to make up for any lost time. While we continue waiting at Marion Reef for the weather to break, we are operating as HA7RY/MM and AA7JV/MM using a short vertical and 00W. Please follow updates at: http://www.vk9gmw.com
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: On March 22nd, the team reports: "We are still on Marion Reef. The weather has improved slightly -- winds are no longer 40 knots -- they have eased to 30 kts. The imminent threat of a hurricane has also been removed. Winds for tomorrow (Monday, March 23rd) are forecast to be 25 kts, seas 9 to 12 feet (3 to 4 meters). We will make an attempt tomorrow to cross the 440 km distance to Mellish Reef. Our plan is to turn back if the seas are too dangerous or untenable. If not successful tomorrow, the next weather window will probably be on Thursday."

YJ0, VANUATU (Pacific CW Tour). Operators Dennis/F5VHY (G3MXJ) and Nigel/G3TXF plan to operate as YJ0MXJ and YJ0TXF, respectively, from the Aore Island Resort off Espiritu Santo (OC-035) in Vanuatu for six days between Friday, March 27th and Wednesday, April 1st. This will be a CW only operation. Given the current paucity of sunspots, the main bands are expected to be 40/30/20/17 meters. They will try 80 meters, if local conditions permit. There will be no 160 meters. QSL YJ0MXJ via F5VHY, and YJ0TXF via G3TXF. The duo also plan to do short operations from New Caledonia (FK) on the way out to Vanuatu, and from Norfolk Island (VK9N) on the way back. Their approximate activity times are as follows:
* FK/G3MXJ & FK/G3TXF: 0006z, Wednesday March 25th to 1200z, Thursday, March 26th
* YJ0MXJ & YJ0TXF : 1000z, Friday, March 27th to

1500z, Wednesday April 1st
* G3MXJ/VK9N & G3TXF/VK9N: 1000z, Saturday, April 4th to
1900z, Saturday April 4th
PLEASE NOTE: All logs will be up-loaded to LoTW when they return home.
There will not be online logs during these operations, nor are they
expecting any Internet access.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Karol, G0UNU, will be active as ZD8KR between
May 4-11th. Activity will be mainly on 20 meters CW and SSB. More details
will be forthcoming closer to these dates (on QRZ.com). QSL via G0UNU,
by the Bureau or direct.

ZP0, PARAGUAY. Tom, ZP5AZL, plans to be active as ZP0R during the CQWW
WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via
ZP5AZL. Visit Tom's Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/cx6vm/ZP5AZL

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9343. Ohio/Penn DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-23 01:51:22 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9343 Message: 9343

For anyone who does not get the Ohio/Penn DX Buillitin:

ATTENTION TOPBANDERS! This web page may be of interest to the Topbanders.
Site provides a "Whos Who on Topband" at: http://www.qsl.net/160/

Also many of the VK9 activities are listed in todays edition, some good stuff today

Dale K8TS
Jackson, MI

9344. VK9LA News

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-23 19:11:43 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9344 Message: 9344

I've just received this from the Island:

The first teammates have arrived on the Island and limited operations are
being conducted by N2OO, VK4FW, N2OZ and W5SL.

The rest of the crew arrives today at Blue Lagoon.

The team has so far has installed an 80 cw dipole, 40 quarter wave elevated
vertical, 30 elevated vertical and 3 ele triband yagi.

The Warc vertical goes up in first daylight as well as the 160 antenna.

They now have 4 stations on the air.

Operators Stan/SQ8X and Pete/SQ9DIE have added a daily blog daily on
Twitter.com. Look for regular updates on how the
DXpedition is progressing at:
<http://twitter.com/vk9la>http://twitter.com/vk9la.

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AIM: aurumtel

9345. Re: VK9LA News

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-23 20:22:04 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9344 Message: 9345

Good signals on 40CW this morning even a couple hours after sunrise.

I need to get on earlier to have a good shot working them, but they were there.

9346. K7C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-24 03:33:52 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9346 Message: 9346

Does anyone know if K7C logs from 2005 are still open?

Dale K8TS

9347. RE: [DX-IS] K7C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-24 05:19:36 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9346 Message: 9347

http://www.cordell.org/KURE/index.html

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Tuesday, 24 March 2009 12:34 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] K7C

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Dale K8TS

9348. Two Questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-25 04:12:57 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9348 Message: 9348

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2.) What is all the ssb I am hearing on 30 mtrs? Is phone legal on 30 somewhere?? I heard it going for awhile around 10.106 this evening, and some this am but didn't take note of the freq.

'bout to turn in--no vk sigs to chase :(

Dale K8TS

9349. Re: [DX-IS] Two Questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-25 08:30:06 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9348 Message: 9349

You've got to be kidding. They're being spotted every few minutes from 160 to 17 meters. VK9LA and VK9AA loud in KH6

Must not be the right time for your band opening.

73 John K1ER/KH6
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 6:12 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Two Questions

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9350. Re: [DX-IS] Two Questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-25 11:08:41 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9348 Message: 9350

SSB on 30 meters is legal in some jurisdictions ... but NOT in the USA
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2009 12:12 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Two Questions

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9351. Re: [DX-IS] Two Questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-25 11:46:33 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9348 Message: 9351

Most of the SSB I hear on 30 meters is illegal activity on the freq by fishing boats.

John K1ER/KH6

9352. Re: [DX-IS] Two Questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-25 12:22:44 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9348 Message: 9352

ITU designates 10.1 - 10.15 as FIXED Amateur world wide.

Each country then authorizes individually.

I've heard those HF/maritime also.

DD

----- Original Message -----
From: John Peters
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2009 7:46 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Two Questions

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John K1ER/KH6

9353. FR5MV - PSK-31 QSL received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-25 12:59:55 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9353 Message: 9353

Received a W9 Bureau shipment of cards last week with a QSL from FR5MV for a PSK-31 QSO last November.

Also in the batch, 4O/K1ZZ (40M CW) and VU4AN (20M SSB).

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

9354. vk9la online logs up

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 10:43:32 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9354 Message: 9354

The VK9LA team is pleased to announce their online logs are now uploaded to:

http://www.odxg.org/onlinelog/index.php

Last update: Last log update: 26.03.2009 ? 09:47 UTC

Don
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9355. 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 12:33:20 UTC
From: john.brewer@us.schneider-electric.com
Topic: 9355 Message: 9355

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the 250 country mark yesterday with a QSO with the G station in New Caledonia last night on 20.
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Thanks for the tips and enthusiasm on this list.

John k5mo

9356. Re: [DX-IS] 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 13:51:46 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9355 Message: 9356

Hi John,

Congrats on the milestone. You will be surprised how quickly they come at the next sunspot peak, especially with a big gun station like yours :)

73s John AA5JG
100 watts to a dipole

--- On Thu, 3/26/09, john.brewer@...-electric.com <john.brewer@...-electric.com> wrote:

From: john.brewer@...-electric.com <john.brewer@...neider-electric.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] 250 and counting
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, March 26, 2009, 7:33 AM

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9357. Re: [DX-IS] 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 14:05:35 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9355 Message: 9357

John;

I got my liscense in 1971, and only have ~220.......never had anything more than either a vertical or dipole. You have done great job......keep it up......HR could be in your radar.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "john brewer" <john.brewer@...-electric.com>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2009 8:33:20 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] 250 and counting

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9358. Re: [DX-IS] 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 14:33:19 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9355 Message: 9358

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9359. Re: [DX-IS] 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 15:24:52 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9355 Message: 9359

Thanks Dale, I did use a Cushcraft MA5B and a Mini Products MQ-1 Miniquad for awhile, and those accounted for 25 of the countries I worked. Hope to have a beam up again soon.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 3/26/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@comcast.net>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 250 and counting
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9360. Re: [DX-IS] 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 15:27:10 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9355 Message: 9360

Zack,

I can use YA as well. That has sure gotten more active that in used to be but it is also a kind of tough path from here. I can use a few that aren't that tough either like YK, XX9, and XU, but I do have KP1 confirmed on 2 bands!

73s John AA5JG

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9361. Re: [DX-IS] 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 15:50:04 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9355 Message: 9361

Yeah, for some reason the Middle East is a bit tough from here as well. I recall a few years ago there was an A9 in ARRL DX CW. He was calling CQ for a long time on 40. I was calling him but he didn't hear me. Apparently he wasn't hearing anyone from USA because in a half hour I never heard him work anyone - just call CQ contest. Must've been as frustrating for him as it was for me! I still haven't worked an A9.

I was lucky to get at least one QSO with YK (YK1AO on 40 CW) and one with XX9 and XU. I worked the NF6S-W5IJU/KP1 DXpedition on a bunch of bands. All CW though. Hopefully someone can reactivate KP1 soon. I understand the boat landing platform is gone now and they would have to fly in by helicopter as the KP5 DXpedition did.

73, Zack W9SZ

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9362. ARLD012 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 19:40:41 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 2583 Message: 9362

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TUNISIA, 3V. Ashraf, 3V4-002 plans to be QRV from club station 3V8SS in the CQ WPX SSB contest as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. QSL via IZ8CCW.

SENEGAL, 6W. Alessandro, IK4ALM will be QRV as 6W/homecall from Saly from March 29 to April 9. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

BARBADOS, 8P. Tom, W2SC will be QRV as 8P1A in the CQ WPX SSB contest as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

CROATIA, 9A. Members of the Radio Club Varazdin are QRV as 9A800VZ until the end of the year to celebrate the 800th anniversary of King Andrija II. This includes an entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest. QSL via 9A7A.

EAST MALAYSIA, 9M6. Steve, 9M6DXX is QRV as 9M8Z from Sarawak, IOTA OC-088, until March 29. This includes being a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest. Outside the contest he is active mostly on 40 meters. QSL via M0URX.

SINGAPORE, 9V. Bob, 9V1QQ will be QRV using the callsign S65Q in the CQ WPX SSB contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

TAIWAN, BV. Jimmy Lou, BX5AA will be QRV from Changhua City during the CQ WPX SSB contest. QSL via operator's instructions. In addition, a group of operators are QRV as BP0A from the P'enghu Islands, IOTA AS-103, until March 30. QSL via BV2KI.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Members of the Texas DX Society are QRV as C91TX from Bilene, Maputo Province until April 5. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes with three stations. This includes an entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest. QSL via W5PF.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Stations E51EME and E51SIX are QRV from Rarotonga, IOTA OC-013, until April 4. They are active using EME on 6 and 2 meters. QSL via ZL1RS and W7GJ, respectively.

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, E7. A group of operators will be QRV as E7DX in the CQ WPX SSB contest as a Multi/Single entry. QSL via E77E.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Valery, RD3AF will be QRV as EF8M in the CQ WPX SSB contest as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. QSL via UA3DX.

ISLE OF MAN, GD. Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society will be QRV as GT4BRS and GT6BRS from March 28 to April 4. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters with one station using CW and SSB, and the other using RTTY and PSK, respectively. They will be active as GD8K in the CQ WPX SSB contest. QSL all calls via GW0ANA.

HONDURAS, HR. Dan, HR2DMR will be QRV as HQ2W from Progreso as a Single Op/All Band/High Power/Assisted entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest. QSL to home call.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Toshiyuki, JP1PZE will be QRV as K7XF/KH0 from Saipan from April 3 to 7. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Lars, DF1LON will be QRV as LX7I in the CQ WPX SSB contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL via LX2A.

AUSTRIA, OE. In commemoration of the establishment of the Radio Club of America in 1909, members of the Amateur Radio Section of the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation will be QRV as OE100M from April 1 to 30. This is also the callsign of the official International Marconi Day station. QSL via OE1WHC.

DODECANESE, SV5. A group of operators will be QRV as SX5P in the CQ WPX SSB contest as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via operators' instructions.

TUVALU, T2. Joe, LA5UF is QRV as T2UF until April 1. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW and PSK. QSL to home call.

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC, TL. Christian, TL0A has been active on 80, 20 and 17 meters at various times. QSL direct.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R150A is QRV from the Central Museum of Communications in St. Petersburg until the end of April in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the birth of A.S. Popov. Activity is on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via RK1A.

VANUATU, YJ. Operators G3MXJ and G3TXF are QRV as YJ0MXJ and YJ0TXF, respectively, from the Aore Island Resort off Espiritu Santo Island, IOTA OC-035, until April 1. Activity is on 40 to 17 meters using only CW. They may try 80 meters if conditions permit. QSL YJ0MXJ via F5VHY and YJ0TXF via G3TXF.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide WPX SSB Contest and NCCC Sprint are scheduled for this weekend. Please see March QST, page 78 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9363. Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 20:05:51 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9355 Message: 9363

I was on the air for almost 20 years before I ever heard my first 3A station. They didn't exactly "rain down" once I heard one, but I do have several different bands in the bag now. I also only worked Clipperton for the first time in that most recent dxpedition there.

Art - N4PJ

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9364. Re: 250 and counting

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Date: 2009-03-26 20:03:48 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9355 Message: 9364

My wife Marsha (K4IRI) is romping through the numbers. We have a couple of good rigs a 4-el SteppIR at 70 feet, an amp and a G5RV for 80 meters. Okay, 3 out of 4 isn't bad!

One day, I tuned into something with the beam pointed at the target station. I turned down the volume quickly and then tuned in the same station with the G5RV. I let her listen to the difference. I tried to impress upon her that there are many hams out there with very modest setups and that she should never take for granted that she can sort of point and shoot. The first few years I was on the air, I had a vertical (with maybe six radials!) in the back yard. The accumulation of numbers was somewhat slower than hers!

Congrats on reaching that number. Yes, the hauling in of newer ones may seem slower, but, personally speaking, the thrill of the new one never stops!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> Hi John,
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> Congrats on the milestone. You will be surprised how quickly they come at the next sunspot peak, especially with a big gun station like yours :)
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> 73s John AA5JG
> 100 watts to a dipole
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> --- On Thu, 3/26/09, john.brewer@... <john.brewer@...> wrote:
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> Subject: [DX-IS] 250 and counting
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9365. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 20:33:24 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9355 Message: 9365

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Rene

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9366. Peter ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 20:47:30 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9366 Message: 9366

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rene getting cards together for field checking

9367. 20M woodpecker?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 20:36:30 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9367 Message: 9367

The last week or so I've heard what appears to be 3 separate, strong, digital stations each 3 KHz on 14013-17, 14019-22,14029-32.

They are loud and sound "pockety, pockety" with CW filters.

I seem to recall these same type of signals around 18080 to 18090.

Anybody know what they are?

73 de Brian/K3KO

9368. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 21:02:02 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9355 Message: 9368

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9369. Re: [DX-IS] Peter ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 21:04:46 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9366 Message: 9369

It is Peter the First. The Roman Numeral I is often used for the number in these cases, such as King George VI. But you could write it "1" or "6" too.
LXXIII, Zack W9SZ

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9370. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 22:17:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9355 Message: 9370

Zack,

Glad you brought up C3, you are right, I haven't heard them on too much recently. ZB2 doesn't seem that common any more either. Now if I could just get Mount Athos to close out Europe.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 3/26/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, March 26, 2009, 4:02 PM

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9371. Re: [DX-IS] Peter ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 22:18:52 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9366 Message: 9371

Or as Peter One!

73s John AA5JG

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-26 23:03:58 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9355 Message: 9372

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Oh for the days with sunspots.

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, March 26, 2009, 10:50 AM

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9373. Re: [DX-IS] Peter ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 00:54:27 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9366 Message: 9373

"Peter the FIRST" however you want to write it.

1 (arabic)
I (Roman)
The DXCC Card Checker goes by the callsign.

73 John K1ER
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9374. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 03:31:36 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9355 Message: 9374

I just worked ZB2FK two weeks ago on 40 CW. Also worked ZC4VB recently.

I got really lucky with Mount Athos. When the German guest op was operating Monk Apollo's station some years ago, I worked him on 30 CW fairly easily. Although the op was a guest, Monk Apollo did all the QSL'ing himself.

I didn't get to work VK9AA - didn't need it for a new one but it would've been nice to get a low band QSO. I'm not too hopeful about Mellish Reef but we'll see.

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9375. RE: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 05:37:51 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9355 Message: 9375

Hi Zack,

I am still chasing a C3 on CW. I did work C31PA recently but he turned out to be a pirate (with a big patch on one eye).

There are a couple quite active there, but condx have never been good enough to carry their signals to our shores L

I would have thought there would be regular EU teams going there with some decent antennae but alas....

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@...m] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 11:35:35 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9355 Message: 9376

For quite some time, I've had A9 in the bag, but needed them on SSB. Probably still need something like 80M as well.

Late one afternoon a couple of years ago, I was grumbling to my wife about when dinner was going to be ready. We were running out of time to have dinner and get to the club meeting. She stopped what she was doing and produced dinner. Following dinner, I went into the shack to shut things down and A92GR was on 20 SSB. Somehow, I knew if I stopped to work him (or try), I was gonna catch some flack about "...what a rush I was in...!"

So, I turned off the rig (noting the frequency) and headed for the club meeting. As luck would have it, the mobile installation had been completed only about a month earlier. The drive from home to the clubhouse was only about eight miles and about half way there, in an area usually harsh with intermods (out near our local general aviation airport) I got him while mobile.

Now that my wife is licensed (she wasn't then) and the DX bug hit her as well, she would more likely have understood (wouldn't she?) if I had stopped to work him on the way out the door!

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> Thanks for the tips and enthusiasm on this list.
>
> John k5mo
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9377. Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 11:39:21 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9355 Message: 9377

Don't give up hope. Yesterday morning the SFI was either 69 or 70 (can those Palos Verdes guys "unstick" the SFI meter?) when I returned from breakfast with my regular Thursday "crew."

Marsha was just signing with someone. I asked her who she had cornered. I glanced at the display as she pointed to a YB0 and YC she had just worked. She said they were "clear as a bell."

Granted, it's a pain to have to sit in front of the rig for hours on end, hoping there *might* be a brief breakthrough somewhere, but sometimes, even with the doldrums like we've been suffering, something happens.

Out of curiosity, who is the supposed patron saint of the airwaves?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> I just worked ZB2FK two weeks ago on 40 CW. Also worked ZC4VB recently.
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> I got really lucky with Mount Athos. When the German guest op was operating
> Monk Apollo's station some years ago, I worked him on 30 CW fairly easily.
> Although the op was a guest, Monk Apollo did all the QSL'ing himself.
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> I didn't get to work VK9AA - didn't need it for a new one but it would've
> been nice to get a low band QSO. I'm not too hopeful about Mellish Reef but
> we'll see.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On 3/26/09, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> > Zack,
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> > Glad you brought up C3, you are right, I haven't heard them on too much
> > recently. ZB2 doesn't seem that common any more either. Now if I could
> > just get Mount Athos to close out Europe.
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> > 73s John AA5JG
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> > --- On *Thu, 3/26/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>* wrote:
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> > From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>

> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Date: Thursday, March 26, 2009, 4:02 PM
> >
> > I had something funny happen regarding 3A. Back in the late 70's I was
> > fascinated by working DX but wasn't into DXCC so I wasn't chasing
> > countries. I worked a station signing portable 3A and I had no idea where
> > he was. About 15 years later, going through my old logs, I found the QSO. I
> > tracked the station down and sent for a card. And I got one back! Same thing
> > happened with a JX station I worked back then.
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> > C3 must be another one that isn't too common. Although I've worked a few
> > stations there, I don't hear them too often.
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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> > On Thu, Mar 26, 2009 at 3:33 PM, WB6PSY <tagteam@theunion.
net<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=tagteam@...>
> > > wrote:
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> >> Art,
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> >> such a tough country to work.
> >> Rene
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> >> ----- Original Message -----
> >> From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@comcast.
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9378. Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 11:43:19 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9355 Message: 9378

I agree with Zack. Looking at my own logs and collections of spots over the last three or four years, C3 is probably far more rare than 3A. HB0 seems to be on more often than C3.

Something I read recently (probably included with comments about pirates in C3) I think indicated that one can't go to Andorra and operation "/home call." Apparently that's done quite often with HB0 and, to some degree, with 3A. Dr. Laura and another guy (call escapes me at the moment) seem to be keeping the demand somewhat low for 3A. The mountains to the W and NW of Monaco, coupled with the 100W limit, make Monaco somewhat more challenging than it would be otherwise.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...> wrote:
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> Hi Zack,
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> I am still chasing a C3 on CW. I did work C31PA recently but he turned
> out to be a pirate (with a big patch on one eye).
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> There are a couple quite active there, but condx have never been good
> enough to carry their signals to our shores L
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> I would have thought there would be regular EU teams going there with
> some decent antennae but alas....
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> Zack Widup
> Sent: Friday, 27 March 2009 6:02 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

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9379. Re:20M woodpecker?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 13:47:48 UTC
From: john.brewer@us.schneider-electric.com
Topic: 9367 Message: 9379

I've heard the same thing, and it's impulse-type noise was a challenge to deal with in working
VK9 and the FK/G stations on the low end of 20m. As I recall, the beam heading was roughly north of my location in NC. Quite loud and quite disruptive.

John K5MO

9380. [425ENG] 425 DX News #934

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 15:21:28 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9380 Message: 9380

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28 March 2009 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 934
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3A - Gianni, I1UWF will be active as 3A/I1UWF from Monaco on 4 April, starting around 13 UTC. He plans to be QRV on 17 and 12 metres running 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via home call. [TNX I1UWF]
E5 - Walter, HB9XBG will be active as E51XBG from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands from 30 March to 16 April. Look for him on 20 metres SSB between 6 and 12 UTC. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
FJ - Oscar, EB1HF and Pablo, EC1DPM will be active as FJ/homecall from Saint Barthelemy (NA-146) on 7-12 April. They will operate digital modes only, with main activity on RTTY, on 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSLs via EC1AE (direct only). [TNX EC1AE]
FR - Cedric, F4EGZ is active as FR/F4EGZ from Reunion Island (AF-016) until 13 April. He plans to be QRV during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest on 10, 15 and 20 metres. Outside the contest he plans to operate on 17 and 6 metres. [TNX F4EGZ]
HH - 4V4JR is a special callsign obtained by Jean-Robert, HH2JR for the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. He will be joining Don/AF4Z and Jan/K4QD, who have been at the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission since 24 March [425DXN 931]. QSL via K4QD, direct or bureau or LoTW. [TNX K4QD]
OZ - Tor, DJ4MG (5P4MG) and Ela, DL1TM (OZ7TM) will be active from Vendsyssel-Thy/Nordjylland (EU-171) on 5-16 April. They will operate SSB on 160, 80, 40, 20, 17 and 15 meteres, and PSK31 on 20 and 40 metres. QSl via home calls. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
P2 - Derek, G3KHZ (P29NI) has announced a new IOTA DXpedition to Papua New Guinea. Between 22 October and 9 November he and other four operators (namely Luis/CT1AGF, Gordon/G3USR, Steve/G4EDG and Hans/SM6CVX) will be active from the Tanga Islands (OC-102), the Green Islands (OC-231) and the Woodlark Group (OC-205). They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-15 metres, using new single band vertical dipoles for 30-15m and a ground plane for 40m. Further information is expected in due course. The web pages for the

expedition are at http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009/index.html
[TNX I1-21171]
SV - Vassilis/SV8CYV, Alexandros/SV8CYR, Kostandinos/SV8IIR, Ilias/
SV8FMY and George/SV8IJZ will be active as SX8P from Samos Island
(EU-049) on 3-12 April. The special callsign's suffix stands
for Pythagoras, the great philosopher and mathematician who was
born on Samos. They plan to operate SSB, BPSK 31 and RTTY mainly
on 20, 17, 40 and 80 metres. QSL via the bureau, or direct to
SV8CYV. [TNX SV8CYV]
VE - Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the opening of the St.
Lawrence Seaway, Canadian amateurs are allowed to use the
following prefixes between 1 April and 31 May: XL (VA stations),
XN (VO stations), XM (VE stations), XO (VY stations). [TNX OPDX
Bulletin]
VK9M - Bad weather conditions prevented the VK9GMW team (AA7JV and HA7RY)
from leaving Marion Reef [425DXN 933] for several days. Eventually
they departed for Mellish on 25 March, and reached their
destination at 6 UTC on the 27th. They hope to be on the air by 8
UTC on 28 March. QSL via HA7RY. Please bookmark www.vk9gmw.com for
updates.
VK9X - Haru, JA1XGI will be active as JA1XGI/VK9 from Christmas Island
(OC-002) on 4-11 April. He plans to operate CW and digital modes
on all bands. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
VU - Frank/DL4KQ, Sarath/VU3RSB and Jose/VU2JOS expect to be active as
AT9RS from Grandi Island in the Goa State group (IOTA AS-177, new
one) between 5 and 7 April (indicatively from the local midday on
5 April until the local morning on the 8th). They plan to operate
CW, SSB and digital modes on various bands, with two stations,
verticals, dipoles and 500 watts. QSL via W3HNK (North and South
America) and DL4KQ (rest of the world). Further information to be
found at http://www.mdxc.org/at9rs/ [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]
W - Buzz, NI5DX and his brother Al, WD5IQR will be operating from
Galveston Island (NA-143) on 30 March and, if conditions permit,
on 1 April. Monday's operation is planned to be mainly SSB, with
the possibility of some CW and digital modes. [TNX K1XN]
W - The Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club will operate as K6PV from
Santa Catalina Island (NA-066) on 1-5 April. They will have two
stations active on 80, 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB and CW. QSL via
K6PV. [TNX The Daily DX]
YK - Saad, N5FF will be active again as YK1BA from Damascus, Syria from
30 March to 10 April. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY in his
spare time (between 20-23 UTC, 2-5 UTC and possibly some
occasional activities between 12-14 UTC). Saad thinks he will
spend most of his radio time on 30, 40 and 80 metres. QSL via
N5FF. [TNX K1XN]

CQ WW WPX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their
participation in this year's event (28-29 March):
Call Category DXCC QSL

3V8SS Tunisia IZ8CCW
4D1N Philippines DV1UBY
4M5DX M/S Venezuela IT9DAA
4M5IR M/? Venezuela YV5KG
4V4JR M/? Haiti K4QD
4Z4OQ SOSB 20m Israel 4Z4OQ
5B4AII SOAB 2R Cyprus RW3RN
8P1A SOAB HP Barbados NN1N
9A800VZ Croatia 9A7A
9M8Z SOAB HP East Malaysia M0URX
A61BK U.A.E. A61BK
AH0BT M/2 Mariana Isls 7L1FPU
AO1K M/? Spain EA1GVG
AY5F SOSB 15m Argentina LU5FC
BX5AA SOAB HP Taiwan BX5AA
C91TX Mozambique W5PF
CN2BC SOAB LP Morocco DL7BC
CN2R SOAB Morocco W7EJ
CN4P Morocco EA5XX
CQ3T M/S Madeira CT3KN
CQ7CQK Portugal CT1CQK
CS9L Madeira Isls DJ6QT
D4C M/S Cape Verde qrz.com
E7DX M/? Bosnia-Herzegovina E77E
EA8/OH6CS SOSB 15m Canary Isls OH6CS
EA9LZ or EG9Z SOSB Ceuta & Melilla EA9LZ
ED8R M/S Canary Isls EA4RCH
EE2W M/S Spain EB2BXL
EF8R M/? Canary Isls EA8CAC
EI/ON4EI SOAB LP Ireland ON4EI
FR/F4EGZ SO Reunion Island
G6PZ M/S England GM4FDM
GD8K Isle of Man GW0ANA
H22H SOSB 40m HP Cyprus 5B4MF
HI3C SOSB 20m Dominican Republic qrz.com
HQ2W SOAB HP Honduras HR2DMR
II5W Italy IZ5DKG
IR9P SOAB Italy (Sicily) IW9HMQ
IR9Y M/S Italy (Sicily) IT9ABY
J6/W5JON SO St. Lucia W5JON
J88DR SOAB St. Vincent G3TBK
LP1H M/S Argentina EA5KB
LR2F M/S Argentina LU2FA
LS1D M/? Argentina LW9EOC
LS2D M/2 Argentina EA5KB
LX7I SOAB Luxembourg LX2A
LY7A M/M Lithuania LY2ZO
MC0SHL Wales M0URX
MJ4K M/? Jersey G3NKC
MW9W Wales M0URX

NH7A SOAB Hawaii F5VHJ
NQ4I M/M USA K4PK
OL7T M/S Czech Republic OK2BXU
OM0A M/2 Slovak Republic OM0AAO
OP4K M/? Belgium ON4JZ
P40A SOAB Aruba WD9DZV
PR1T M/S Brazil PY1ZV
PW2D M/? Brazil PY2VM
PW7A M/? Brazil PY7RP
S65Q Singapore 9V1QQ
SX5P M/M Dodecanese SV5FRD
T48K M/S Cuba DK1WI
TA1KC M/? Turkey TA0U
TC3EC M/S Turkey TA3GO
TG0AA M/? Guatemala TG9ANF
TM0TAN France F8KHH
VC6T Canada VE6SV
VP59V SOAB Turks & Caicos W5CW
VP8KF Falkland Isls G3VPW
XR1A M/? Chile XQ1IDM
XR6T M/2 Chile CE3FED
XW1A SOAB Laos E21EIC
YE0X M/? Indonesia YB0ZZ
YE1ZAT M/S Indonesia qrz.com
YM2W SOSB 15m HP Turkey OK1TN
YM3D SOAB LP Turkey TA3D
YN2BQ Nicaragua EA4BQ
ZM4A M/S New Zealand ZL4AA
ZP0R SOAB Paraguay ZP5AZL
ZT2V M/2 South Africa NI5DX
ZX7U SOAB LP Brazil PT7ZT
ZZ6Z SOSB 20m Brazil PY6HD
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained
By Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2009.html - good contest to
you all!

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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IARU NEWS ---> The Union des Radioamateurs du Congo (URAC) has applied for
admission to the IARU. It represents the Republic of the Congo (capital
Brazzaville, ITU-allocated prefix TN), not to be confused with the
Democratic Republic of the Congo (capital Kinshasa), which is already
represented in the IARU by Association des Radio Amateurs du Congo (ARAC).
URAC was formed on 8 October 2008, and lists 15 members on its current
roster, including three licensed radio amateurs. The closing date for
receipt of votes by the International Secretariat is 11 August.

[http://www.iaru.org/cal188.html]

JAPAN (NEW PRIVILEGES) ---> Effective 29 March at 15 UTC Japanese amateur radio operators will gain new privileges, including the expansion of the 40m band (7000-7200 kHz) and the possibility of working RTTY and data on 10130-10150 kHz. [TNX JA1HGY]

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Sam, RN6BN is receiving many direct QSL cards confirming contacts made with V85SS. Sam is not the QSL manager for V85SS, who wants cards to be mailed to the address mentioned at www.qrz.com

PIRATE (EP2IA) ---> A station signing EP2IA has been QRV this week on 40 metres CW, asking for QSL via qrz.com. "This was my call in the 1970's", Roger (G3SXW) says, "but I know nothing about the current operation. If the call-sign had been re-issued I would expect him to give a valid QSL route. But qrz.com points at G3SXW so I must conclude that this is a pirate operation".

PIRATE (MU0X) ---> M0X is the contest callsign for Charles, M0OXO. Over the last few weeks is has been used several times along with the regional designator for Guernsey. If you have MU0X in your log, please refrain from requesting a QSL card, as Charles has never operated from Guernsey and you have worked a pirate. [TNX GU0SUP]

URE 60 ANNIVERSARY CONTEST ---> The IARU society for Spain (Union de Radioaficionados Espanoles) celebrates its 60th anniversary and sponsors the URE 60 Anniversary Contest. It will be held on from 00.00 UTC on 11 April until 23.59 UTC on the 12th, on 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 and 160 metres, Mixed mode. Detailed information can be found at http://www.ure.es/contest/1232-ure-60-anniversary-contest-.html

VK9LA ---> A logsearch for the current expedition to Lord Howe is now up and running at http://www.odxg.org/onlinelog/index.php (latest update at 1 UTC on 27 March). The first 400 QSOs on 20 metres were logged on paper logs, and will be added to the online log as soon as possibile.
VK9LA team members Stan, SQ8X and Peter, SQ9DIE maintain a blog (http://vk9la.info/) that is worth a visit and a bookmark.

+ SILENT KEYS + David Rankin, 9V1RH (VK3QV) passed away on 19 March. WIA Federal Vice President for a number of years, he moved to Singapore in 1972 and was a founding member of the Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (SARTS). Deeply involved with IARU, he was Region 3 Secretary (1973-82), Chairman (1982-94) and Director (1994-97).
Other recently reported Silent Keys include Rich Beebe (N0PV), Ivan I. Dzjuba (UT5UG), Catherine H. Hrischenko (VE3GJH) and Dave Hammond (WC4B).

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3V8SS IZ8CCW ER3R ER3KAZ RD3A UA3DX
3Z50KPN SP5ZRW ER4DX RA4LW RF3T RW3TJ
4F1VEM/9 VE7DP ES6Q ES5RY RG3K UA3QDX
4K0CW DL6KVA EV1R EU1PA RG9A UA9XC
4L8A K1BV FK/G3MXJ F5VHY RL3A W3HNK
4M5RY EA5KB FK/G3TXF G3TXF RM3M RK3MWD
4U1UN HB9BOU FM5CD F5VU RN9S RN9SXX
4Z5J W0MM GB1SPD GI7AXB RO9O RZ9OO
5B/US7IDX RN3QO GB2RAF G4PSH RT3T UA3TT
5B4AHS RA3AUU GB5CC G4BJM RT4D RZ4CWW
5B4AII RW3RN GB5SPD MN0AKU RT6A RZ6AZZ
5B8AD W3HNK HA130HALLO HA5KHC RT9W RZ9WWH
5N/LZ1QK LZ1CL HC2SL EA5KB RU1A RU1AE
5N0OCH DL3OCH HF80BEM SP9ZBC RW0A RA0ALM
5W1VE DL9HCU HG6N HA6KNB RW0CWA RW0CF
6V7E RW3TN HG7T HA7TM RW2F DK4VW
6W1RW F6BEE HH4/AF4Z AF4Z SK3W SM5DJZ
6W1SE JR2KDN HH4/K4QD K4QD SO8A SP8YB
6W1SJ E73Y HI3TEJ ON4IQ SO9Q SP9QMP
6W2SC HA3AUI HP3AK W4JS SX1L DL1JCZ
6Y1LZ K1LZ HP3DX W4WX SX5P RV3ACA [a]
6Y8XF G3TXF HV0A IK0FVC SZ6P SV1BJW
7Q7AH G0IAS HZ1EA DJ9ZB T2UF LA5UF
7X5ST 7X2LS HZ1FS/p EA7FTR T88CD JH2BNL
8P0P 8P9NX II0IDR IZ0FVD T88WW JA2NQG
8S0PSK SM0KCR II9ICF IT9MRM TC18M TA3FB
9A3B 9A1AA IQ4AX IZ4EFN TC1RLH TA1HZ
9A5D 9A1BHI IY1GM IK1UGX TK7P 9A8MM
9A5Y 9A7W J37T VE3EBN TM2HC F5IRC
9A7B 9A4W J38CW G3VCQ TM6M F4DXW
9A7T 9A2EU J79WR G3LZQ TN5SN IZ1BZV
9H3GA DL5GA J79XBI SM0XBI U4MIR RN3DK
9H3JT G3PJT J88DR G3TBK UA0SWA RU0SN
9K2/SP4R SP4GFG JD1BIE JE4RHL UA0YAY IK2QPR
9K2YM EA5KB JT1R RW4HB UA3R RN3RQ
9M2TO JA0DMV JT1T JT1KAA UN3M EA7FTR
9M8Z M0URX KH0/K2JA JL3SIK UN9L LZ1YE
A45WG NI5DX KH0/KI3DNN JI3DNN UU7J UU0JM
A60SAB IZ8CLM KH0/N3MU JA3CEK UZ2I UT2II
A62ER IZ8CLM KH6MB AI4U UZ2M US0LW
A71CV A71AN KH6ND K2PF V31WV EA7HEJ
A71EM EA7FTR KH6ZM I0MWI V47CD G4FAL
AH0F/KH2 JA2NQG LM9K75Y LA9K V47NT W2RQ
AL1G AC7DX LN3Z LA9VDA V63PR JJ8DEN
AN9CNP EA9CE LN8W LA9VDA VC3Y VE3CWO
AO5R EA5AID LT0H EA7FTR VK6AU N1DT
B4TB BA4TB LT9L EA5FL VK9AA DL8YR
BP0A BV2KI LU4DJB EA5KB VK9LA VK4FW
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C4I LZ2HM LU8XW WD9EWK VP2MKK KK1KW
C4W 5B4WN LX7I LX2A VQ5B K4IRI
C4Z G3SWH LY7A LY2ZO WH2DX KL7AF [b]
C91TX W5PF LZ7J LZ1JZ XE2/UX4UL UY5ZZ
CN2R W7EJ LZ9W LZ1ZD XE2HWB/XF1 N6AWD
CN8KD EA5XX NH0AA/NH2 JH2BNL XE3MAYA XE3D
CN8NK EA5XX NP4Z WC4E XU7ADJ JH1NBN
CN8VO EA7FTR OA4TT N6XQ XW1B E21EIC
CN8YE EA7FTR OG2U OH2IW YC9MDX EB7DX
CO8LY EA7ADH OH0R OH2PM YI9HU K3ASK
CP4BT EA5KB OH0Z W0MM YN2BQ EA4BQ
CS6A CT1GFK OL3Z OK1HMP YR1C YO4NA
CT8K CT1CJJ OL6X OK1DVM YR1Z YO9GZU
D44TXF DG3KAF OM60KAP OM3PA YW4D EA7JX
DD4B DL3PS P29VR W7LFA Z21BC NI5DX
DJ9A DJ9VA P33W RA3AUU Z30MCWG Z35M
DP1POL DL1ZBO P40YL AI6YL ZB2CN DJ9WH
DQ4W DK9TN PH60PH PA7HPH ZD8RH G4DBW
DR5N DK5TT PJ4/W9NJY WD9DZV ZF2ZL W8ERI
E51COF K8NA PP5EG K3IRV ZM1A ZL1AMO
E79D E77E PS2T K3IRV ZM2B ZL2BR
EA8EW OH1MA PT2ZXR DJ0XR ZP8VAO K2DER
EF8R EA8CAC PT7AG PT7WA ZS3Y SQ8X
EI0W EI2JD PY0FF W9VA ZS6CCY K3IRV
EI7DAR EI2JD R150ASP RF3C ZS9Z ZS1OIN
EK3SA DJ1CW R1AND RU1ZC ZW5B K3IRV
EK6TA DJ0MCZ RC3W RW3WWW ZX2B PY2MNL
EO0UD UR7UT RC9O UA9PC ZX5J AI4U

[a] 18-23 March 2009
[b] Russian DX Contest 2009

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9381. [425ENG] 425 DX News #934 [Calendar]

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9382. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 16:47:29 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9355 Message: 9382

----- Original Message -----
From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
>I agree with Zack. Looking at my own logs and collections of spots over the
>last three or four years, C3 is probably far more rare than 3A. HB0 seems
>to be on more often than C3.
>
Hmmmmm - I've worked 15 C3's (easy to find with DXK) starting in 1979 and
the last one in 2000. Rare is a FJ

Rene

9383. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 17:41:17 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9355 Message: 9383

Oh yeah ... Luc I1YRL frequently goes to 3A. He also operates 4U1ITU quite a bit.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Mar 27, 2009 at 6:43 AM, Art Burke <aburkefl@...> wrote:

> I agree with Zack. Looking at my own logs and collections of spots over
> the last three or four years, C3 is probably far more rare than 3A. HB0
> seems to be on more often than C3.
>
> Something I read recently (probably included with comments about pirates in
> C3) I think indicated that one can't go to Andorra and operation "/home
> call." Apparently that's done quite often with HB0 and, to some degree, with
> 3A. Dr. Laura and another guy (call escapes me at the moment) seem to be
> keeping the demand somewhat low for 3A. The mountains to the W and NW of
> Monaco, coupled with the 100W limit, make Monaco somewhat more challenging
> than it would be otherwise.
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, "Lance Martin"
> <lance.martin@...> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Zack,
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> > I am still chasing a C3 on CW. I did work C31PA recently but he turned
> > out to be a pirate (with a big patch on one eye).
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> > There are a couple quite active there, but condx have never been good
> > enough to carry their signals to our shores L
> >
> > I would have thought there would be regular EU teams going there with
> > some decent antennae but alas....
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> > 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> > From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> [mailto:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of
> > Zack Widup
> > Sent: Friday, 27 March 2009 6:02 AM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 250 and counting
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> >
> > I had something funny happen regarding 3A. Back in the late 70's I was
> > fascinated by working DX but wasn't into DXCC so I wasn't chasing
> > countries. I worked a station signing portable 3A and I had no idea
> > where he was. About 15 years later, going through my old logs, I found
> > the QSO. I tracked the station down and sent for a card. And I got one
> > back! Same thing happened with a JX station I worked back then.
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> > C3 must be another one that isn't too common. Although I've worked a few
> > stations there, I don't hear them too often.
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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> > On Thu, Mar 26, 2009 at 3:33 PM, WB6PSY <tagteam@...> wrote:
> >
> > Art,
> > Ya gotta understand the geography of 3A and then you'll know why that is
> >
> > such a tough country to work.
> > Rene
> >
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> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...
<mailto:aburkefl%40comcast.net<aburkefl%2540comcast.net>
> >
> > >
> >
> > >I was on the air for almost 20 years before I ever heard my first 3A
> > >station. They didn't exactly "rain down" once I heard one,
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9384. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #902

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 18:25:36 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9384 Message: 9384

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 20th-March, through Friday, 27th-March there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9L, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA0, SWAZILAND (Update). Operators David/GI4FUM (EI4DJ, 3DA0DJ), Tony/
G4LDL, Gerry/M0MVV, Michael/NC4MM and Yuri/UT5EL will be active from the
station at the Hawane Resort during the month of August. The object of
this activity is to provide a ham radio station at an international scout
camp near Manzini between July 31st and August 11th. David (the organizer
of the DXpedition) has operated from Hawane Resort (near Mbabane) as
3DA0DJ on two previous occasions (in March 2007 [CQWPX SSB] and in October
2008 [CQWW SSB]). The Hawane Resort is located in the mountains of Western
Swaziland at over 4,000ft ASL. It has been used for DXpeditions on quite
a few occasions and is serviced by Daniel Hubbard/ZS6JR of African DX
Safaris. There are permanent antennas on the site including a 60 ft.
lattice steel tower with HF beams for 20/15/10m and the WARC bands. There
is a "Four Square" array of 40m dipoles suspended from the tower. Daniel
usually erects a vertical for 80/160m in addition to these antennas.
David/GI4FUM states, "It would be our intention to stay at and operate
from Hawane Resort and in addition provide operators for the scout camp
on a daily basis. The camp site will use the callsign 3DA0SS but each
team member will have their own 3DA0 callsign. The camp site is about
an hour's drive away. Unfortunately the campsite is not as well situated
for takeoff to Europe and USA as Hawane Resort. The campsite is on a
southerly facing hillside. We would like to provide as many modes and
as many bands as possible on this DXpedition. The March 2007 operation
included an EME station which was very successful and made contacts in
100 different countries. During our stay at Hawane there is another
DXpedition to Lesotho also serviced by African DX Safaris and team
members from that DXpedition may join us during our time there. John,
9M6XRO, will be transferring to Hawane during the 2nd week of our stay."
David/GI4FUM provides the following reference Web sites that may be of
interest:
Hawane Web site: http://www.hawane.co.sz
African DX safaris: http://www.africandxsafari.com
Photographs of previous DXpeditions to Hawane:
http://good-times.webshots.com/album/568542228aUWwWP?vhost=good-times
http://travel.webshots.com/album/558408223diIYNe?vhost=travel

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf, 3V4-002, will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio
Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW WPX SSB
Contest, SSB (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry.
QSL via IZ8CCW. Also, read about Ashraf on the following Web pages at:
http://ashraf3v4002.wordpress.com
http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002/

5B, CYPRUS. Jack, RW3QC, will be active as 5B4AII during the CQWW WPX
SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/2R entry. QSL via
RW3RN.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS (Update). Operators Kuny/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Yoshiki/KH0UA
(who may be the youngest non-native FCC General license holder) and
Tomo/N2QP will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March
28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU. PLEASE NOTE: On 40 meters,
the team can only transmit between 7075-7100 kHz. Please listen for them.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). Members of the Texas DX Society are now active as C91TX from Bilene, Maputo Province, until April 5th. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters with 3 active stations, one station each for CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. Antennas being used are T-8 Log-Periodics by Tennedyne, and they will be up at about 50 feet plus. They will also use a 40 meter 4 square (and possible 80 meter 4 square) and a 72 foot vertical for 160/80/30 meters. The stations will be using a Tokyo Hy-Power amp, and two IC-2KL amps. The team will participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). Operators mentioned are: Cal/WF5W, Paul/W5PF, Madison/W5MJ, Bill/K5WAF, Dale/KG5U and Jim/N4AL. QSL Manager for C91TX is W5PF. Depending on internet access, they hope to have an online log search page once operations start, but don't expect daily updates. For updates, visit the Texas DX Society C91TX Web page at: http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html

CN, MOROCCO. M'hamed, CN8NK, in Rabat, will be active as CN4P during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via EA5XX.

E21, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. JA stations QSL via JR5XPG and all others via E21EIC. Visit Champ's Web page at: http://www.e21eic.net

E2, THAILAND (Early Announcements). Dej, E21YDP, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via E21YDP. Also, look for Chai, E20WXA, to be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/ Low-Power entry. QSL via E20WXA.

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. Members of the Radio Club Henares will be active as ED8R during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA4RCH. Operators mentioned are Jesus/EC1KR, Javier/EC4DX, David/EC4JD, Oscar/EA4TD, Miguel/EA4DEC, Jorge/EA8TL, Tomas/EA8TH, Domiciano/EA8UP and Edu/EA8AUW. Visit their Web page at: http://www.radioclubhenares.org

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Pekka/EA8AH, Manuel/EA8ZS, Juan/EA8CAC, Jaakko/OH1MA and Toivo/ES2RR will be active as EF8R during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via LoTW.

FR, REUNION ISLAND (Update). Cedric, F4EGZ, will be active as FR/F4EGZ from St.Leu (AF-016) between now and April 13th. His activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. Operations will only be on 20/15/10 meters. He informed OPDX a few weeks ago that he was on holiday and did not think he would be on the air after the contest. However, he is now planning to be active on 17m and 6m from the north-side of the island. For sked, send him an E-mail at: F4EGZ@...

H2, CYPRUS. Spyros, 5B4MF, will be using the special prefix callsign H22H during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/High-Power entry. Please note that H22 is a unique prefix for the contest as nobody else will be using the special prefix. QSL via 5B4MF,

direct (address on QRZ.com), by the Bureau or LoTW.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-177. NEW IOTA! Frank, DL4KQ, is planning to be active as AT9RS from a new IOTA, Grandi Island, off the coast of Vasco da Gama, Goa, India, between April 3-8th. No other details were provided, but watch the IOTA frequencies.

EU-017. (Update) Members of the Noantri DX & Contest Team will be active as ID9N from Vulcano Island (Eolian Group) (IIA ME-018, MIA MI-122, WLOTA 1001), April 25-30th. Look for activity on the HF bands, CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are: Andy/IZ0EHO, Vincenzo/IZ0FKE, GiorDano/IK0XFD and Alberto/IK0ZCW. QSL via IZ0GKN. Sked request at: id9n@...

EU-049. Members of the Aegean DX Group will be operate from Samos Island (GIOTA SAS006), as SX8P (Pythagoras) between April 3-12th. Activity is to celebrate the 2500th anniversary and honor the memory of Great Ancient Samian Philosopher and Mathematician "Pythagoras". For more information, see QRZ.com. Operations will mainly be on SSB and the Digital modes. On SSB, 14260, 18124, 7090, 3780 kHz (+/- 5 kHz), and if bands are open, check 21260, 24950, 28460, 50150 kHz (+/- 5 kHz). Look for them on BPSK31 and RTTY on 20/40/80 meters, and if the bands are open 15/10m. There will also be activity on the AO-51 Satellite. Operators mentioned are: Vassilis/SV8CYV, Alexandros/SV8CYR, Kostandinos/SV8IIR, Ilias/SV8FMY and George/SV8IJZ. QSL via SV8CYV, direct by the Bureau.

EU-094. French operators Alain/F1LLS, Thomas/F4BCG, Patrick/F4FCS, Antoine/F5RAB, Christian/F6AXN, Francis/F6DPD and Dominique/F6HEQ will be active as TM5EL from the Penfret Island (DIFM AT-059, WLOTA L-321, DPLF PB-038, Locator IN87AR), one of the Glenan Archipelago, between May 8-10th. Activity will be on the HF bands, as well as VHF, UHF and SHF, using CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. QSL via F6KHI.

NA-143. Operators Buzz/NI5DX and his brother Al/WD5IQR will be active from Galveston Island on Monday, March 30th. If conditions warrant, the pair will return to Galveston Island on Tuesday morning for another day of operation. As the Galveston Island State Park is still closed due to damage from Hurricane Ike this past September, the brothers will use generator power. They will run barefoot into a ZeroFive 43 foot vertical. Monday's operation is planned to be mainly SSB with the possibility of some CW and digital modes.

NA-223. (Update/Date Change) Members of the Russian Robinson Club will be active as KL7RRC from Ogliuga Island, Alaska, between July 23rd and August 5th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are: N3QQ, RA3NAN, RU4SU and UA9OBA. Watch for

updates on:
http://www.na-234.com/contact_chuginadak_expedition.html

IR9, ITALY. Members of the ARIPA DX Team will be active as IR9Y from Sicily during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via IT9ABY.

J8, ST. VINCENT. Dave, G3TBK, is once again active from here as J88DR and will be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands, especially 30/17/12 meters, but mostly on CW. QSL via G3TBK, direct or by the RSGB Bureau.

JT1, MONGOLIA. Operator Yohji/JH1AWN (JT1AWN) and three members of the Akita DX Association [Takao/JA7AGO (JT1AGO), Sei/JA7LU (JT1LU) and Akio/ JA7ZP (JT1ZP)] will be active between April 21-28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, possibly 160m (depending on their QTH), using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Look for the following callsigns on the following modes:
CW - JT1AWN, JT1AGO and JT1ZP
SSB - JT1AGO, JT1LU and JT1ZP
Digi - JT1LU and JT1ZP
Operations will be from two locations: JT1KAA's QTH and the other from Amure Hotel. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the JARL Bureau.

OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010. On Monday, March 2nd, the members of Northern Ohio DX Association (NODXA) re-elected the following to serve as officers between May 2009 and April 2010:
President: Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Vice President: Dwaine Modock, K8ME
Secretary: Al Moriarty, N8CX
Treasurer: Mary Michaelis, N8DMM
Newsletter Editor: David Autry, WD8IOU
For more information about NODXA, check out the club's Web site at:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

OH1, FINLAND. Members of the "Turun Radioamatoorit ry" (OH1AA) will activate the callsign OH1T during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-30th) using "beams, slopers, dipoles.. anything they can get on the air". Operators mentioned are Markus/OH1MN, Markus/OH1FKR, Janne/OH1SDR and maybe some other quest operators. QSL via OH1MN.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Update/IOTA Op). Last week we mentioned that once again the team of operators Luis/CT1AGF, Derek/G3KHZ, Steve/G4EDG and Hans/SM6CVX, plus Gordon/G3USR will activate three Papua New Guinea IOTA islands between October 22nd and November 9th. Since then Derek has informed OPDX that a friend Hans (name Stig) will also join the group. He also stated, "We anticipate using a separate call for each island but have yet to decide which call will be used for which island. P29NI will be used for one of the islands." Islands mentioned are Tanga Island (OC-102), Green Island (OC-231) and Woodlark Island (OC-205). Activity will be on 160-15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY modes. Gordon/G3USR will be exclusively on SSB. The team will be using new single band vertical

dipoles for 30-15 meters and a ground plane for 40 meters.

PY2, BRAZIL. Alex, PY2SEX, from Sao Paulo, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/ Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct (see QRZ.com) or LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
PIRATE ALERT. Roger,G3SXW, reports, "A station signing EP2IA has been QRV this week on 40 mtrs CW, asking for QSL via QRZ.com. This was my call in the 1970's, but I know nothing about the current operation. If the callsign had been re-issued, I would expect him to give a valid QSL route. But QRZ.com points at G3SXW, so I must conclude that this is a pirate operation. Please help me to spread the word: PIRATE! I will receive many QSLs that will be returned to sender (extra work for me) and very disappointing for many DXers who think that they have worked a new country. There are some very selfish people in this world."

PIRATE ALERT. Charles, M0OXO, reports, "Over the last few weeks, I have been made aware that my short contest callsign has been used several times by an unauthorized person and maybe during contests too. No-one has had permission to use this callsign and I have no knowledge who the offender may be. My short contest callsign is "M0X" and this has been used along with a regional designator of the Island of Guernsey. The callsign used (which I now assume is a Pirate) was "MU0X" and was certainly used on CW although I am not yet aware of any other modes. There are several 'spots' on the DX Cluster for the callsign, and there have also been several requests for QSL cards. If you have this callsign in your log then the contacts are obviously invalid as I have never operated from the Island of Guernsey. Please bear in mind the callsign of "MU0X", and if you hear it on air please report it to me on my E-mail address. There will be some Amateurs out there who think they have just worked Guernsey on a new band, mode or even an all time new one, but sadly, they will be very disappointed." Charlie's E-mail address is: charlie.debbie@...

VQ9HB LOGS. Hutch, NK0S, announced that he is currently converting the paper logs of Hugh, VQ9HB, to electronic format so they can be uploaded to LoTW. After the logs are uploaded to LoTW, Hutch will act as the QSL Manager for QSL card requests for Hugh's operation between 12/23/89 and 5/19/90.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 4W6R and V63MY

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5H3RK, 5N/LZ1QK, A43DLH, A71EM, C6APG, CE0Y/N6NO, CX9AU, CT9L, E27EK/P, ET3JA, FK8CP, FW5RE, HI3K, P40ZB, PJ4/K4BAI, T77NM, TO3R, TO4X, TT8JT, V51XG, V26G, VP8DLS, VP8YLH and XE1RCS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O/K1ZZ, FR5MV, VP8/LZ1UQ and VU4AN

ROSKILDE 1658 AWARD STATIONS ACTIVITIES. The weekend of April 4-5th, look for stations that are involved "Roskilde 1658 Award". Details about this

award was featured in the February 2009 issue of CQ Magazine. Stations expected to be active are SB1658OZ, SH1658DK, SH1658OZ, SK1658DK and the Danish wild card station OZ1658ROS. That is a total of five qualifying callsigns active, but you only need four callsigns for the award. It was also mentioned that due to a called district meeting arranged by SK7BQ during the past weekend, the callsigns operated by SK7BQ, SC1658OZ and SK1658OZ will not be active during the upcoming weekend. The five special callsigns will mainly be active on 80, 40 and 20 meters, depending on conditions, using CW and SSB. Stations SB1658OZ and SH1658OZ will also be active on PSK31. The press release states, "We have noted in our logs that many award hunters work only CW or RTTY/PSK31. You will be more successful if you work as many modes as possible. Not all of our operators are able to work digital modes or CW." For complete information on all callsigns, times in UTC and frequencies, please visit the "Roskilde 1658 Award" Web page at: http://www.sk7bq.com/roskilde (under "Activity calendar")

SX5, DODECANESE (EU-001). Operators Bill/SV5AZP, Panos/SV5AZK, Filolaos/SV5CJK, Vagelis/SV5CJQ, Efstathios/SV5DKL, Stelios/SV5DZR, Denis/SV5FRD, Periklis/SV5FRK, Takis/SV5FRP and Mike/SV5KJC will be active as SX5P during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via SV5FRD.

T2, TUVALU. Joe, LA5UF, is active as T2UF until April 1st. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW and PSK. QSNs show operations over the past week have been mainly on 30/20/17 meters. There has been some SSB activity on 17 meters. QSL to home call.

TA, TURKEY. Members of the AKUT Search and Rescue Association will be active as TA1KC during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Single-Band entry. QSL via TA0U. Operators mentioned are Urcun/TA0U, Ilke/TA1CU, Can/TA1CN, Tevfik/TA1HZ, Onder/TA2CL, Serkan/TA2JN and Anil/TB2ED.

TC2, TURKEY (Lighthouse Activity). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will activate the last lighthouse in a series of historical lighthouses around Istanbul next weekend. On April 4-5th, look for TC2FLH to be active from Fenerbahce Lighthouse (TUR 021). Remember, you only need four or more contacts with lighthouses to receive the "Istanbul Lighthouses On The Air Award" (ILOTA). Details and rules can be found at: http://www.ta0u.com/detay.asp?id=4296

TC57, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will be active as TC57A once again from the Canakkale Gelibolu battegrounds to remember the 57th Regiment Martyrs between April 22-27th. Activity will be on the HF bands. For more info, visit the following Web pages:
http://www.qrz.com/db/TC57A
http://www.tcswat.org
Info about the regiment and the war:
In Turkish - http://tr.wikipedia.org/wiki/57._Alay
In English - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gallipoli_Campaign

TG0, GUATEMALA. Operators Mario/TG9ADQ, Edgar/TG9AXF and Francisco/TG9ANF will be active as TG0AA during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via TG9ANF.

TK, CORSICA (EU-014). Brani, OM2FY, will be active as TK/OM2FY from the main island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/ DXpedition/CW/Low-Power/24H entry. QSL via OM2FY.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Update). The VK9LA operation is on the air with all stations active. Operations will last until April 3rd. The team has had some equipment problems: an ACOM Amp is dead, AL811H blew a tube and one IC7000 has failed after 2 days. It was mentioned that the stations on 160 and 80 meters are running amps, but they are having extremely high static levels from the same weather system that has delayed the Mellish Reef operation. The team plans to stay on the lower bands always. PLEASE NOTE: The online log search is also active now at:
http://www.odxg.org/onlinelog/index.php
QSLs are via VK4FW. An online QSL Requesting Service is now available at:
http://www.odxg.org/qsl.htm
Any QSL CARDS managed by ODXG inc., or Bill Horner, VK4FW, can be sent to you utilizing this system. This is a FREE service if you request your cards to be sent via the BUREAU. A minimum payment of 5 USDs via PAYPAL is required if you request your cards to be mailed DIRECT TO YOU. QSL cards will be printed by UX5UO. For more updates, details on the DXpedition and how to donate to this operation, please visit the ODXG and VK9LA Web pages at: http://www.odxg.org
http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm
ADDED NOTE: Lord Howe operators Stan/SQ8X and Pete/SQ9DIE have added a daily blog on Twitter.com. Look for regular updates on how the DXpedition is progressing at: http://twitter.com/vk9la

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Update). Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY, were stuck on Marion Reef most of the week but were able to reach Mellish Reef on March 27th and should be on the air as VK9GMW by 0800z, March 28th. Activity should last about April 10th (this can change). For updates, please visit the VK9GMW Web page at: http://www.vk9gmw.com

VY1, CANADA (Special Event/New CISA). Members of the North County DX Association (which includes the Alaska Chapter/KL7RST, Yukon Chapter/ KL7RST and Northwest Territories Chapter/VE8RST) that promotes Amateur Radio in the North, will activate the special event station VY1/K7Y from Kluane Lake in the Yukon between June 25th and July 4th. Emphasis will be for Field Day from Jacquot Island ("new one" for the CISA). Activity will be on 20, 40 and 80 meters. Primary 14260 and 7260 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL via KL7JR direct w/SASE for full-color QSL. [Kluane Lake area is a rugged and picturesque landscape steeped in Klondike Gold Rush history. KL7JR has spent a considerable amount of time on the lake over the past 20 years and is considered an expert on local history by the Burwash Landing Library and Yukon Archives for his book, "BROTHERS in the YUKON".]

YJ0, VANUATU (Pacific CW Tour Continues). By the time you read this, operators Dennis/F5VHY (G3MXJ) and Nigel/G3TXF will have left New Caledonia and should be active as YJ0MXJ and YJ0TXF, respectively, from the Aore Island Resort off Espiritu Santo (OC-035) in Vanuatu until Wednesday, April 1st. This will be a CW only operation. Their main activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters. They will try 80 meters, if local conditions permit. There will be no 160 meters. QSL YJ0MXJ via F5VHY, and YJ0TXF via G3TXF. Remember, their next stop will be Norfolk Island (VK9N) on their way back (G3MXJ/VK9N & G3TXF/VK9N between 1000z, Saturday, April 4th to 1900z, Saturday April 4th). PLEASE NOTE: All logs will be up-loaded to LoTW when they return home. There will not be online logs during these operations, nor are they expecting any Internet access.

YK, SYRIA. Saad, N5FF, informs OPDX that he will be arriving in Damascus on the evening of March 29th and should be active again as YK1BA from March 30th and April 10th. He will return home to Texas on April 11th. As usual, the purpose of the trip is not a DXpedition, so his operating will be spotty, but he states that he will try to put in as much radio time as possible. He suggests that his operating hours will be between 2000-2300z or between 0200-0500z and possibly some occasional activities between 1200-1400z. Saad says, "I suspect that 30, 40, and 80 meters will be the bands of choice, and I will be active on SSB, CW, and RTTY." QSL via N5FF (QRZ.com for details).

YM2, TURKEY. Pavel, OK1MU, will be active as YM2W during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. QSL via OK1TN, by the Bureau or direct.

ZM4, NEW ZEALAND. Operators Ken/ZL4NR, Mike/ZL4OL, Alan/ZL4FM, Kevin/ZL4QD and Chris/ZL1CT will be active as ZM4A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via ZL4AA.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th, 2009)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2009 CQWW WPX SSB Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2009.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxsd2009.html (By entity)

Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3D2A Fiji M/2 VK4AN; QSL via Buro or direct
3G1C Chile SOAB LP CE1KR
3V8SS Tunisia M/S IZ8CCW
4D1N Philippines DV1UBY
4M5DX Venezuela M/S IT9DAA
4M5IR Venezuela M/? YV5KG

4V4JR Haiti M/?
4Z4OQ Israel SOSB 20M 4Z4OQ
5B4AII Cyprus SOAB 2R RW3RN
8P1A Barbados SOAB HP NN1N
8S0C/5 Sweden M/S LoTW; QSL via SM Buro
9A800VZ Croatia M/? 9A7A
9M8Z East Malaysia SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via M0URX, Buro/direct
A61BK United Arab Emirates A61BK
AH0BT Mariana Islands M/2 7L1FPU
AM7M Spain SOSB 40M EC7ANC
AO1K Spain M/? EA1GVG
BV4VR Taiwan SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via BX4AN, Buro/direct
BX5AA Taiwan SOSB HP BX5AA
C91TX Mozambique W5PF
CN2BC Morocco SOAB LP DL7BC
CN2R Morocco SOAB W7EJ
CN4P Morocco EA5XX
CQ3T Madeira M/S LoTW
CS9L Madeira DJ6QT
CT/LZ3ND Portugal SOSB 20M LZ1NK
D4C Cape Verde Island M/S IZ4DPV
E20WXA Thailand SOSB 20M E20WXA
E21EIC Thailand SO E21EIC; JAs QSL to JR5XPG only
E21YDP Thailand SO E21YDP
E7DX Bosnia & Herzegovina M/2 E77E
EA9LZ Ceuta & Melilla SOSB EA9LZ
ED8R Canary Island M/S EA4RCH
EE2W Spain M/S EB2BXL
EF8M Canary Islands SOAB HP UA3DX
EF8R Canary Islands M/? LoTW
EI/ON4EI Ireland SOAB LP ON4EI
ES9C Estonia M/S ES5RY
FR/F4EGZ Reunion SOAB LP
G6PZ England M/S GM4FDM
GD8K Isle of Man M/? GW0ANA
EA8/OH6CS Canary Islands SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via OH6CS direct
HI3C Dominican Republic SOSB 20M
HQ2W Honduras SOAB HP HR2DMR
II5W Italy SO IZ5DKG
IR9P Sicily SOAB IW9HMQ
IR9Y Sicily M/S IT9ABY
J6/W5JON St Lucia W5JON
J88DR St Vincent SOAB G3TBK
L73DX Argentina LU7DUE
LN9Z Norway SOSB 160M LA5KO; QSL via Buro/direct
LP1H Argentina M/S EA5KB
LR2F Argentina M/S LU2FA
LS1D Argentina M/S LW9EOC
LS2D Argentina M/2 EA5KB
LT1F Argentina SOAB HP AC7DX

LT0D Argentina SOSB 10M LU6DU
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB LX2A
LY7A Lithuania M/M LoTW; QSL via LY2ZO
MJ4K Jersey M/? G3NKC
MW1LCR Wales SOAB HP MW1LCR
MW9W Wales
NH7A Hawaii SOAB F5VHJ
NQ4I United States M/M LoTW; QSL via K4PK
OH1T Finland OH1MN
OL7T Czech Republic M/S OK2BXU
OM0A Slovakia M/2 OM0AAO
OP4K Belgium M/? ON4JZ; QSL via Buro/direct
P40A Aruba SOAB WD9DZV
PR1T Brazil M/S PY1ZV
PW2D Brazil M/? PY2VM
PW7A Brazil M/S PY7RP Direct
RK3K Russia (Europe) M/S RX3OM
S65Q Singapore 9V1QQ
SX5P Dodecanese M/M
T48K Cuba M/S DK1WI
TA1KC Turkey M/S TA0U
TC3EC Turkey M/S TA3GO
TG0AA Guatemala M/? TG9ANF
TM4Q France SOAB F6FYA
VK9LA Lord Howe Island M/? VK4FW
VP59V Turks & Caicos SOAB W5CW Direct
VY2TT Canada M/M
XR1A Chile M/2 XQ1IDM
XR3A Chile SOSB
XR6T Chile M/2 CE3FED
XW1A Laos SOAB E21EIC
YE1ZAT Indonesia M/S
YE0X Indonesia M/? YE0X
YM2W Turkey SOSB 15M OK1TN
YM3D Turkey SOAB LP TA3D
Z35X Macedonia SOSB 20M DJ0LZ
ZF2AE/ZF8 Cayman Islands SO LP LoTW; QSL via Buro/eQSL/direct
ZM4A New Zealand M/S ZL4AA
ZP0R Paraguay SOAB ZP5AZL
ZT2V South Africa M/2 NI5DX; direct QSL preferred/Buro
ZX5J Brazil SOSB 15M AI4U

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9385. Mellish Reef (sp)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 19:37:25 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9385 Message: 9385

From their website:

March 27, 0800 UTC, Mellish Reef. At 0600 UTC we have dropped anchor in the lagoon at Mellish Reef (well, OK, we lowered it gently, given our make-shift gear). We have ferried some gear ashore this evening and will complete the station and camp set-up tomorrow. We hope to be on the air by 0800 UTC, Mar 28. Now we just need a three week break from cyclones and some good propagation.

http://vk9gmw.com/

Dale K8TS

9386. ARLP013 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-27 19:44:01 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 2905 Message: 9386

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP013
ARLP013 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP13
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 13 ARLP013
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 27, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP013
ARLP013 Propagation de K7RA

Every day I check the 45 day forecast of planetary A index and solar flux from NOAA and the U.S. Air Force. For quite some time now, the solar flux forecast has been the same. The projection shows 45 days of solar flux at 70, with no variation. I look at this because there is so little sunspot activity, and I hope that any increase in predicted solar flux values may coincide with renewed sunspot activity. But this method hasn't worked out very well in the past year or so.

When I looked at this on Wednesday night, March 25, the 10.7 cm flux forecast showed 70 for March 26-27, then bumping up to 72 for March 28-31, then back to 70 for all of April and beyond. This is not much increase in activity, but with such a quiet Sun for the past few years, we become sensitive to small changes, and even optimistic at times.

Last night, Thursday, March 26 the prediction was nearly the same, except with the solar flux of 72 lasting two more days, through April 2.

The forecasts are via http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/index.html, click on "Alerts, Forecasts and Summaries," then "USAF 45-day Ap and 10.7 cm Flux Forecasts." The new daily forecast is posted around 2100z, but often doesn't appear in the list at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html until later.

If you suspect this is the case, just click on the latest available date, then edit the URL at the top of your web browser to reflect the current date. So if it is Friday, March 27, and the latest listing you see is for March 26, just click on that link, and at the end of the URL change /032645DF.txt to /032745DF.txt and hit the Enter key. If that day's forecast has been uploaded, it should pop up when you hack the web address using these instructions.

Early on March 26 Spaceweather.com reported a new "proto-sunspot" seen "struggling to emerge" at high latitude, making it a Cycle 24 spot. The same site reported the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO) is monitoring "intense activity on the Sun's northeastern limb."

The following day Spaceweather.com repeated a common refrain heard lately after some activity begins to emerge: "Yesterday's proto-sunspot failed to emerge. The Sun is blank."

The NASA STEREO (Solar TErrestrial RElations Observatory) mission will eventually enable views of the entire Sun, so we will know in advance about emerging solar activity that is outside Earth's view.

The two spacecraft orbit the Sun similar to earth, but one leads the Earth and the other follows. The leading spacecraft A travels faster than the trailing spacecraft B, and because of this the angle of the two relative to each other gradually increases over time.

The craft were launched October 26, 2006 and they reached quadrature, or 90 degrees separation 62 days ago on January 24, 2009. Spacecraft A takes 347 days to complete an orbit of the Sun, and spacecraft B takes 387 days. They separate from each other at a rate of about 44 degrees per year.

View their current positions relative to Earth, the Sun, Venus and Mercury updated hourly at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/where.shtml. Click on the STEREO Orbit Tool link, and you can view a similar image for any date and time from the launch date through the end of 2015.

NASA has a dense, single page pdf document describing the mission at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/img/mpb.pdf, and while we can't recommend Wikipedia as an always-reliable resource (its immediately changeable nature drives teachers and reference librarians crazy), the Wikipedia community seems to have a good information page on STEREO at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/STEREO. Other NASA resources are at http://stp.gsfc.nasa.gov/missions/stereo/stereo.htm and http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/, and Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory has information at http://stereo.jhuapl.edu/.

Currently USAF and NOAA predict a planetary A index of 8 for today, March 27, then leveling off at 5 (a very quiet, stable level) until April 9-10, when it jumps to 15, then 10. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet to unsettled conditions March 27, quiet March 28-29, quiet to unsettled March 30-31, and back to quiet for April 1-2.

This weekend is the CQ World Wide WPX SSB Contest. Perhaps we'll get lucky with some worldwide propagation. The chance of disruption by any geomagnetic activity seems remote.

Finally, Kenneth Beck, WI7B of Kennewick, Washington responded to last week's musings about east and west on the Sun. Referencing an image at, http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/astronomy/sun/rotation.shtml, he wrote, "It always seemed to me to be clearer when I realize that the Sun rotates around its axis in the same direction as the earth. The is the 'right-hand rule,' with your thumb pointing towards the 'north.' With that perspective, look up at the sky (you can stand, sit, or crawl on your knees for this thought experiment), hold up your right hand with the thumb pointing up to the sky, and then rotate it. Sunspots will travel in the direction of your fingers, counter-clockwise around your thumb."

He continues, "Better yet, hold a full mug of beer in your right hand and turn it. The bubbles in the beer will turn just like sunspots. Now drink!"

Thanks, Kenneth. If you look up his call on qrz.com, on his page you'll see Kenneth in a kilt, hunched over and ready to launch a Scottish Hammer, a Stone Put, or perhaps doubled over in pain after a manly contest of Caber Toss.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for March 19 through 25 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 69.1, 68.7, 70.1, 68.7, 68, 69.1, and 68.5 with a mean of 68.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 4, 8, 4, 3, 8 and 10 with a mean of 5.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 2, 5, 4, 2, 6 and 7 with a mean of 4.1.
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9387. Vk9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-28 09:51:10 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9387 Message: 9387

Anybody know when next online log update is due?

TIA

Dale K8TS

9388. VP2VA e-Mail Address ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-29 15:56:26 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9388 Message: 9388

Anyone have the e-mail address for VP2VA ? The qrz.com one bounced.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9389. KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-29 21:11:31 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9389 Message: 9389

Hi guys,
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TIA - Rene

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If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhea...
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9390. RE: [DX-IS] KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-29 21:53:27 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9389 Message: 9390

Roger, Rene. He was on Pago Pago. Can't vouch for the information that he is now AH8LG, though.

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2009 6:12 PM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] KS6DV

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9391. Re: [DX-IS] KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-29 22:04:06 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9389 Message: 9391

Hi Rene,

From 1981 I have 2 QSO's with KS6DV that are American Samoa. So I guess yours were most likely too. Also KS6DH in 1970.

73,
Bob
K2TK

WB6PSY wrote:

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9392. Re: [DX-IS] KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-29 23:07:20 UTC
From: Raúl Marcelo Díaz
Topic: 9389 Message: 9392

Hi Rene !
Yes, is the same person, KS6DV is the former call of AH8LG.
If You do a Google search of KS6DV, You will find a bunch of data on Larry.
And, You are correct, KS6 is the "pre" KH8 prefix slot.

73 and best regards

Raúl, LU6EF
http://gacw.no-ip.org

--- El dom 29-mar-09, WB6PSY <tagteam@...> escribió:

De: WB6PSY <tagteam@...>
Asunto: [DX-IS] KS6DV
Para: "DX" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Fecha: domingo, 29 de marzo de 2009, 6:11 pm

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9393. RE: [DX-IS] KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-29 23:11:28 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9389 Message: 9393

I ran across KG6DX during the WPX contest and thought, just another

Left-Coaster. Not until I looked at the call did I realize it was Guam.

Our calls are getting as screwy as the TO calls !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: lu6ef@...
Date: Sun, 29 Mar 2009 16:07:20 -0700
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] KS6DV

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9394. Re: KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-29 23:29:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9389 Message: 9394

Thanks to all that responded. Larry, KS6DV was indeed on American Samoa. He later changed his call to AH8LG.

Dick - yur right, Joel, KG6DX is indeed on Guam - hafa dai!

73 de Rene

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9395. Re: [DX-IS] KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 00:25:27 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 9389 Message: 9395

AH8LG, Larry is on Pago Pago and very active.
I will be glad to ask him about the KS6DV if you wish.
John K1XN

John K1XN
GOLIST,Qsl Manager Database
Serving DXers since 1980
Updated Weekly for Users
http://golist.net/

West Tennessee DX Association
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WTDXA/

Alan Leith wrote:

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2009 6:12 PM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] KS6DV

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9396. DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 04:36:55 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9396 Message: 9396

Does anyone know if Amateur radio is still banned in
Turkmenistan? I seem to recall a few years ago they got a new
leader, and he put the brakes on Ham radio in EZ. Haven't heard if
this has changed or not.

73, Paul VE1DX

9397. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 04:44:38 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9396 Message: 9397

Hi Paul,

Funny you should bring this up as I was thinking of this very topic myself tonight-the number of countries in which ham radio is banned. So far, the only ones I can think of are:

EZ
P5
XZ-I am not sure on this one but I think it is.

Any other countries on the list?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 3/29/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sunday, March 29, 2009, 11:36 PM

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9398. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 04:53:44 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9396 Message: 9398

At 01:44 AM 3/30/2009, you wrote:
>Hi Paul,
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Yemen ever came out and said the words "Amateur Radio is banned in
this country", but they might as well have. As far as I know, they
won't let nationals operate and they sure as heck don't seem to be
letting any visitors in. So I don't know . . . the three above for
sure and likely 7O.

73, Paul VE1DX

9399. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 05:12:01 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9396 Message: 9399

I had forgotten about 7O. I am not sure where Somalia fits into this mix as there might not be any central government to authorize amateur operation but then there isn't one to ban it either.

I was thinking about the banned list as part of a thought about how much easier it is to get DXCC today than when I was first licensed in 1980. It should be easier because:

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From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, March 29, 2009, 11:53 PM

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9400. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 11:38:58 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(k5MWH)
Topic: 9396 Message: 9400

John Geiger wrote:
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> mix as there might not be any central government to authorize amateur
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> stations can work them on several bands (except for BS7 and T5-I never
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> 73s John AA5JG
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Good morning Gents:

For all practical purposes it is banned in E3 & ZL9. The tree huggers
will not allow it on ZL9, and anyone attempting to operate from E3 runs
the risk of waking up dead. I also wonder if there is a government in
E3 to grant permission or issue licenses.

73,
Mike, W5UC
"American by birth. Texan by the grace of God*
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

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9401. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 16:32:47 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9396 Message: 9401

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger

1. The DX cluster spots all the DX on the bands. You don't need to listen and tune near as much.
>342 countries confirmed without any spotting aids (but someone has to tune and listen).
2. There are more DXCC entities today. There was 318 when I was first licensed. Now we have 20 more, including a few new ones in our backyard like P4 and FJ.
>Made Honor Roll in 1991 with 318 countries & still NO FJ in my backyard.
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>BY: 1984, ZA: 1991, XV: 1989, XU: 1988, 5A: 1980, C9: 1987, TZ: 1980, YA: 1992
4. The DXpeditions are much better equiped today, so even average stations can work them on several bands (except for BS7 and T5-I never have any luck with those).
>True.
Rene

9402. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 16:57:08 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9396 Message: 9402

At 01:32 PM 3/30/2009, WB6PSY wrote:
>----- Original Message -----
>From: <mailto:aa5jg@...>John Geiger
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That's admirable, Gary, but it doesn't mean that it is easy without a DX Cluster. Many have done it without any spotting assistance, or on-ringers, or 2-meter alerting repeaters, etc. In fact, some have done it without an amp or with just a tribander at 25 feet. The degree to which you use technology, amplifiers, monobanders and tall towers is a never ending discussion. That's why you can't really compare one person's totals to another.

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73, Paul VE1DX

9403. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 19:53:37 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9396 Message: 9403

My point, Paul, is a lot of the newcomers don't know how the spots get put on clusters - they think it's an automatic thing. As far as comparing totals, you forgot to mention 'location' which can make all the difference. Example - we have Seymour here in CA who has his antenna on a cliff overlooking the Pacific Ocean. For a long time I thought he was ghost talking. N6DX's Rainbow Ridge is another example. 100' utility poles with monobanders per band plus overlooking the ocean. Have I had a 'one' ringer? Yup! & an ocassional 2m spot? Yup.

BTW, a few years ago I found Pee Five on 10m and I was around the third or fourth person to work him and right after alarms musta gone off as the noise level went from Ø to +30 over S9 and I couldn't hear him anymore.

tnx for the comments
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2009 9:57 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

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9404. RE: [DX-IS] KS6DV

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 21:50:14 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 9389 Message: 9404

No, they're not.

KG6 was the pre-March 1978 prefix for Guam. KG6DX predates the current sequential call sign system.

Same thing with KS6DV -- KS6 was the American Samoa prefix before our current sequential call sign system.

73

-----Original Message-----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON" w1ksz@... w1ksz
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2009 4:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] KS6DV

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9405. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 22:22:03 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9396 Message: 9405

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I simply typed in the prefixes and set the alert... audio (at home), email and pager at work.... "Hey Boss, I'm not feeling well" or "I've got a personal emergency at home." and 10 minutes later I'm at home in the shack. http://www.csm-gh.com/AB9M-Shack.htm

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9406. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 22:59:15 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9396 Message: 9406

I believe much of the value of the DXCluster system is in its spot history. A "sh/dx 20m P5" or "sh/dx 20 40m P5" or any other valid search combination may give you valuable information regarding when and where the DX was first spotted. Please see <http://www.csm-gh.com/N9PE%20DXSpider.htm> for additional search strings.

If you find that a needed DX station is spotted at 02:30 UTC, assume that he is not spotted until the spotting station has worked him. Be waiting on his previous QRG at 02:00 and you may get lucky.....

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From: WB6PSY
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2009 2:53 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

My point, Paul, is a lot of the newcomers don't know how the spots get put on clusters - they think it's an automatic thing. As far as comparing totals, you forgot to mention 'location' which can make all the difference. Example - we have Seymour here in CA who has his antenna on a cliff overlooking the Pacific Ocean. For a long time I thought he was ghost talking. N6DX's Rainbow Ridge is another example. 100' utility poles with monobanders per band plus overlooking the ocean. Have I had a 'one' ringer? Yup! & an ocassional 2m spot? Yup.

BTW, a few years ago I found Pee Five on 10m and I was around the third or fourth person to work him and right after alarms musta gone off as the noise level went from Ø to +30 over S9 and I couldn't hear him anymore.

tnx for the comments
Rene
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9407. VK9LA update from the Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-30 23:02:51 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9407 Message: 9407

I just received this from VK4FW, Bill Horner:

>Well we finally have the internet back on.
>The whole island lost it as well as its telephone to the outside world.
>The wind is a bugger, antennae and rotators are coping a pounding .
>On the low bands we have been really struggling to hear stations with the extreme storm noise.
>We have the remains of the cyclone here so wind is up at sometimes 65knots.
>Logs as at 06.utc yesterday are now online including the paper ones from the first day.
>
>In 24hrs time we will begin to dissassemble the big yagis and just have low bands for our evening.
>The next morning we will dissassemble all the rest except 2 remaining stations then finalise the rest before catching the plane.
>
>We are assuming at this stage that the plane will even come as it has been cancelled for today because of the WX.
>
>cheers
>
>Bill Horner VK4FW

Don
N1DG and VK9LA pilot

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9408. Re: [DX-IS] DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-31 03:59:19 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9396 Message: 9408

I have made only one QSO with an EZ. It was per a sked set up with e-mail on internet. I did not, however, have an internet connection at the time of the QSO.

I've used printed DX bulletins, the W6TI Sunday night CW bulletins (thanks again Bob!), phone calls, 2 meter FM DX nets, packetcluster and internet as assistance. I don't see anything wrong with that.

I studied the packet spots of YK1AO on 40 CW for some time once to establish his pattern in order to try to beat the hordes and make a QSO before everyone else got to him. It took a while but it eventually worked. Seemed a lot of others did the same thing.

I do a LOT of listening too, though. I probably spend a lot more time tuning and listening than I do using any of the above aids. I remember one night TL8NG was calling CQ on 40 CW. I called and he came back to me. We ragchewed for a while. There was no pileup or packet spot. After we were done, he called CQ for about 10 minutes with no other takers and went QRT for that night. I guess I got lucky.

I never did take time off from work to try for DX contacts. The ones I needed to try for during the day usually worked out OK on the weekend.

73, Zack W9SZ

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9409. H72W?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-31 05:03:54 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9409 Message: 9409

Hi Guys,

Funny thing. I worked H72W in the CQ WPX contest on 20m. He was coming in loud to VK6 Short path.

When I worked him, intently listened to the call and though maybe it's HQ2W but every time, over and over I heard him say H72W, H72W...

Today, I see it was HQ2W!

Must be an accent thing....did anyone else have this problem, maybe it was my ears?

73, Lance - VK6DU

9410. Re: DXing in EZ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-31 21:18:13 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9396 Message: 9410

Paul you are right on.

Been licensed for 6 years in May and been on HF for 5 years from a 50x150 foot lot. Didn't and still don't think of DXing as a contest. Even though I consider the pileup as a challenge to succeed... I hope everyone else makes it too.

I have known nothing but packets, computers, and powerful tools like DXlabs. When I am active, all WW spots are presented. Propogation experience and forecast tools give me a hint as to where and when to try.

I play the ARRL DXCC game but follow their rules plus some of my own. For example, I am lousy at CW so I NEVER log a new country or band on CW. I absolutely can do it but in my mind if I am relying on a computer then it is more of a digital mode not CW! Can you guess how may small DXpeditions I let go with that one!

My goal is to work every DX on every band..Hi And honestly I hope everyone else does to. At 64, however, I am not going to follow a process that take 40 years....just wouldn't make it!

By the way, in those 5 years I have 288 to date. At this point my need list looks like most other people's top 50 except I did snag BS7H. The point being it comes to where most folks have to work through the hard ones why delay getting to that point.

No where near done and loving it....

Bob KB1JZU

9411. VK9s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-31 22:52:12 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9411 Message: 9411

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73

Al, VE1AL

9412. Re: [DX-IS] VK9s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-31 23:14:05 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9411 Message: 9412

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9413. RE: [DX-IS] VK9s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-03-31 23:50:42 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9411 Message: 9413

Yes, I saw YJ0MXJ spotted as well and could hear the pile-up -- as I could for the VK9s -- but nary a peep here either. OK -- there's nothing wrong with my antenna and receiver. I'm just in the wrong place :-(.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 8:14 PM
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9414. Re: [DX-IS] VK9s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 00:04:30 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9411 Message: 9414

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Hi Al,
I know North Carolina isn't Maine or the Atlantic provinces....

They have been hard to get. 160M at 10AM local. 80M too late.
Did manage to work them on 30M yesterday. However I'm logged as VK3KO.
They were on 20M at 2240Z LP, managed to work them there.
Not needed here, but it adds a click to the CQ Marathon totals for '09.

73 de Brian/K3KO

9415. Re: [DX-IS] VK9s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 00:29:21 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9411 Message: 9415

Be patiant (sp) AL.....VP9L is getting much easier to work, especially on 30. I only have him on 40 and I think that was pure luck. As to VP9M, good luck. He was s-9 + here about 0900z here. EU's were showing their true colors, JA's were quietly pursuesing and working them, NA was working in between the bedlam. Really ugly. They seem to be concentrating on 160 during the gray line for them and that is posted on their web site.

Dale K8TS

Jackson, Mi

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9416. [425ENG] The toplist of April

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 05:00:49 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 3303 Message: 9416

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Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
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9417. Re: VK9s

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 10:09:40 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9411 Message: 9417

Been tracking VK9L every day for the last week.

From MA I have had no problem working VK9LA on 40ssb, 30rtty, & 80ssb (greyline). Got them on 20rtty long path but it was really hard. Friends in both ME & MA have had a very hard time catching them. 17 is really strange. Prop says I should have a good opening every day. Western states are hearing them really strong and I have heard folks in NY, WMA, & NH work them on ssb. At this QTH absoulutely nothing on 17ssb. It is like I have a 17 meter firewall around the town.

Heard VP9M on 30cw but hoping they will try ssb or rtty at some point.

Log periodic on house attached tower about 35ft over house & 80 dipole so nothing elaborate here.

Good luck

Bob KB1JZU

9418. Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 20:13:38 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9418 Message: 9418

In the recent (April 1) DXNL, it has been annouced that a rule change regarding qsl cards has gone into effect.

This was brought to my attention by a fellow amateur, and I followed it up on the DXNL site. Does not appear to be an April Fools thing.

Any body have any insite, or what it means? I'm mystified.

Dale K8TS

9419. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 20:25:08 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9418 Message: 9419

What change are you referring to??

Derek
aa5bt

9420. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 20:51:05 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9418 Message: 9420

"DXCC Rule Change: At the request of the Program and Services Committee (PSC)
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From: April 1, DXNL

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Derek Wills" <oo7@...>
To: DX-IS@...m
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2009 4:25:08 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

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9421. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 20:55:35 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9418 Message: 9421

bring into force the following rule from April 1, 2009,=

What was that date again ???

Check out the first item at arrl.org as well -

Derek
aa5bt

9422. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 20:56:46 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9418 Message: 9422

At 05:51 PM 4/1/2009, you wrote:

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Nonsense.

72m Oayk VE1DX

9423. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 21:08:39 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9418 Message: 9423

O--   Tootie Roll kind I guess :(

dale
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> bring into force the following rule from April 1, 2009, 0000Z:
> To meet the growing outrages of direct-QSLs to put to an end only
> bureau mediated QSL-cards will be credited for DXCC. Intended side
> effect is a higher degree of organization of radio amateurs in the
> respective national associations combined with a strengthening of the
> IARU and the total of Amateur Radio."
>
>From: April 1, DXNL

Nonsense.

72m Oayk VE1DX

9424. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-01 21:51:31 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9418 Message: 9424

I'm gonna build me a big 10 meter amp! Anyone got about 100 807's?

LXXIII, Zack, P5/W9SZ
Look for me on a band near you today

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9425. IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 01:51:00 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9425 Message: 9425

I worked a chap on 80 CW that deals only in IRC's, so I need some.

Anyone got 10 or 20 for sale ?

Interesting, he wants 2 IRC's, I thought only one was required, hmmm ...

That Buro Card only blurb today looks more & more promising !!!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9426. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 02:32:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9425 Message: 9426

At 10:51 PM 4/1/2009, you wrote:
>I worked a chap on 80 CW that deals only in IRC's, so I need some.
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I will say, however, that if the DX wants 2 or 3 IRCs or 2 or 3 GSs, I send it because I WANT the card! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9427. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 03:15:25 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9425 Message: 9427

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sending for direct QSLs, why one (1) IRC is not enough to get a QSL
card returned.

Read what's printed on 'em - see that word "minimum"!

Derek
aa5bt

9428. RE: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 03:21:44 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9425 Message: 9428

I think the answer is simple: the same reason why our financial

markets are in the toilet(s):

GREED

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: list_dx@...
> Date: Wed, 1 Apr 2009 23:32:54 -0300
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??
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> At 10:51 PM 4/1/2009, you wrote:
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9429. RE: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 03:24:23 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9425 Message: 9429

Does anyone remember the QSL Manager (stateside guy) in the late 70's

we called ..."Dollar Bill"... . Had to include a GS with your SASE or you got

zilch.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: oo7@pan.as.utexas.edu
> Date: Wed, 1 Apr 2009 22:15:25 -0500
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??
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> Only one is required. I've never understood, in 23 years of
> sending for direct QSLs, why one (1) IRC is not enough to get a QSL
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9430. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 03:28:04 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9425 Message: 9430

This is just a personal opinion.....not to tell someone how to do something. That established.....I just refuse to use IRCs.....and green stamps for that matter. (I do throw in extra green stamps for rare ones or dx-expetions). The IRC route is just a PITA to me, and not sure it really helps in some ot the areas where the postal system doesn't know how to use it, much less what it is. Add to the fact that the guy on the other end still has to make the trip to the PO just to mail ur card back. Some cases, green stamps are illigal, and he can't qsl from a jail cell :) I think the paypal thing is pretty nifty.

I do buy the return stamps and stick'm on the return envelope.....so all he has to do is verify you in the log, drop the card in the mail, and you hang it up on the wall. If you want, cut a corner off the envelope so they can see there is no money in the envelope, and hopefully it passes throught the PO. I get about a 95% return and figure the other 5% are NIL's, or I just would not get them anyway, regardless of the green stamps. Granted it's more expensive.

I do have to admitt that I did want one so bad that I sent it regersitered! Damn...my card, sase, postage, etc. == almost 15.00! But I got my only A9 I have ever heard in 38 years!

Dale K8TS

BTW: I have to admit, I got suckerd pretty good on that DXCC thing :)
----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2009 10:32:54 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

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73, Paul VE1DX

9431. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 03:36:12 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9425 Message: 9431

What ever happened to the old days where you just sent the card......Some of you might remember.......before qrz.com? whoose the guy who started this insanity....

Dale K8TS
----- Original Message -----
From: "RICHARD SOLOMON" <w1ksz@...>
To: "DX List - New" <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2009 11:24:23 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

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9432. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 03:47:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9425 Message: 9432

At 12:15 AM 4/2/2009, Derek Wills wrote:
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> sending for direct QSLs, why one (1) IRC is not enough to get a QSL
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Indeed, Derek, and the Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines minimum as "the least quantity assignable, admissible, or possible." So . . . were you still managing HC8N, and I sent you a SAE with a US 75-cent stamp on it, that would be the minimum you would need to return a card to Canada. It wouldn't do you any good if I put two 75-cent stamps on it (unless you soaked one off and used it for something else.)

I could also put $10 in, and if you demanded I did, and it was the only HC8 I *ever* worked, and there was no likelihood of ever working another one in the foreseeable future, I probably would put in $10. I would say a bad word about you when I sealed the envelope, but I'd do it! :-)

This doesn't mean that one IRC is not enough. It means the DX or the manager is not satisfied with breaking even. They want something for their trouble. That's why I usually send US managers a GS. 75-cents for the postage and 25 cents for the effort to put the card in the envelope. However, if I have US stamps, I sometimes just send the SASE.

I think this topic has been pounded to death, but my 2nd** most aggravating pet peeve remains the QRZ.COM entries that say "2 IRCs minimum or it goes back by the bureau." One IRC covers the postage. That's what IRCs are. The equivalent of the required return postage to send a letter by air mail to anywhere in the world. You don't need two.

** Number 1 pet peeve are brag DX spots. Today I finally figured out WK9GMW's pattern on 30M and found a W3 sending a 5NN. Whooppie! Got'em, I thought. Before the second N of the 5NN was sent, that same W3 spotted it with "EASY! QSX 10.1" Instantly the entire pileup moved from 10.107-109 to 10.110.1, 27 layers deep. It took me a few minutes to find him again down on 108.2 and darned if another W didn't spot that. After 1 spot we all knew he was on 10.104 QSX up, and we didn't need 15-20 subsequent spots

telling us where the lucky button pushers worked them. Sigh.

20 minutes later I did work them, but it wasn't made easier by all the "helpers" and their "look at me!" spots.

73, Paul VE1DX

9433. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 06:01:38 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9425 Message: 9433

I'm going back in time some but the word "minimum" is key. It was explained to me that that minimum is the smallest weight unit for an an airmail letter. In some places this was, and may
still be the old style "onion skin" envelope. Those envelopes were furnished open and flat and
you wrote on it , folded it up, sealed and mail it. You could not put anything in the envelope and
be in the lowest weight class. Even a single post card was heavier than those envelopes.

Also known as Aerogrammes. Here:

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That was the claim to legitimize the request for 2 IRC's years ago and may still be the case today
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rate in the US was increased from 1/2 to a full ounce. The combination of envelopes and QSL I
was using was such that I was right on the edge with 2 "Green Stamps" and when I wanted to send $2 I would send a $2 bill.

73,
Bob
K2TK

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world. You don't need two.

73, Paul VE1DX

9434. RE: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 08:49:32 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9425 Message: 9434

I agree only 1 is required.

Interestingly, I have just started to look into minimum postage costs and it just takes one to check when one receives a card direct.

So far the minimum I have seen for cost for postage from EU to VK is 0.41 Euro.

So I reckon $1USD would suffice too.

I am guessing that was surface mail, it still got here though.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Thursday, 2 April 2009 11:15 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

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Derek
aa5bt

9435. Re: IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 11:10:35 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9425 Message: 9435

The insanity started prior to me and thee!

Back in the 60s when I was deeply involved in SWLing, IRCs were very much in use. The stations requested, in addition to your SWL reports, with SINPO, blah, blah, blah, a single IRC for surface mail return of your QSL card and two IRCs for air mail return.

The fight at the post office was the same as today - some people knew exactly what they were and how to use them while others didn't have a clue.

I was first licensed in 1978. In addition to direct and bureau, there were guys like W3KT (5 cents or 10 cents per QSL?) and a host of QSL managers - like W3HNK who is still doing it today.

Now there's eQSL and LotW. With the demise of many incoming bureaus all over the world, the options for getting the QSL have actually been increasing.

Art - N4PJ

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> Dale K8TS
> ----- Original Message -----
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> To: "DX List - New" <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2009 11:24:23 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??
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> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > From: oo7@...
> > Date: Wed, 1 Apr 2009 22:15:25 -0500

> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??
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9436. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 12:56:23 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9418 Message: 9436

Back in the real olden-golden days QST ran an article for a 1KW amplifier using just one [1] 807. [Note for 'younger hams ... the 807 is a 35 watt output pentode ... er ... DeForest Valve ... er ... vacuum tube]

And, it is possible to build such an amplifier ... REALLY!!

The theory goes like this ... simply run the 807 in GG configuration with 400 VDC on the plate. This is very standard bias condition for the 807.

Now, in a GG configuration the driving power is in phase with the output power and ADDS to the output. This is very standard theory stuff. So, to get 1 KW from a single 807 simply drive it with 965 watts. I remember that there was a disclaimer of sorts in the article. The disclaimer stated that the plates turned very red very fast just before they melted. Date of publication: 1 April of course!

However, it was a very well written article full of theory, smoke and mirrors.

DD, W1MCE

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2009 5:51 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

I'm gonna build me a big 10 meter amp! Anyone got about 100 807's?

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Look for me on a band near you today

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Derek
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9437. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 13:56:03 UTC
From: PY7ZZ-GMAIL
Topic: 9425 Message: 9437

Lance Martin escreveu:
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> I agree only 1 is required.
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> Behalf Of *Derek Wills
> *Sent:* Thursday, 2 April 2009 11:15 AM
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> aa5bt
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Hello Lance:

Here too ... With 1 IRC or $1 I can send an envelope
up to 20 grms to all over the world (by Economic mail)
Air Mail no problems ... 73

Fred - PY7ZZ

9438. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 15:03:42 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9425 Message: 9438

>That's what IRCs are. The equivalent of the required
>return postage to send a letter by air mail to anywhere in the
>world. You don't need two.

Not true - it pays for the MINIMUM postage for a letter to a foreign country. In some countries, airmail postage rates are different to different countries. The IRC can be exchanged for the MINIMUM rate.

The USPO would be quite justified in giving you only a 72 cent stamp for an IRC, since that is the airmail rate to Canada (perhaps Mexico is less, I'm not sure), and you would then need two of them if you were going to mail a letter to Europe (94 cents).

Someone can correct me if I'm wrong, but I've always understood this to be the reasoning behind DL stations/managers requesting 2 IRCs for mail to the US. It may not apply to everyone everywhere, and certainly a US station or manager doesn't need more than 1 IRC to respond to a QSL request from any other country.

Derek
aa5bt

9439. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 15:17:50 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9418 Message: 9439

DD,
You forgot to spell out GG: grounded grid configuration as the ExtraLites wouldn't have a clue. An 807 is not a triode - ok.
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2009 5:56 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

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9440. Re: [DX-IS] Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 15:24:17 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9418 Message: 9440

I remember that! "Ya gotta talk fast, othrewise the plate will blind ya!"
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Apr 2, 2009 at 7:56 AM, Deacon Dave <w1mce@...> wrote:

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9441. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 15:30:35 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9425 Message: 9441

Hi ya'all,
Here's a link that is kept up to date with postage, IRC's etc.:

http://www.k4hb.com/postage.html

Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; Paul M Dunphy ; Derek Wills
Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2009 11:01 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] IRC's For Sale ??

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was using was such that I was right on the edge with 2 "Green Stamps" and when I wanted to send $2 I would send a $2 bill.

73,
Bob
K2TK

9442. Re: postage

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 15:34:02 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9442 Message: 9442

The guy that keeps the postage website notes:

If you Google Foreign Postage it's number one.

All I say about IRCs is that they have on the back of them that one is enough for return postage from any country that's a member of the UPU. I see no need for an IRC chart.

Rene

- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

9443. Re: [DX-IS] Re: postage

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 15:41:45 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9442 Message: 9443

>All I say about IRCs is that they have on the back of them
>that one is enough for return postage from any country that's
>a member of the UPU. I see no need for an IRC chart.

>Rene

Your IRCs must be different from mine. Mine (expiring Dec 09)
say "... FOR THE MINIMUM POSTAGE.....", and that is the point.

The cost of mail from DL to HB0 is LESS than that from DL to W.

I will try to restrain myself from having to say this again for
a while...

Derek
aa5bt

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Date: 2009-04-02 15:51:46 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9418 Message: 9444

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 16:12:01 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9418 Message: 9445

Same here Zack.....I know what the 6****, and 12**** stand for on the out side of the tube. Even half way remember what the stripes stand for on a restister(or ateast where to find them) Old phart symtom here also

Dale K8TS

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9446. Speaking of QSLs and return postage . . .

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 19:48:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9446 Message: 9446

Today I received a RTTY QSL from 9V1F1 (special event station) with a note in it saying "One green stamp is adequate, Thank you, Selva 9V1UV." The letter contained my QSL and a $1 USD bill.

I had enclosed 2 GSs as I didn't know the return rate from Singapore to Canada. Kudos to the guys in Singapore! That's honesty and an example of good QSL practice.

73, Paul VE1DX

9447. ARLD013 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 22:41:02 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 2915 Message: 9447

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DX Bulletin 13 ARLD013
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT April 2, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD013 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MAURITIUS, 3B8. Mart, DL6UAA is QRV as 3B8MM until April 15. He is generally active on 20 meters around 1400z. QSL to home call.

RODRIGUES ISLAND, 3B9. Piotr, SP2JMR and Slavo, SP2JMB are QRV as 3B9/home calls until April 8. Activity is on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL to home calls.

BARBADOS, 8P. Richard, G3RWL is QRV as 8P6DR until April 24. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW and digital modes. QSL via operator's instructions.

MALTA, 9H. Augusto, HB9TZA will be QRV as 9H3JR from April 4 to 14. Activity will be on the HF bands, including 6 meters, in his spare time. QSL to home call.

ANGOLA, D2. Vasil is QRV as D2QMN and has been active using RTTY on 20 meters between 1800 and 1900z. QSL via RZ3EC.

ANTARCTICA. Felix, DL5XL is a member of German team over-wintering from Neumayer III and is active as DP1POL until early 2010. He is active mostly on 40 and 20 meters using CW. QSL via DL1ZBO.

IRAN, EP. Sadegh, EP3HF has been QRV on 17 meters SSB around 0930Z. QSL direct.

ST. BARTHELEMY, FJ. Operators Oscar, EB1HF and Pablo, EC1DPM plan to be QRV as FJ/EB1HF or FJ/EC1DPM from April 7 to 12. Activity will be on 20, 15 and 10 meters using RTTY. QSL direct via EC1AE.

HUNGARY, HA. In commemoration of the 1848 attack on Hungary that prompted their independence, special event station HG160FNY is active until July 31. QSL via HA0DX.

NORWAY, LA. Fred, ON6QR will be QRV as LA/home call from Moskenesoy Island, IOTA EU-076, from April 8 to 12. Activity will be on 40 to 20 meters using CW and QRP power. QSL to home call.

BONAIRE, CURACAO, PJ2. Jan, PA4JJ is QRV as PJ2/home call from Curacao, IOTA SA-006, until April 11. Activity is on all HF bands using RTTY and possibly PSK31. QSL direct to home call.

SEYCHELLES, S7. Bernd, DL7UCX will be QRV as S79UCX from April 6 to 16. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL to home call.

GREECE, SV. Members of the Aegean DX Group are QRV as SX8P from Samos Island until April 12 in celebration of the 2500th anniversary and in honor of the memory of mathematician Pythagoras. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using mainly SSB with various digital modes. They may also be active on Satellite AO-51. QSL via SV8CYV.

PALAU, T8. Operators JH0IXE and JA0FOX will be QRV as T88CW and T88NF, respectively, from April 4 to 12. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. QSL to home calls.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the Special Wireless Activity Team will be QRV as TC2FLH from the Fenerbahce Lighthouse, ARLHS TUR-021, on April 4 and 5. QSL via operators' instructions.

CANADA, VE. In celebration of the 50 years since the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway, Canadian amateurs can use special callsign prefixes XL, XM, XN, and XO until May 31.

MELLISH REEF, VK9M. Operators George, AA7JV and Tomi, HA7RY are QRV as VK9GMW until April 6. Activity is on all HF bands. QSL via HA7RY.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND, VK9X. Haru, JA1XGI will be QRV as JA1XGI/VK9 until April 11. Activity is on all HF bands using CW and digital modes. QSL to home call.

INDIA, VU. Frank, DL4KQ, Sarath, VU3RSB and Jose, VU2JOS will be QRV as AT9RS from Grandi Island, IOTA AS-177, from April 5 to 7. North and South American stations QSL via W3HNK and all others QSL via DL4KQ.

CAMBODIA, XU. Nob, JA1FMZ will be QRV as XU7FMZ beginning April 6 for about six weeks. QSL to home call.

SYRIA, YK. Saad, N5FF is QRV as YK1BA until April 10. Activity is mainly on 80, 40 and 30 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, from around 2000 to 2300z, and the 0200 to 0500z. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, LZ Open 40-Meter Sprint CW Contest, Montana QSO Party, ARCI Spring CW QSO Party, Poland DX Contest, Spain RTTY Contest, Missouri QSO Party, QCWA Spring QSO Party, RSGB RoPoCo 1 CW Contest, RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship, 144 MHz Spring Sprint will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for April 7. Please see April QST, page 84 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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/EX

9448. Re: Dxcc rule change

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-02 23:25:44 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 9418 Message: 9448

Now you're talking my language Jack!

And you will know how hard the plugs were to come by and how impossible it was to get a splined tuning knob for the BC454!!!!!

73, Lee ZL2AL - Another dinosaur!!

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9449. [425ENG] 425 DX News #935

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-03 15:47:18 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9449 Message: 9449

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

9A - Once again Zik, VE3ZIK will be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice, Croatia on 12-21 April. He plans to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands, with an emphasis on 80, 40 and 30 metres. He also plans to operate SSB and CW on 20 and 40 metres from Ugljan Island (EU-170) and Pasman Island (EU-170) for one day. QSL via DO7ZZ (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to ve3zik@...). [TNX VE3ZIK]
9H - Augusto, I2JJR will be operate holiday style as 9H3JR from Malta (EU-023) on 10-14 April. He plans to operate SSB mainly on 40 and 17 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX I2JJR]
C9 - The C91FC team [425DXN 919] now includes nine operators from Belgium and South Africa: Steffi/ON3AEO, Filip/ON4AEO, Jose/ON4CJK, Kath/ON7BK, Adele/ZR6APT, Deon/ZS6ABR, Lucas/ZS6ACT, Sid/ZS6AYC and Gert/ZS6GC. They will operate SSB, RTTY, PSK and CW on 80-10 metres from 9 to 13 April. QSL via ON4CJK, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.c91fc.be
GM - The website for the MM0RAI/p expedition to Rockall (EU-189) [425DXN 933] is now up and running at http://www.rockall.be/. The operators will be Patrick/ON4HIL, Theo/ON4ATW, Marc/ON6CC, Luc/ON4IA and Karel/ON5TN. They will attempt at landing on Rockall between 30 April and 1 May, and, depending on weather and sea conditions, they will be active with two stations on 80-10 metres SSB and CW for about 48 hours. QSL via ON4BR, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4ATW]
HA - In 1849 the Hungarian city of Debrecen was the capital of Hungary for a short time during the Hungarian Revolution and War of Independence. Commemorating the events of 160 ago, special event station HG160FNY (QSL via HA0DX) will be active from 1 April until 31 July. Look for also five HA160 individual special prefixes (HA160DX, HA160KA, HA160NDE, HG160BW and HG160JUV) to be aired during that time frame. Further information on this event and the relevant award can be found at www.qrz.com under HG160FNY. [TNX HA0HW]

HS - Tony, E21IZC and others will be active as E21IZC/p from Lipe Island (AS-126) on 12-13 April. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via E21IZC. [TNX The Daily DX]
I - Walter, IN3XUG will be active as IC8/IN3XUG from Ischia Island (EU-031, IIA NA-001) on 1-10 April. Look for him mainly on 20 and 40 metres SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call. [TNX IN3XUG]
JT - JH1AWN and three members of the Akita DX Association (JA7AGO, JA7LU and JA7ZP) will be active from Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia on 21-28 April. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 from two different locations, JT1KAA's shack and their hotel. Plans are to be QRV on 160-6 metres, but 160m activities will depend on local conditions. The callsigns and relevent QSL routes are: JT1AWN via JH1AWN, JT1AGO via JA7AGO, JT1LU via JA7LU, JT1ZP via JA7ZP. Cards can be sent direct or via the JARL bureau. [TNX JA1ELY]
JW - Francois, F8DVD will be active once again from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026), Svalbard on 18-26 April. Look for him to operate as JW/F8DVD from the Longyearbyen ARC, with main activity on 40 and 20 metres SSB and CW. His 16-year-old son Victor, F0EPL will be with him. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F8DVD]
KH4 - The dates for the K4M expedition to Miday Island [425DXN 932] are now set for 9 through 19 October. Further information, including details on how contribute to the expedition, can be found at www.midway2009.com.
KL - The KL7RRC IOTA expedition to Ogliuga Island (NA-233, new one) [425DXN 923] is now expected between 23 July and 5 August, IOTA Contest included. Preliminary information can be found at http://www.na-234.com/index.html (click on "NA-233 Plans").
LA - Fred, ON6QR will be active as LA/ON6QR from Moskenesoy Island (EU-076) on 8-12 April. He will operate CW QRP on 40-40 metres during his evenings. QSL via home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
OA - Marco/CE6TBN, Rene/DL2JRM, Zoli/HA1AG and Jorge/OA4BHY will be active as 4T6I from Isla La Leona (SA-098) on 10-13 April. They plan to operate CW and SSB on 10-80 metres with two stations. QSL via DL2JRM, direct or bureau.
OZ - Ben, DO1BEN will be active again as OZ/DO1BEN from Lolland Island (EU-029) on 9-17 April. He plans to operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PY - A large group of operators from the Teresina DX Group will be active as ZW8BBC from Ilha das Canarias (SA-072) from 29 April to 3 May. Plans are to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via PS8DX. [TNX PS7AB]
S7 - Bernd, DL7UCX will be active as S79UCX from the Seychelles on 5-17 April. He will operate holiday style on 10-80 metres mainly CW, running 100 watts into dipoles and a vertical antenna. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. The log will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
SP - Eleven special event stations will be active from Poland on 16-19 April to commemorate the World Amateur Radio Day (18 April): 3Z0WARD, 3Z2009WARD, HF2009WARD, HF84WARD, HF9WARD, SN0WARD,

SN2009WARD, SP0WARD, SP2009WARD, SQ0WARD and SQ2009WARD. QSL via SP2FAP. Further information can be found at http://www.ward.pzk.pl/ [TNX SP2FAP]
T8 - JH0IXE (T88CW) and JA0FOX (T88NF) will be active from Palau on 4-12 April. They plan to operate CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV on 80-6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]
TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (www.tcswat.org) will operate as TC57A on 22-27 April in remembrance of the role played by the 57th Infantry Regiment of the Turkish Fifth Army during the Dardanelles Campaign in 1915. QSL via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]
TK - Joachim, F6BUL will be active holiday style as TK/F6BUL from Corsica (EU-014) on 8-15 April. He will operate QRP on 40-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
TK - Look for Gabriele, TK/IZ5FDD and Alessandro, TK/IW5ELA to be active from Corsica on 20-24 May. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 40-6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ5FDD]
VK9M - The VK9GMW operators have passed the 7,000 QSOs mark, with 80 metres as their most productive low band. The weather continues to be fine and they expect to remain on Mellish Reef until 10 April at least. Regular updates and on-line logs can be found at http://www.vk9gmw.com. QSL via HA7RY.
VU - Yamini, VU2YAM and Manju, VU2SMS have joined the team that will operate as AT9RS from Grandi Island (AS-177) between 5 and 7-8 April [425DXN 934]. They will run two stations, one for SSB and one for CW, with verticals and dipoles on the following announced frequencies:
CW 28040, 24920, 21040, 18098, 14040, 10114, 7030, 3530 kHz
SSB 28560, 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 14260, 7055, 3765 kHz
QSL via W3HNK (South and North America) and DL4KQ (rest of the world). Further information can be found at either www.vu3rsb.org and www.mdxc.org/at9rs [TNX VU3RSB]
XU - Eddy, XU7AFU (CW) Wim, XU7TZG (SSB and PSK31) will be active as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (Bamboo Island, AS-133), on 3-6 April. QSL via ON7PP (direct only). [TNX The Daily DX]
XU - Reijo, OH4MDY will be active again as XU7MDY from Shinanoukville, Cambodia on 9-21 April. He plans to operate CW, SSB and some digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX NG3K]

NORTHERN TOUR ---> Maurizio, IW4BLZ will be active on 80-6 metres as OY/IW4BLZ from the Faroe Islands on 27-29 July, and as TF/IW4BLZ from Iceland from 31 July to 11 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IK3AES]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

MMAA CW CONTEST ---> The Manchester Mineira All America CW Contest, sponsored by the Juiz de Fora CW Group, will be held on 16-17 May. Further information, including last year's event results, can be found at www.powerline.com.br/cwjf. Ed, PY4WAS says that a number of major changes will be introduced in 2010.

RADIO MARITIME DAY ---> On 11-12 April (from 12 UTC to 12 UTC) merchant marine radio officers from several countries will be active on the HF bands (1824, 3520, 7020, 14052, 21052 and 28052 kHz) to meet amateur radio operators for the Radio Maritime Day special event. Further information can be found at http://www.radiomaritimeday.org

SP-DX CONTEST ---> Organized by the Polish Amateur Radio Union (PZK) and SP DX Club, the SP DX Contest will be held from 15 UTC on 4 April through 15 UTC on the 5th, on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres Phone and CW. Complete details can be found at http://www.spdxcontest.info/en/index.php [TNX SP9MRO]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

UK POSTAL RATES ---> Postal rates in the United Kingdom will rise on 6 April. The new airmail rates will be as follows:
Europe Rest of the world
up to 10 grams GBP 0.56 GBP 0.62
up to 20 grams GBP 0.56 GBP 0.90
up to 40 grams GBP 0.81 GBP 1.35

WARD AWARD ---> The WARD (World Amateur Radio Day) Award commemorates the World Amateur Radio Day celebrated by IARU on 18 April each year. The award is sponsored by MK QTC (the Polish Amateur Radio Journal) with the Polish Amateur Radio Union's support, and it is issued to licenced amateurs and SWLs for contacts made/heard between 00.00 and 23.59 UTC on 18 April. Details can be found at http://www.ward.pzk.pl [TNX SP2FAP]

WCA ---> The World Castles Award is for working stations operating from castles located in Belarus, Belgium, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Great Britain, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Switzerland and Ukraine. Complete information can be found at http://www.wcagroup.org [TNX RN1CW]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2OU, 3D2YA (OC-121), 3V8BB, 3V8SS, 4L4MM, 4L4WW, 4O/K1ZZ, 4S7NE, 4U1UN, 5B/AJ2O, 5B4AII, 5H3RK, 5K0CW, 5K3T, 5N/LZ1QK, 5U5U, 5W0KI, 6W/DL2RMC, 6Y1LZ, 7Q7AH, 7Q7HB, 7Y3HM, 7Z1HB, 9G5ZZ, 9J2BO, 9J3A, 9L0W (AF-037), 9M6/N2BB, 9V1F1, 9X0W, 9Y4AA, 9Y4D, A35KL (OC-169), A43DLH, A5100A, A71CV, A71EM, AC5O/p (NA-168), C31CT, C4N, C6APG, C91LW, CE0Y/N6NO, CE0Z/DL2AH, CE1/K7CA, CM6RCR, CT9L, CX7CO, CX9AU, CY2ZT/2, D44TD, E27EK/P, E51QQQ, EA9IB, EA9PY, EK6TA, EL2DX, ER0WW, ER1DA, ER4DX, ET3JA, EY7AF, FK5RE, FK8CP, FM5AA, FM5LD, FO/DJ7RJ (OC-027), FW5RE,

GX4KPT (EU-120), H40FN, HC1MD, HE8ICE, HI3K, HI9/DL4JS, HK1AT (SA-078),
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ZK3AH, ZK3MW, ZP5CGL, ZS1OLI.

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9450. ARLP014 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-03 15:45:33 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3232 Message: 9450

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ZCZC AP14
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 14 ARLP014
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 3, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP014
ARLP014 Propagation de K7RA

Our Sun is in the news again, unfortunately not due to any hoped for activity, but for the eerie quiet instead. The Sun is surprisingly calm by several measurements -- including the large number of spotless days -- average 10.7 cm solar flux, and low solar wind pressure.

According to an April 1 release from NASA that I wish was just an April Fool's joke, we are witnessing a 50-year low in solar wind pressure -- a 20-percent drop since the mid 1990s. Of course the advantage to this is geomagnetic storms are very rare. But that is a disadvantage for VHF operators who enjoy using aurora to propagate radio waves.

The news release at http://tinyurl.com/czphz7 claims that 10.7 cm solar flux is at a 55-year low, although this figure has only been tracked for the past 65 or so years. They also tell us that 2008 had more spotless days than any year since 1913 (see http://tinyurl.com/cwfddc).

In this bulletin we have calculated a running 3-month average sunspot number, and the average for January through March -- centered on February -- at 2.1 was the lowest 3-month average since July and August of 2008.

Here are the averages since January 2007.

Jan 07 22.7
Feb 07 18.5
Mar 07 11.2
Apr 07 12.2
May 07 15.8
Jun 07 18.7
Jul 07 15.4
Aug 07 10.2

Sep 07 5.4
Oct 07 3.0
Nov 07 6.9
Dec 07 8.1
Jan 08 8.5
Feb 08 8.4
Mar 08 8.4
Apr 08 8.9
May 08 5.0
Jun 08 3.7
Jul 08 2.0
Aug 08 1.1
Sep 08 2.5
Oct 08 4.5
Nov 08 4.4
Dec 08 3.7
Jan 09 2.3
Feb 09 2.1

Using this table, we have been fooled before, thinking that an up-trend would continue. Take a look at the periods centered on October 2007 or August 2008.

The first Propagation Forecast bulletin of 2008 (http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2008-arlp001.html) noted that one year prior we commented that 2007 would likely see the transition from Cycle 23 to 24. Then in the fifth bulletin of last year (http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2008-arlp005.html) we saw that uptick in the 3-month moving average, suggesting that the new cycle was commencing. The same bulletin noted that four years prior to that, in 2004 a reader asked if we might be at the end of Cycle 23.

We've looked at various predictions for the next cycle, and that same NASA article referenced above has a plot of the various predicted maxima at http://tinyurl.com/cjv35r. Quite a range! At one time we were excited by the prediction of Dikpati et al, because it foretold a robust Cycle 24. But note in the chart (that you can zoom in on by clicking) there were actually four predictions more optimistic that her team's projection. My favorite, since it is the most wildly optimistic, is the 2005 forecast by Horstman, which crunched data from the last five solar cycles, starting with 19, of course, for a sunspot peak of 185 in 2010 or 2011.

Right now there are no sunspots, but the 10.7 cm solar flux is up a bit lately. The latest prediction has the usual quiet planetary A index at 8 for April 3-4, then back to 5, then 15 and 10 for April 9-10. Predicted solar flux is 71 for April 3-9, then back to 70 for April 10-22, then to 72 for April 23 and into May.

Recent mail indicates operators are still enjoying the HF bands, even without sunspots. Matthew Chambers, W1JEQ of Newark, Missouri

says he had fun working HI3TEJ, ZW5B, YW4D, PY6HD, and several U.S. stations in a recent DX contest, using just a barefoot transceiver and a 20 meter monoband mobile whip attached to a fire escape. He notes, "If this is what zero sunspots can sound like then I can't wait to hear the bands with sunspots!"

Tim Hickman, N3JON of Timonium, Maryland wrote, "After a more quiet than normal week, if that is even possible, the bands were popping late afternoon and early evening on Thursday April 2 2009. On 20 meters strong signals from CN8KD at 2100 show up in Maryland then VKs and JA start showing up on 20 meters then 2 hours later AG1AB is working the east cost with solid 59s on 40 meters then on the spotters net reports start showing up of DX on 10 meters which I can hear but not well enough to work. It was nice to see the bands come alive at least for a moment - we all can hope this is the harbinger of things to come!"

Russ Ward. W4NI of Nashville, Tennessee likes the new book "Midlatitude Ionospheric Dynamics and Disturbances" by Kintner and Coster, although he says it is very advanced and notes it is "not for the unmotivated. I noticed also that the book is very expensive."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for March 26 through April 1 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 69.1, 71.6, 70.6, 70.9, 70.9, 71.2, and 70.8 with a mean of 70.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 4, 4, 5, 4, 4 and 4 with a mean of 4.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 2, 2, 4, 3, 2 and 3 with a mean of 3.1.
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9451. [425ENG] 425 DX News #935 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
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9452. 3B9/SP2JMB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-04 14:35:12 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9452 Message: 9452

Anyone in NA hear 3B9/SP2JMB yet? I see him spotted a lot, so
he's quite active. I dutifully go to the frequency indicated and
never hear him. :-(You'd think there would be a whisper on some band.

He's there because I can usually hear a moderate pileup up a
bit. Maybe he has a modest antenna and low power. Anyone know what
he is running?

73, Paul VE1DX

9453. Re: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-04 20:35:19 UTC
From: PY7ZZ-GMAIL
Topic: 9452 Message: 9453

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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>
You aren't alone Paul. Same to me ... never heard here
on any band or mode. 73

Fred - PY7ZZ

9454. Re: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-04 20:43:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9452 Message: 9454

At 05:35 PM 4/4/2009, you wrote:
>Paul M Dunphy escreveu:
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> > he's quite active. I dutifully go to the frequency indicated and
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> >
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>
>Fred - PY7ZZ

He must be running low power or just wire antennas, Fred. You
are in a better location to hear him than I am. Oh well, maybe one
of these days he will rise out of the noise!

73, Paul VE1DX

9455. RE: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-04 22:08:00 UTC
From: Bud Semon N7CW
Topic: 9452 Message: 9455

Paul and Fred,

I worked 3B9/SP2JMB on Apr. 2 at 0250Z on 20 CW short path. Not loud but only a small pileup and fairly easy to work. I'm not sure, but I think the amp hadn't warmed up, so it was with 100 W. I'm in central AZ, so maybe 1/2 way between you guys is the magic spot :)

73, Bud N7CW

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Saturday, April 04, 2009 1:43 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

At 05:35 PM 4/4/2009, you wrote:
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> > Anyone in NA hear 3B9/SP2JMB yet? I see him spotted a lot, so
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73, Paul VE1DX

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9456. Vertical vs Beam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-05 05:39:52 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9456 Message: 9456

I have a question for the group about experiences with different antennas:

I was looking at a recent issue of CQ at the local bookstore tonight (it wasn't the April issue) and in a column dealing with semi stealth antennas, they mentioned that a 3/8 or 1/2 vertical will show comparable performance to a 2 element yagi. Is this true? Will such a vertical really do as good as a 2 element beam?

Also, how would a roof mounted 1/4 wave vertical compare to a 2 element tribander at a low height-like 25 feet or so?

73s John AA5JG

9457. Re: [DX-IS] Vertical vs Beam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-05 06:09:34 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9456 Message: 9457

The fundamental laws of physics do not change with advertising. The rules I heard in 1948 still apply: The BIGGER and HIGHER the BETTER. No vertical beats a yagi. At the same height 4 el are better than 3. The angle of radiation is determined by the elevation above ground. LOWER gives you a higher angle. Ideally a motorized tower and big yagis let you vary the height for the optimum angle. You can prove it to yourself in a long ragchew by varying the height as the band changes! You can keep the signal level high for a long time. I used to keep a sked with CN8 from Calif and a 20 ft difference in height changed the signals from S9 to nada. I KNEW he was there, and just ran the tower up and down for max signal. And again if he started to fade.

A vertical IS better than nothing. The best "stealth" is a dummy load.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: towertalk@... ; dx-is@yahoogroups.com ; okdxa@mailman.qth.net
Sent: Saturday, April 04, 2009 7:39 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Vertical vs Beam

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9458. Re: [DX-IS] Vertical vs Beam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-05 13:49:51 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 9456 Message: 9458

To paraphrase John Peters, something an old European engineer told me back in the '60s:

The measure of an antenna SYSTEM is the tolal amount of metal above ground

73 Don K5AQ

9459. RE: [DX-IS] Vertical vs Beam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-05 17:34:40 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9456 Message: 9459

While you're absolutely right, John, as usual you fail to acknowledge that most of us are not in your financial position and WE don't have large plots of land on which to plant aluminum trees. When I work DX it is because I work at it -- I don't just open my mouth or send my call on CW. It would be nice (I would like to think) if I could do that but I'd miss the fun of the chase.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Sunday, April 05, 2009 3:10 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Vertical vs Beam

The fundamental laws of physics do not change with advertising. The rules I heard in 1948 still apply: The BIGGER and HIGHER the BETTER. No vertical beats a yagi. At the same height 4 el are better than 3. The angle of radiation is determined by the elevation above ground. LOWER gives you a higher angle. Ideally a motorized tower and big yagis let you vary the height for the optimum angle. You can prove it to yourself in a long ragchew by varying the height as the band changes! You can keep the signal level high for a long time. I used to keep a sked with CN8 from Calif and a 20 ft difference in height changed the signals from S9 to nada. I KNEW he was there, and just ran the tower up and down for max signal. And again if he started to fade.

A vertical IS better than nothing. The best "stealth" is a dummy load.

73 John K1ER

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger <mailto:aa5jg@...>
To: towertalk@... ; dx-is@yahoogroups.com ;
okdxa@...
Sent: Saturday, April 04, 2009 7:39 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Vertical vs Beam

I have a question for the group about experiences with different antennas:

I was looking at a recent issue of CQ at the local bookstore tonight (it wasn't the April issue) and in a column dealing with semi stealth antennas, they mentioned that a 3/8 or 1/2 vertical will show comparable performance

to a 2 element yagi. Is this true? Will such a vertical really do as good as a 2 element beam?

Also, how would a roof mounted 1/4 wave vertical compare to a 2 element tribander at a low height-like 25 feet or so?

73s John AA5JG

9460. Re: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-05 18:22:44 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9452 Message: 9460

Just did a search for 3B9 on DX Summitt.....only 3 of the last 100 spots were from US and I don't recall any VE (although I was not looking for). Spots were about evenly devided between SP 'trst, and some WARC. Maybe we see more of them once contest is over.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bud Semon N7CW" <n7cw@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, April 4, 2009 6:08:00 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

Paul and Fred,

I worked 3B9/SP2JMB on Apr. 2 at 0250Z on 20 CW short path. Not loud but only a small pileup and fairly easy to work. I'm not sure, but I think the amp hadn't warmed up, so it was with 100 W. I'm in central AZ, so maybe 1/2 way between you guys is the magic spot :)

73, Bud N7CW

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Saturday, April 04, 2009 1:43 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

At 05:35 PM 4/4/2009, you wrote:
>Paul M Dunphy escreveu:
> >
> > Anyone in NA hear 3B9/SP2JMB yet? I see him spotted a lot, so
> > he's quite active. I dutifully go to the frequency indicated and
> > never hear him. :-(You'd think there would be a whisper on some band.
> >
> > He's there because I can usually hear a moderate pileup up a
> > bit. Maybe he has a modest antenna and low power. Anyone know what
> > he is running?
> >
> > 73, Paul VE1DX
> >
> >
>You aren't alone Paul. Same to me ... never heard here
>on any band or mode. 73
>
>Fred - PY7ZZ

He must be running low power or just wire antennas, Fred. You are in a better location to hear him than I am. Oh well, maybe one of these days he will rise out of the noise!

73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo! Groups Links

9461. Re: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-05 20:00:45 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9452 Message: 9461

At 03:22 PM 4/5/2009, you wrote:

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>100 spots were from US and I don't recall any VE (although I was
>not looking for). Spots were about evenly devided between SP 'trst,
>and some WARC. Maybe we see more of them once contest is over.
>
>Dale K8TS

Thanks for the info, Dale. Glad to hear it's not just me who
can't hear him. That area of the world isn't great for NA, but you'd
think there would be more spots. Anyhow, that's the way it goes. I
believe he is there for awhile longer, so maybe we'll get a shot at
working him.

73, Paul VE1DX

9462. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #903

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-05 20:43:20 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9462 Message: 9462

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th/March, through Sunday, 5th/April there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T33, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9L, VK9M, VK9X, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2008 MMAA CW CONTEST RESULTS. The results of "2008 Manchester Mineira All America" (MMAA) CW Contest are now available at:
http://www.powerline.com.br/cwjf
The CWJF Web site also has photos and commentaries of the participants at: http://www.powerline.com.br/cwjf/fotos_ing.php
The CWJF group states, "If you were one of the participants, our thanks,

and if you did not participate in 2008, you wait to have the HONOR of your valuable participation in 2009." PLEASE NOTE: In 2010, the Manchester Mineira All America CW Contest will be expanded to include the five continents and to separate the modes of CW and SSB into two different dates. Details will be forthcoming.

3D2, FIJI (IOTA Op). Jan, OK2ZAW, will be on a holiday DXpedition in May and will be active as 3D2ZW. He plans to activate a few IOTA using his IC-706 (w/100 watts) into a vertical and dipole antennas. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. His schedule is as follows:
May 1-8th - Nadi, Viti Levu Group (OC-016); callsign 3D2ZW/p
May 2-4th - Bounty Island (OC-121); callsign 3D2ZW/p
May 4-6th - Manta Ray, Yasawa Group (OC-156)
May 6-8th - Botaira Beach Res., Yasawa Group (OC-156)

40M DX HUNTERS NET. Net Controller John, VK6JB, informs OPDX that he has been in the hospital for 7 weeks and is still recovering. He states, "I have had a skin graft which is healing slowly and is still quite painful. Others were trying to run the net while I was away but conditions were bad and other problems persisted to make it difficult. As of this week, we will be back in full swing with the net, so I hope that you will be able to join us. Our regular nets are as follows: Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays -- Usual time is at 1200z. The net is on 7093 +/- QRM. So, starting April 8th, come and join us. We know that conditions are not good but there have been some quirky openings on 40M, so come and be part of the net. Hopefully you can make a contact with a station you really need (a QSL or new country)." For more info about the net and the 40m group, please send an E-mail to: vk6jb@...

5C, MOROCCO (Update/IOTA Op). Alfredo, IK7JWX, updates OPDX on the QSL and log search information for the upcoming DXpedition to activate Mogador Island (AF-065), April 19-25th. He states, "Our plan is to upload logs at least once a day, so you can use the LOGsearch page to see if you're in the log starting the day after your QSO(s). The online lookup function cannot correct any problems we discover in the logs. We will correct them when back home. If your callsign is not in the log and you think it should be, please use the LOGsearch by date and control band and UTC time. Only if you find a typing error in your call, send an E-mail from the form. QSL processing will be handled as follows:
* For 5C2A, 5C2B, 5C2C, 5C2F, 5C2J, 5C2L, 5C2SG, 5C2Z: via IK7JWX, by the ARI Bureau or direct to:
Alfredo De Nisi, PO Box 218, 73100 LECCE Centro, ITALY
* For 5C2Y only: via I0SNY, by the URE Bureau or direct to: NICOLA SANNA, Via Bartolomeo Grazioli, 26, 06132 - S. SISTO (Perugia), ITALY
* Stations in the pacific Area (only zone CQ 28,29,30,31,32) for all callsigns: via VK4FW, by the bureau or direct to:
BILL HORNER, PO BOX 612, CHILDERS, 4660, AUSTRALIA
Direct QSLing requires a SASE and a minimum payment of 3 USDs or 2 Euro. Incomplete requests will be returned via bureau. All surplus funds received will go to the 5C2 DXpedition. If you wish to contribute separately for the 5C2 DXpedition, please click on the 'Donations'

button on the left (on the Web page). You can use also the 'Online QSL Request System' (OQRS) from the LOGsearch menu if you would like to receive your 5C2 QSL automatically sent through the QSL bureau or automatically mailed to you. In this last case your payment should be made via Paypal; you do not need to send us your card. If you use the Online QSL Request Service, please do not send any further cards via the bureau or direct!" For more details, please their Web page at: http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org

8P, BARBADOS (NA-021). Richard, G3RWL, is once again active as 8P6DR from here between now and April 24th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using CW and the Digital modes. DO NOT LOOK FOR HIM ON APRIL 8th -- It is his wedding day! Over the past weekend Richard was active on 40/30/20 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to: g3rwl@...

8Q, MALDIVES. Cliff, SV1JG, will be active as 8Q7SV between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be mostly CW and digital modes on all bands. QSL via SV1JG, direct or by the bureau.

8R, GUYANA. Operators Dan/KE7TBB and his father Dan/N7EAA will be active as 8R1AD between April 20th and May 3rd. Activity will be on 20 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. They plan to look for stations who are young ham operators and running low power (kilowatt and under). QSL via N7EAA.

9A, CROATIA (IOTA Op). Zik, VE3ZIK/DO7ZZ, will once again be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice (Croatian coast) between April 12-21st. Activity will be only on 40 and 20 meters CW/SSB. There will be a one day operations from Ugljan Island (EU-170, CI-134) as well as Pasman Island (EU-170, CI-085). QSL via DO7ZZ, bureau 100%. LoTW and eQSL is also "OK". Zik really prefers paper QSL cards.

9H, MALTA (EU-023). Augusto, HB9TZA/I2JJR, will be on a short holiday in Bugibba (JM75EW), St. Paul's Bay, between April 9-14th. His callsign will be 9H3JR, but will sign /P around the islands if the weather is "OK". His holiday style operations, both /P and from main QTH, will mainly be SSB on 40 and 17 meters, but any band is possible (80-6m). He will use a FT817 for portable operations, and an IC7000 with AH4 for his fixed operations. The antennas will be a long wire, dipoles or a 10m fishing rod, depending on band conditions, places and space available. QSL via his home callsign.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Another Chance!). If you missed the C91TX operation you will have another chance to work another team of operators on a DXpedition to Mozambique, and they will sign C91FC from April 9-13th. The "Fox Charlie DXpedition" team is made up of the following operators: Philip/ON4AEO, Kath/ON7BK, Sid/ZS6AYC, Adele/ZR6APT, Gert/ZS6GC, Lucas/ZS6ACT, Jan/ZS5JC, Deon/ZS6ABR, Jose/ON4CJK, Herman/ZS5LH and Steffi/ON3AEO. They hope to activate the following bands, 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The QSL Manager is ON4CJK. Send QSLs either by the Bureau or direct. It is requested that direct cards be accompanied with 1 IRC or

2 green stamps with a self addressed envelope (QSLs without this, QSLs will be returned via the Bureau). The QSL address is: JOSE DUYCK, MOLENAKKER 56, 8740 EGEN, BELGIUM. More information regarding the DXpedition can be obtained from their Web site at: http://www.c91fc.be

CT, PORTUGAL (Lighthouse Activity). Members of the Algarve S.T.A.R. DX Team are planning to activate a new lighthouse on April 18th between 0700-1300z. Activity will take place from Doca Olhao (Parsena Olhao) West Lighthouse (ARLHS: POR-129, DFFA (Algarve Lighthouse Award) Fa-32). Callsign will be announced later. Look for updates and more informations at: http://algarvedx.com

CT3/CS9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Ulf/DL5AXX and Frank/DL8WAA will be active as CS9L during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DJ6QT. They are looking for another operator to join their team. If interested, send an E-mail to: dl5axx@...

DP1/DP0L, ANTARCTICA (AN-016). Felix, DL5XL, (member of the first German over wintering team) is now active from the German Antarctic station "Neumayer III" using his personal DP1POL callsign and working CW mostly on 20 and 40 meters. Felix will be at Neumayer 3, until early 2010. QSL via DL1ZBO. A new WAP reference number has just been issued to the Georg Von Neumayer III Station as WAP DEU-08. More details can be found on the WAP Web site (under News & Information page) at: http://www.waponline.it

DU, PHILIPPINES (IOTA Op). Max, M0GHQ, now active from here as DU9/M0GHQ until the end of April, plans to activate the following islands sometime during his stay: Cebu Island (OC-129), Mindanao Island (OC-130), Samal Island (OC-235) and Leyte Island (OC-129). Activity will be on 160-10 meters on SSB, PSK and RTTY using 100 watts and wire antennas. There may be some 6 meter operations. This past weekend Max was heard on 20 meters RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

HG160, HUNGARY (Special Event). Hungarian amateurs from the city of Debrecen will be active as HG160FNY (as well as special individual callsigns) until July 31st. Activity is to remind everyone of the historical event 160 years ago (in 1849) where the Austrian army occupied the Capital city (back then was Debrecen) and Transdanubium. Look for activity on all HF bands including VHF/UHF using various modes (including digital). QSOs are good towards the Commemorative Diploma. The principal special callsign will be HG160FNY with different operators. QSL Manager is Zoli, HA0DX. Special individual callsigns announced are: HA160DX (Zoli/HA0DX), HA160KA (Istvan/HA0KA), HA160NDE (Vince/HA0NDE), HG160BW (Imre/HG0BW) and HG160JUV (Vili/HG7JUV). Stations with individual special callsigns will not have QSL Managers. QSL cards should be addressed to the Central QSL Bureau in Budapest and should be handled as a conventional card. A special QSL card will be issued for each contact with a special station. For the Commemorative Diploma, you need one contact with a HG160FNY station and two more contacts with stations participating in the event with two different callsigns, independent of mode or frequency. For more details, please visit the following Web pages:

http://www.qrz.com/db/HG160FNY http://www.ha0ka.fw.hu
http://www.mrasz.hu http://www.deol.hu

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-126. Operator Tony/E21IZC and possibly others will be active as
E21IZC/p from Lipe Island, April 12-13th. Activity will be
on 40/20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via E21IZC.

AS-177. Operators Sara/VU3RSB, Frank/DL4KQ, Jose/VU2JOS, Yamini/VU2YAM
and Manju/VU2SMS are now active as AT9RS from Grandi Island
until April 8th. The following suggested frequencies were
announced:
CW - 28040, 24920, 21040, 18098, 14040, 10114, 7030 and 3530
SSB - 28560, 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 14260, 7055 and 3765 kHz
There are two regional QSL routes. QSL via W3HNK (For North/South
America) and DL4KQ (rest of the world). For more information,
please visit the following Web pages: http://www.vu3rsb.org
http://www.mdxc.org/at9rs

EU-076. Fred, ON6QR, will be active as LA/ON6QR from Moskenesoy
Island, Norway, between 2100z, Wednesday, April 8th, and
0800z, Sunday, April 12th. Activity will be only CW running
QRP (5 watts) and mainly on 40-20 meters. QSL via his home
callsign.

EU-189. Theo, ON4ATW, reports that a Belgian team of five "well
prepared and trained Dxpeditioners" will attempt a landing
on Rockall Island between April 30th and May 1st. Depending
on the weather and sea conditions, they will be on the air
with two stations using the callsign MM0RAI/p for about 48
hours. Suggested frequencies are:
Band SSB Extra CW
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80m 3763 up 5 kHz 3863 RX 3516 up
40m 7063 or 7163 7236 RX 7016 up
30m ----- -- 10116 up
20m 14263 up 5 kHz -- 14016 up
17m 18136 up 5 kHz -- 18084 up
15m 21263 up 5 kHz -- 21016 up
12m 24963 up 5 kHz -- 24906 up
10m 28463 up 5 kHz -- 28016 up
Operators mentioned are: Theo/ON4ATW, Patrick/ON4HIL, Luc/
ON4IA, Karel/ON5TN and Marc/ON6CC. QSL Manager is Carlo,
ON4BR. Please check their Web site for latest news and last
minute updates at: http://www.rockall.be
ADDED NOTES: Rockall is the summit of an old volcano located
between the north tip of Scotland and Iceland, sticking out 20
meters above the Atlantic. Landing on the 500 square meters
rock is very difficult as it has steep slopes at all sides.
The area is infamous for its high seas and very changeable
weather all through the year. For DXCC purposes, it counts

as Scotland (GM).

SA-072. Members of the Teresina DX Group are preparing a DXpedition to the Canary Island (DIB MA-05, DFB MA-11) on the coast of Piaui, Brazil, between April 29th and May 3rd. Callsign will be ZW8BBC. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY, including 6 meters, 2 meters (SSB/FM) and the satellites (SSB/FM). Satellites mentioned are: AO-7 (A and B), FO-29, AO-51, VO-52, SO-50 and ISS in repeater mode, if activated. QSL via PS8DX (QRZ.com address): Operators mentioned are: PS8BBC, PS8DX, PS8ET, PS8FSM, PS8HF, PS8JN, PS8NF, PS8PY, PS8RF and PS8TV.

HAMCALL WORLDWIDE CALLSIGN DATABASE NOW TOPS TWO MILLION CALLSIGNS. The Web site at "HamCall.net" grows in popularity and content. It contains data from over two hundred countries. "Buckmaster Publishing" is proud to announce their HamCall Callsign Database now exceeds 2,000,000 world-wide callsigns. First issued in 1989 on CD-ROM, HamCall began with only U.S. callsign data then added International listings in 1993. Since then the database and its features have grown steadily each year.
HamCall is the world's largest callsign database and is available on CD-ROM and on the Internet at http://hamcall.net. A typical callsign listing includes mailing address, e-mail address, accurate latitude/ longitude, grid square, QSL manager, previous callsigns, photo and much more. A new HamCall CD-ROM is published each month.
Buckmaster Publishing is also known for its 6, 7, and 8-Band Off-Center-Fed (OCF) dipole antennas at <http://hamcall.net/7bandocf.html>, Great Circle Maps (Azimuthal Equidistant), and Name Badges. Buckmaster also hosts the web site of the popular CQ Magazine Archives at: http://hamcall.net/cq
Buckmaster products can be found at amateur radio dealers across the U.S. and are widely distributed to over 200 countries by the publisher. For further information, contact: Jack Speer, N1BIC, Buckmaster Publishing, 6196 Jefferson Hwy, Mineral, VA 23117 --or-- info@...

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Kasimir, DL2SBY, will be active from here between April 24th and May 4th. Activity will be on HF bands (80-10m) using CW, SSB and RTTY. Equipment will be a TS2000, FT900AT, Ameritron AL811, HF9V vertical and a monoband vertical for 30/40m. Activity will also take place on 13cm and 23cm using EME. Equipment will be a FT726R, Dish 3, 7m, and 2 amplifier for both bands. Kasmir will use two separate callsigns for this operation. For the HF bands, he will use HB0/DL2SBY and for the EME activity will sign HB0/DF1SR. QSL via DL2SBY, by the Bureau or direct.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND (Update). It was announced this past week by team co-leaders Tom/N4XP and Dave/WB4JTT (edited): "We are pleased to announce the anticipated dates for the DXpedition are now set for October 9-19th. These dates have been selected to allow maximum operation for the eleven days we will on the island and most importantly provide Midway Island over two weekends. Logistical planning is under way and equipment is

being arranged. Plans for six stations to be located in two separate locations are proceeding with two antenna fields feeding these two operating sites. Modes will be CW, SSB and RTTY with at least one station on 20 meters 24 hours a day to provide that new entity to those who need it. A link is now provided showing the radio site at the X on the beach area on the north side of the island where the operating positions will be located. The DXpedition web site <www.midway2009.com> is fully functional. New additions are a poll to find out what bands and modes are most needed and a Midway 2009 memorabilia store. Follow the links to tell us your Midway DX needs and to add to your DX memorabilia collection. The team is highly experienced and anxious. We invite you to become familiar with some of the team by visiting: http://www.midway2009.com/meettheops.html "

LZ8, BULGARIA (Special Event). Members of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs (BFRA) will be active as LZ8WHST to promote the next World High Speed Telegraphy Championship to be held in Obzor, Bulgaria, in September 2009. This special callsign will be randomly activated by several different BFRA operators from their home QTH and will be active until the end of September. Operation will be 99% CW, with the possibility of some occasional SSB and Digital contacts. Activity will be emphasized during the championship, September 11-15th. QSL via LZ1PJ. QSLing will start after the end of activation.

MRD 2009. Attention all former maritime radio operators and CW operators! The "2009 Maritime Radio Day" will take place between 1200z, April 11th and 1200z, April 12th. For rules to participate and a list of stations to be in this special event, please go to: http://www.radiomaritimeday.org/

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
7Q7AH and 7Q7HB QSL STATUS. Allan, G0IAS/7Q7AH, informs OPDX that all QSL cards for 7Q7AH and 7Q7HB, that were received during the month that he (G0IAS) was in Malawi, have been answered. Please be aware that ROYAL MAIL will be INCREASING their costs in the middle of April. Allan states, "Thank you everyone who worked 7Q7AH. Radio conditions were not very good in the Southern Hemisphere most days, just the openings in the evening which arrived when it was meal time! Despite this over 100 Countries were worked."

CS6A and CT7FFC QSL cards were received from the printer. Direct QSL requests are in the mail, and E-mail bureau requests will be answered as soon as possible via the bureau. If you received their old CS6A QSL card, please E-mail the Algarve STAR DX Team, and they will send a new CS6A QSL card again at no cost to you. See the new QSL card at: http://algarvedx.com

QSLS VIA LOTW: 4U1UN, HC8A, PW0S and YX0A/YX0LIX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3V8BB, 4O/K1ZZ, 5B4AII, 5B/AJ2O, 5W0K, 6Y1LZ, 9L0W, 9X0W, C4N, C91LW, CM6RCR, EA9PY, J7N, JT1CO, RW3QC, S21DX, SV9/DJ7RJ, TO3R, VU7SJ and ZK2DF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9A9Z/P, A45WD, C56YK, DF1RA, DF2EY, DH6JH, DL6ABN, DL6DSA, DL8AX, DL8ER, DL9BH, DO6RO, RA6CY, UA6AF/P and UA9BX

S7, SEYCHELLES. Ben, DL7UCX, will be active as S79UCX between April 5-17th. Activity will be holiday-style on 80-10 meters with operations mainly on CW using 100 watts into a vertical and dipole antennas. QSL via DL7UCX, direct, by the Bureau or the LoTW.

SILENT KEY. OPDX was informed that Bill Hamer, ZL2CD, became a Silent Key on Sunday, March 29th, at Wellington Hospital. Bill received a QSM for services to radio but will be remembered by untold thousands of amateur radio ops all over the world for his QSOs. He was mostly active on CW, but his voice was heard on SSB. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of ZL2CD.

SOLAR CYCLE 24 NEWS. There was good and bad news reported this past week. In the middle of the week a good report from Thomas, NZ4O, came out stating, "A huge solar cycle 24 sunspot group has formed near E30N80 in the northern hemisphere of the Sun. It has pushed the solar flux index up from 71 to 155 and 6 meters is open globally via F2 layer propagation." However, bad news reported from NASA indicates that the sun is plunging into the deepest solar minimum in a century. NASA states on April 1st, "The sunspot cycle is behaving a little like the stock market. Just when you think it has hit bottom, it goes even lower. 2008 was a bear. There were no sunspots observed on 266 of the year's 366 days (73%). To find a year with more blank suns, you have to go all the way back to 1913, which had 311 spotless days: plot. Prompted by these numbers, some observers suggested that the solar cycle had hit bottom in 2008. Maybe not. Sunspot counts for 2009 have dropped even lower. As of March 31st, there were no sunspots on 78 of the year's 90 days (87%)." Read the complete report at: http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2009/01apr_deepsolarminimum.htm

SY2, GREECE (Special Event). Greek operators from Veria (SV2/Macedonia region) will activate the special callsign SY2DDAY between June 4-7th. Activity is to celebrate the 65th anniversary of the greatest landing operation in history during WWII, with the participation of seven countries on the beach of Normandy. Greece participated with 2 warships and 4 commercial freighter. Activity will be on all modes and bands. QSL only direct via SV2KBB (w/SAE) to: Archelaos Iakovidis, P.O. Box 26, P.C. 59100, Veria Makedonia, HELLAS, GREECE. Please, DON'T send bureau QSL. Operators mentioned are: Kostas/SV2LLB (5B8BG), Andreas/SV2JAO, Archelaos/SV2KBB and Litsa/SW2MIN (XYL SV2JAO). ADDED NOTE: Activity on Echolink R-4 (SV2/ Mt.Vorras) node: 121496, E.P.C. #6504. QSL Manager is also SV2KBB. To see the QSL card, go to: http://www.qrz.com/sy2dday

T8, PALAU. Operators Ryosei/JH0IXE and Nobuhiro/JA0FOX are once again active as T88CW and T88NF, respectively, between now and April 12th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. This past weekend they were very active on 40/30/20/17/15 meters, mostly RTTY with some SSB on 15 meters. QSL via their home callsigns.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Update). Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY, continue to be very active from Mellish Reef. As this was being typed, their log shows that the operators have worked almost 10k QSOs. They are working very hard on the lower bands and may try to work more on the higher bands. Their Web page states, "We intend to remain on Mellish Reef at least until April 10th. After that we will be looking for a favorable WX window for the return trip to the Australian mainland. We have supplies until April 15th - maybe 18th, if we stretch them and reduce power on the higher bands." QSL via HA7RY, direct, LoTW or by the Bureau (remember, they have an "Online QSL Request Service"). For updates and more info, please visit the VK9GMW Web page at: http://www.vk9gmw.com

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. Just a reminder. By the time you read this Haru, JA1XGI/W8XGI, should be active as JA1XGI/VK9 between now and April 11th. Activity will be on all bands including the lower bands using CW and the digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, by the bureau or direct.

YK, SYRIA. Saad, N5FF, in Damascus, is now active as YK1BA until April 10th. He will return home to Texas on April 11th. As usual, the purpose of the trip is not a DXpedition, so his operating will be spotty, but he states that he will try to put in as much radio time as possible. He suggests that his operating hours will be between 2000-2300z or between 0200-0500z and possibly some occasional activities between 1200-1400z. Saad says, "I suspect that 30, 40, and 80 meters will be the bands of choice, and I will be active on SSB, CW, and RTTY." However, he was heard this past weekend on 20 meters SSB. QSL via N5FF (QRZ.com for details).

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9463. 3B9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 03:47:29 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9463 Message: 9463

Just out of curiosity , I looked up my 3B7C card. Worked him on 40 @0244 and on 30 @2113. Might give a hint at when to be really looking for him.

Just a thought. I want him too! (any band is fine)

Dale K8TS

"Try not to judge people by their relatives "

9464. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 04:25:00 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 9464

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

Dear Friends,

the latest issue (March 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in March, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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9465. RE: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 06:06:00 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9452 Message: 9465

It's just condx guys. Oh the times I have wanted to express these sentiments about certain Caribbean or east Pacific stations.

3B9/SP2JMB has been quite good sigs. on most bands here.

A bit of patience and the propagation will come your way, don't forget to have a look on W6EL for some possible good propagation times...

GL, 73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, 6 April 2009 4:01 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 3B9/SP2JMB

At 03:22 PM 4/5/2009, you wrote:

>Just did a search for 3B9 on DX Summitt.....only 3 of the last
>100 spots were from US and I don't recall any VE (although I was
>not looking for). Spots were about evenly devided between SP 'trst,
>and some WARC. Maybe we see more of them once contest is over.
>
>Dale K8TS

Thanks for the info, Dale. Glad to hear it's not just me who can't hear him. That area of the world isn't great for NA, but you'd think there would be more spots. Anyhow, that's the way it goes. I believe he is there for awhile longer, so maybe we'll get a shot at working him.

73, Paul VE1DX

9466. An Appeal for Solidarity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 17:02:10 UTC
From: Grzegorz Siemak
Topic: 9466 Message: 9466

Hello World !!
We ask for support, help and solidarity!
73's -
Greg, SP3V

AN APPEAL FOR SOLIDARITY

I am writing to you in the name of PZK Headquarters with an appeal for co-operation in addressing the Polish Ministry of the Environment which is carrying out a `process of consultations´ before issuing a planned Ministerial Decree on "Installations requiring licensing" and on "Requirements on licensing of installations emitting electromagnetic fields".

Let me state `in a nutshell´: both these Ministerial decrees, if issued as Polish executive regulation, will limit the operation of Polish amateur radio stations operating in the Amateur Radio and Amateur Satellite Services almost to nonexistence. The planned decrees treat amateur radio stations on the same level as commercial radio stations (broadcasting and television transmitters, radiocommunication transmitters) requiring measurements of electromagnetic field intensisties in various directions of the field radiated by the antenna, registration of technical properties of equipment etc. etc.

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a `private´ hobby and leisure activity, but a social
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antennas, limits any attempts at experimentation, the essential feature
of our `hobby´.

If you feel you might help PZK by sending a letter, fax or e-mail to the
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On behalf of PZK,

Wes Wysocki, SP2DX
Ex-IARU liaison officer

Sopot, Poland - April 3rd, 2009
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Ministry of the Environment,
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matters - SP2DX]
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9467. Re: [DX-IS] An Appeal for Solidarity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 18:24:20 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9466 Message: 9467

Shows that happens when the nuts get in power.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 4/6/09, Grzegorz Siemak <sp3v@...> wrote:

From: Grzegorz Siemak <sp3v@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] An Appeal for Solidarity
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, April 6, 2009, 12:02 PM

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9468. Mad Cow

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 18:56:31 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9468 Message: 9468

Hi there,
Would the person who worked for the Grass Valley Group please contact me if you want a 50 year anniversary article. I can't remember who.....
Rene

- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

9469. Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 22:39:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9469 Message: 9469

Can anyone tell me what the pulsating signal that seems to be from 14013-14017? It almost sounds like random key clicks but I can't find a strong signal that would be producing this type of QRM and I don't have the NB on in my rig. I've been hearing it most (if not every) times I have been on 20M in the last few weeks.

73

Al, VE1AL

9470. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 22:42:23 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9469 Message: 9470

Hearing it here too, I assumed it was one of those radar thingies keeping the world safe for, or from, democracy. It's in the 20m CW band because hardly anybody else is...

Derek
aa5bt

9471. RE: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:04:13 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9469 Message: 9471

Now I'm hearing it down at 14010. I suspected that it was OTHR or something similar. It has been as strong as S9 and at that strength it is hard to copy anything through it. Conditions don't seem to be particularly good up here tonight so it won't be interfering with my not operating :-)

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 7:42 PM
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

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9472. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:09:12 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9469 Message: 9472

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9473. RE: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:11:36 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9469 Message: 9473

Yup, it is the same thing, Frank. Your description is very apt. If you think 20 is dead in Atlanta, you need to hear what I'm not hearing!!!

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9474. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:19:11 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9469 Message: 9474

Well, unless there are multiple transmission sites, how can we both be
hearing the same stuff when the band is dead for anything but close
proximity ground wave?
I hope we get a better idea of all the places it's being heard.
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frank w0ecs

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9475. RE: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:23:27 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9469 Message: 9475

I just read this email and thought I would tune around 20 a little

I am hearing it here in North Texas near Ft Worth on my vertical in texas now, I only have a vertical so cant be helpful on
direction, but the sound it exactly as you described, I am hearing it between 14.006.98 and 14015.09 with a null in the center of
these little band of frequencies.

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9476. RE: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:25:32 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9469 Message: 9476

Yes, Frank, I hope so too. Now, I just worked UA9OA on 14017 and there's
no sign of the pulse. Very strange.

73

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9477. RE: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:32:21 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9469 Message: 9477

The UA9 just worked a BV4 but I couldn't hear a peep from the Taiwanese station.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 8:26 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 8:19 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

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9478. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:41:39 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9469 Message: 9478

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9479. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:46:50 UTC
From: WA8WV@aol.com
Topic: 9469 Message: 9479

Peaking S9 + 20 SSW from WV. Carribean or SA area.

DX,
Dave WA8WV

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A Good Credit Score is 700 or Above. See yours in just 2 easy
steps!
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9480. RE: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-06 23:54:23 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9469 Message: 9480

Here is what I am hearing with a narrow CW filter in my MP:

14011.45 low edge of signal
between 14012.00 and 14013.45 a null in signal
14016.45 high edge of signal

and if you tune into the null and sit for a while, you can hear the signal shift into the null on a periodic basis - coming into the
null and then leaving it again, shifting in frequency up and down. Signal level here is a fairly constant S-7 with some fluctuation
due to QSB.

Bob AD5VJ

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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
> Behalf Of Frank T Brady
> Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 6:42 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe
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9481. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 00:01:13 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9469 Message: 9481

It is very weak (barely audible) in KH6. Must be beaming to the US east coast OR near there.

John K1ER/KH6
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9482. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 00:09:35 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9469 Message: 9482

At 08:41 PM 4/6/2009, you wrote:
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9483. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 00:14:45 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9469 Message: 9483

hmmm,
NS - WVA - GA - TX are along a line (more or less) - need more input
from those with directional antennas.

frank w0ecs

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9484. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 00:19:03 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9469 Message: 9484

The drug cartels probably has more dough than our FCC devotes to the airwaves.
Maybe it's encrypted communications from Mexico to their operatives in the States.
frank w0ecs

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9485. VK9FW (VK9LA)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 01:15:38 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9485 Message: 9485

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I am trying to fill out the direct form to the VK9LA group and also make a donation.

I can not navigate through the form for some reason -- can't figure if I should be tabing or enterenting or spacing.

Seems to do goofy things whatever I do.

TIA

Dale K8TS

9486. Re: [DX-IS] VK9FW (VK9LA)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 01:22:51 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9485 Message: 9486

You are in their log on 30 and 40m CW. QSL direct to VK4FW at his callbook address.

I think you can include a donation with your QSL.

There is no donation info in the on line LOGBOOK.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 3:15 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] VK9FW (VK9LA)

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9487. Re: [DX-IS] VK9FW (VK9LA)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 01:36:55 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9485 Message: 9487

Thanks John;

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Peters" <petersj007@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2009 9:22:51 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] VK9FW (VK9LA)

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9489. Re: VK9FW (VK9LA) Read on

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 10:15:28 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9485 Message: 9489

Folks

It is on the main VK9LA page at the bottom is you want to submit/donate electronically.

The OQRS process is

1. Download their PDF form, fill it out woth QSOs, and email it
2. Then hit the donate button on the same page and note your call sign.

Its on the main page not the log page.

73

Bob KB1JZU

-- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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> Thanks John;
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> Dale K8TS
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> From: "John Peters" <petersj007@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, April 6, 2009 9:22:51 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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9490. Re: Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 12:20:42 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9469 Message: 9490

During our recent stint in VP5, Marsha and I competed in the Russian DX contest. Around 1 AM, my ears ringing, I pulled the plug and hit the sack. Woke up around 3 AM and decided to see who was still on and had hopes of getting out to the far west of the U.S. and maybe into Japan.

The bands weren't as active as I had hoped, but I came across a PY7 station I had not yet worked. Each time I tried to call him, there was no hesitation on his end, the CQ TEST just kept rattling off about 30 WPM. I thought maybe he was working QSK and just didn't hear me very well, so I kept tuning around slightly, but he never wavered in his CQ TEST. I figured there was a guy "...asleep at the wheel!"

About half an hour later, he found me, gave me a huge number, and moved on. Maybe toward another cup of coffee!

As for the OTHR or whatever is was/is, I heard it on the low end of 20 CW as well. Amazingly, the NB on my K3 blanked it quite effectively. I didn't try to determine it's bearing from here (central Florida) and a few minutes later it was gone. I saw the post on the cluster from AD5VJ, but by the time I looked near the frequency he stated, I couldn't hear it any more.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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> At 08:41 PM 4/6/2009, you wrote:
> >It hasn't changed a bit here Al.
> >Is there another group that might be interested in this - like the RFI
> >reflector?
> >Arrl? FCC? (chuckle)
> >73, frank w0ecs
>
> I recall the Russian Woodpecker on 40 quite well, and there
> really wasn't anything anyone could do about it. Eventually it went
> away with the demise of the Cold War.
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> Assuming this noise on 20 is military in origin, is there any
> likelihood of anyone doing something to stop it? For all we know, it
> might be "us" and not "them." Just an observation . . . not that
> like it any better than anyone else. My guess is we are stuck with
> it until whoever is doing it decides to turn it off or go elsewhere.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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9491. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 12:57:18 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9469 Message: 9491

Is this a pulse going at maybe 6 times a second? I hear that now but it almost sounds like ignition noise of some sort. Seems to be audible from about 14015 to 14040.

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73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Apr 6, 2009 at 5:39 PM, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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9492. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 13:20:37 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9469 Message: 9492

Apr 7 - Tuesday morning 1315z update.
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9493. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 13:43:46 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9469 Message: 9493

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I called Chuck K0BOG at ARRL and they are aware of the noise and have
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9494. Re: [DX-IS] Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 14:43:16 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9469 Message: 9494

The digi signal I heard just kept going for at least a half hour. I listened while I had coffee and read my e-mails this morning. It seemed to be sending some traffic and then went into idle for 20 minutes. I heard it on 14005 and what might have been the same signal, although weaker, around 14014. I doubt it was an amateur signal. I am not familiar with the mode used but it was some sort of an MFSK signal.

73, Zack W9SZ

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9495. Re: [DX-IS] Re: VK9FW (VK9LA) Read on

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-07 14:50:24 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9485 Message: 9495

I see not problems with the paypal sections.....and can download the form. It's when I get into the form I am having troubles enterting the infor and moving to the next entery

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "rmontemerlo" <kb1jzu@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2009 6:15:28 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: VK9FW (VK9LA) Read on

Folks

It is on the main VK9LA page at the bottom is you want to submit/donate electronically.

The OQRS process is

1. Download their PDF form, fill it out woth QSOs, and email it
2. Then hit the donate button on the same page and note your call sign.

Its on the main page not the log page.

73

Bob KB1JZU

-- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com , Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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> Thanks John;
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> Dale K8TS
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "John Peters" <petersj007@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, April 6, 2009 9:22:51 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] VK9FW (VK9LA)
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> You are in their log on 30 and 40m CW.Â QSL direct to VK4FW at his callbook address.
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> I think you can include a donation with your QSL.
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> There is no donation info in the on line LOGBOOK.
>
> 73 John K1ER
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Dale Cole K8TS
> To: DX-IS
> Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 3:15 PM
> Subject: [DX-IS] VK9FW (VK9LA)
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> Can anyone help me?
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> I am trying to fill out the direct form to the VK9LA group and also make a donation.
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> I can not navigate through the form for some reason --Â can't figure if I should be tabing or enterenting or spacing.
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> Seems to do goofy things whatever I do.
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> TIA
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> Dale K8TS
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9496. Re: VK9FW (VK9LA) Read on

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-08 10:30:59 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9485 Message: 9496

Dale

I have to say that the QSL approach taken is not the most user friendly.

I was able to click the cursor in each field and then type in the data.

Good luck

Bob KB1JZU

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9497. NASA Sunspot website

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-08 11:45:56 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 9469 Message: 9497

http://spaceweather.com/glossary/sunspotplotter.htm?PHPSESSID=ko3id54vcm715ma1caur7ubi76

Want to calculate the sunspots on any day within the past couple hundred years? The above NASA website can show you in graph form a plot on sunspots for virtually any day in the recent past couple centuries. The current sunspot plot as of today looks like a flat line on a cardiac heart monitor--dead.

Tom, WW5L

9498. RFI from Plama TV's affecting Ham radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 04:12:57 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9498 Message: 9498

Hi Guys,

Over the past year, I have been getting RFI on 18073, 14012, 14250, plus and minus a few Khz and large parts of the 30, 40 and 80m band.

Signals up to S9 if I bring the beam around to the source. This is tremendously annoying, especially when trying to work a rare weak DX station.

I recently contacted the ACMA (Australian Communication and Media Authority) and they came out to do some local testing.

A long story short, the offending product is a Samsung PS50Q91HD, 50 inch plasma TV. Which is located in a neighbouring unit, probably within 10m of my antennae.

Now get this. The Australian standards only test for conductive interference from these devices below 30Mhz and not RFI! The RF testing is only done above 30Mhz. So the product is legal!! This Samsung (and LG have also been reported) is legally generating large amounts of damaging RF for probably 20m or more in all directions below 30Mhz..... Can you imagine living in a country that allows the marketing of such a product! Hilarious!

What's more its the screen that is the problem. The ACMA guy said short of putting a faraday cage around the unit, I am stuck with it.

Do you guys in the US, Canada, Brazil, Europe have similar issues? Or does your country protect your HF band spectrum better?

73, Lance - VK6DU

9499. Re: [DX-IS] RFI from Plama TV's affecting Ham radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 04:43:03 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 9498 Message: 9499

On Thu, Apr 9, 2009 at 1:12 AM, Lance Martin
<lance.martin@....au> wrote:
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Which is why I won't have a plasma TV in my house and whenever a neighbor asks, and they do, I try and steer them to LCD. Whist LCD can also have issues, why beg for trouble by having a plasma generator in the neighborhood? Plasma after all is ionized gas which emits RF, it's what makes radio astronomy possible. I believe in the US if the set interferes with a licensed service, the owner of the source of interference is responsible for fixing the problem. Easier said than done and how far do you want to push it with a neighbor who is also a friend. The same is true here in Canada AFAIK. Not really a new issue however as anyone who worked 80/75m in the early days of TV (yup I'm old enough to have done so) remembers the drone of the sync oscillators spaced about every 15.75 Kc (in those days). Only the frequencies have changed to protect the guilty. One of the joys of the digital age.

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

9500. Re: Noise -- hard to describe

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 10:27:46 UTC
From: Randy Brothers K9OR
Topic: 9469 Message: 9500

It was suggested on one of the other reflectors that this is a "bubble jammer" - I've heard it frequently on 17m the last few years - late afternoon/early evening - centered around 18.080. And now on 20m. First time I heard, sounded like turkey gobbles. Seems to come from the SW (from IL) as others have noted.

Gobbles, bubbles, it doesn't belong. What would they be jamming on 17 or 20, unless it's harmonic or spurious radiation to some SW broadcast frequency jam?

73 Randy K9OR

9501. Re: RFI from Plama TV's affecting Ham radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 10:33:05 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9498 Message: 9501

Over a year ago someone reported on the Florida Contest Group reflector that a plasma TV was effectively wiping out 80 meters.

I decided when the time came to buy another TV (I currently own a Samsung DLP HDTV - it's technically a form of rear-projection), we would stick to either an LCD or another DLP.

Art - N4PJ

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9502. Mellish Reef on 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 10:38:08 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9502 Message: 9502

One of those weird ones this morning. Woke up around 5:30 AM local (0930z) and found VK9GMW on 40 CW. His signal was actually better than the guys he was working here in the U.S.

I heard him work a number of U.S. stations before I got through. He was 579, pretty steady, sometimes better. But the stations I could hear him working seemed way down in the noise.

Numerous times he had to reinforce that he was trying to work NA and SA.

Even with somebody CQing almost right on top of him, he was working several per minute. Around 1030z he QSYed to 160.

Art - N4PJ

9503. Re: [DX-IS] Mellish Reef on 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 11:13:21 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9502 Message: 9503

At 07:38 AM 4/9/2009, you wrote:
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>Art - N4PJ

That too was a new one for me this AM. Really oddball propagation and just made it. Was listening to him for about 3 hours before my sunrise and he was ESP. Not worth calling as I couldn't make out calls, and he was in and out of the noise. Just heard the occasional 5NN. Could hear the pileup OK, but not him.

Classic greyline! He came out of the noise just as it got daylight about 539, and I found the last guy, and then sent my call. He came back with VE1? and then VE1DX 5NN. Phew. It gets better. He worked 4-5 more and then went to 160 (where I couldn't hear a peep.) Talk about a short window and the last chance. Even if he had stayed on 40, I probably had only another 20-30 minutes tops.

These guys have given me a new band country on 80/40/30 so I really have to hand it to them. They said it is a low band CW operation, and they are sticking to their word. The last report said they had a really bad storm yesterday, but that they are OK now. Say their computer (that had gotten wet) is now operational, so RTTY is possible. Time is running out for this operation, but they have done a superb job. Especially with the sun flat-lined, exhibiting zero spots for the last 31 days.

73, Paul VE1DX

9504. ARLD014 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 21:40:31 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3202 Message: 9504

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ARLD014 DX news

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DX Bulletin 14 ARLD014
>From ARRL Headquarters
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To all radio amateurs

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ARLD014 DX news

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TUNISIA, 3V. A group of SWL operators will be QRV with special event station TS1LYMC from April 12 to 30. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK. QSL direct via operators' instructions.

MALTA, 9H. Augusto, I2JJR is QRV as 9H3JR until April 23 while on Easter holiday. Activity is on the HF bands, using mainly SSB on 40 and 17 meters. QSL to home call.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. A group of operators are QRV as C91FC until April 13. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via ON4CJK.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Uli, DF8KN is QRV as D44TEP from Boa Vista, IOTA AF-086, until April 13 using CW and QRP power. QSL to home call.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Max, M0GHQ is QRV as DU9/homecall until the end of April. During his stay, he plans to activate Cebu Island, IOTA OC-129, Mindanao Island, IOTA OC-130, Samal Island, IOTA OC-235 and Leyet Island, IOTA OC-129. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters, including possibly 6 meters, using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home call.

SPAIN, EA. In celebration of the end of the International Polar Year, special event station EG3IPY will be QRV from April 13 to 19. QSL via EA2RC.

THAILAND, HS. E21IZC and others will be QRV as E21IZC/p from Lipe Island, Satul Province, IOTA AS-126, on April 12 and 13. Activity

will be on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct to home call.

PERU, OA. Operators CE6TBN, DL2JRM, HA1AG and OA4BHY are QRV as 4T6I from La Leona Island, IOTA SA-098, until April 13. QSL via DL2JRM.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Anne, OH2TL is QRV as OH0/homecall until April 14. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL to home call. In addition, operators OH3LQK and OH3FM are QRV as OH0LQK and OH0/OH3FM, respectively, until April 15. They are active on 80 to 10 meters using CW and digital modes with two stations. QSL to home calls.

WESTERN SAHARA, S0. A large group of operators will be QRV as S04R from April 12 to 17. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via EA5RM.

CORSICA, TK. Joachim, F6BUL is QRV as TK/homecall south of Bastia until April 15. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

KAZAKHSTAN, UN. Operators UN7BS, UN7BJ and UN7BBJ will be QRV on April 11 and 12 using special callsigns UN12B, UP21B and UP18B during a two day mobile operation from landing places of Soyuz space rockets. Activity will be on 80, 40 and 20 meters, including 2 meters, using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via operators' instructions.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND, VK9X. Haru, JA1XGI is QRV as homecall/VK9X until April 11. Activity is on all bands, with an emphasis on the low bands, using CW and digital modes. QSL to home call.

CAMBODIA, XU. Retu, OH4MDY is QRV as XU7MDY from Sihanoukville until April 21. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and some digital modes. QSL to home call.

MACEDONIA, Z3. Members of the Macedonia Telegraphic Group are QRV with special event callsign Z30MCWG until December 31. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL direct via Z35M.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Japan International DX CW Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, PODXS 070 Club PSK31 Flavors Contest, Radio Maritime CW Day, EU Spring CW Sprint, Georgia QSO Party, Yuri Gagarin International DX CW Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint, UBA Spring SSB Contest, The Low Power Spring CW Sprint is scheduled for April 13. The 222 MHz Spring Sprint is scheduled for April 14. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint and RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Championship are both scheduled for April 15. The ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party runs until April 19. Please see April QST, page 84 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9505. Re: [DX-IS] Re: RFI from Plama TV's affecting Ham radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-09 22:59:23 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 9498 Message: 9505

Not to long ago (2 months ??) there was something on QRZ.com about this. Apparently theowner of the TV receiveda letter from the FCC to discontinue using it as it was causing interference in the ham bands.

--- On Thu, 4/9/09, Art Burke <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: Art Burke <aburkefl@comcast.net>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: RFI from Plama TV's affecting Ham radio
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, April 9, 2009, 6:33 AM

Over a year ago someone reported on the Florida Contest Group reflector that a plasma TV was effectively wiping out 80 meters.

I decided when the time came to buy another TV (I currently own a Samsung DLP HDTV - it's technically a form of rear-projection) , we would stick to either an LCD or another DLP.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@ ...> wrote:
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> Hi Guys,
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> Over the past year, I have been getting RFI on 18073, 14012, 14250, plus
> and minus a few Khz and large parts of the 30, 40 and 80m band.
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> Signals up to S9 if I bring the beam around to the source. This is
> tremendously annoying, especially when trying to work a rare weak DX
> station.
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> I recently contacted the ACMA (Australian Communication and Media
> Authority) and they came out to do some local testing.
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> A long story short, the offending product is a Samsung PS50Q91HD, 50
> inch plasma TV. Which is located in a neighbouring unit, probably within
> 10m of my antennae.
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> Now get this. The Australian standards only test for conductive
> interference from these devices below 30Mhz and not RFI! The RF testing
> is only done above 30Mhz. So the product is legal!! This Samsung (and LG

> have also been reported) is legally generating large amounts of damaging
> RF for probably 20m or more in all directions below 30Mhz..... Can you
> imagine living in a country that allows the marketing of such a product!
> Hilarious!
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> What's more its the screen that is the problem. The ACMA guy said short
> of putting a faraday cage around the unit, I am stuck with it.
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> Do you guys in the US, Canada, Brazil, Europe have similar issues? Or
> does your country protect your HF band spectrum better?
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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9506. ARLP015 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-10 01:20:31 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3368 Message: 9506

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ARLP015 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 15 ARLP015
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 9, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP015 Propagation de K7RA

Today the bulletin is out on Thursday, April 9, because ARRL Headquarters is closed tomorrow on the Good Friday holiday.

Just as we reported in the last three bulletins, again there were no sunspots this week. In this time of the quiet Sun, Spaceweather.com has a new feature keeping track of all these days with no spots. On the left side of the page at http://www.spaceweather.com below the image of the Sun and the current daily sunspot number, it says "New: Spotless Days." Early on April 9 it says "Current Stretch: 14 days, 2009 total: 89 days (87%), Since 2004: 597 days, Typical Solar Min: 485 days."

But if we show no spots in this bulletin plus the past three, that accounts for at least 28 days, so why do the new Spotless Days numbers say it has been 14 spotless days since the last sunspot? The last run of sunspots we show is over two days, March 6-7, so through yesterday, April 8, there have been 32 spotless days.

If we use the archive feature on the Spaceweather page (look in the upper right side of the page) and go back to March 26, although Spaceweather shows the sunspot number is zero, the text beneath the Daily Sun image says "A proto-sunspot is struggling to emerge at the circled location." So if no sunspots emerge later today, April 9, that would account for 14 days since March 26.

Recently the 45 day forecast for daily solar flux and planetary A index at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html has consistently predicted a solar flux at 70 for every day into the future. The last of these was on March 24.

Then on March 25 the prediction was for solar flux at 72 for March 28-31. On March 26 that changed showing solar flux at 72 on March 28 through April 2. On March 27 the solar flux rose to 72 (actually 71.6) and the forecast was the same, but extended the 72 number

through April 3. Solar flux has not reached 72 since then, but the March 28 forecast extends the reading of 72 through April 4.

On March 29 it extends to April 5, and on March 30 to April 6. On March 31 it extends 72 until April 9, three additional days, but it also shows a new period with a flux of 72, April 23 to May 6. April 1 is the same, but April 2 the flux is dropped to 71 for April 3-9. The April 3 prediction gives up on the slightly higher flux values for the near term, but still predicts 72 for April 23 to May 6. The forecast remains the same until April 7, when the 72 flux for April 23 to May 6 is shortened to April 23-29. So it appears that even these near term predictions for a very small increase in activity are continually revised downward.

In the April 8 forecast, it shows the planetary A index for April 9-10 at 15 and 8, then dropping to 5 until April 21. Early on April 9 we are experiencing the effects of a solar wind stream, and planetary K index rose from 3 to 4 at 0300z.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet to unsettled conditions April 10, quiet April 11-14, quiet to unsettled April 15, and unsettled April 16.

Robin McNeill, ZL4IG of Invercargill, on New Zealand's South Island has been on HF for about a year, and is another of many new operators I am hearing from who are enjoying HF propagation at the bottom of the sunspot cycle.

Robin wrote, "With the sunspots and thus the MUF as very low as they are, surely this means that 40 meters is currently as good as it ever gets? In fact, shouldn't 40 meters currently be as good as any band ever gets? I base this assertion on the fact that 40 meters is currently very close to the MUF and, as you note in the last bulletin, there are now few QRN causing solar events."

He continues, "But that doesn't explain why only a handful of European superstations and very few others find their signals into ZL for hams like me on 40 meters with modest wire antennas and urban QRM, even using the grey line. (That said, I have had a handful of QRP SSB QSOs into Europe recently, though I was working hams who have 3-el beams with presumably low QRM locations- one of them, in fact, seemed surprised I was running 5 watts PEP and not 500 watts PEP output, which surprised us both). Or have I overlooked something?"

40 meters is a good band right now, but it isn't "as good as any band ever gets." When solar activity returns, the MUF will rise enough to use the 10-20 meter bands, which typically will have less absorption than 40 meters. In addition, the average ham is more likely to have greater antenna efficiency on the higher HF bands.

Another factor affecting Robin is that Europe is clear on the other side of the planet from him. For instance, from his location to England is over 19,000 km (over 11,000 miles) away. Yet Los Angles is over 11,500 km (nearly 7,200 miles) from him.

If we do some propagation projections using W6ELprop using a smoothed sunspot number of 3 for today, it shows a very narrow period of strong signals over the path to England, from 1900-1930z, when the MUF is 10.9-11.2 MHz. A couple of hours later the MUF briefly reaches a peak of 14.7 MHz.

But for the path to Los Angeles, a 40% shorter route, the opening is very strong on 40 meters from 0530-1430z, and then MUF reaches a peak of 22.4 MHz at 2330z. In fact, toward Los Angeles, 20, 17 and 15 meters are good possibilities as well, but not on the path to England.

Carl Zelich, AA4MI of Chuluota, Florida sent a tip about an interesting NASA presentation called, "NASA Science Update to Discuss Anatomy of Solar Storms," at 1:00 PM EDT (1700z) on Tuesday, April 14. You can watch this live on NASA TV on the internet at http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/nasatv/. In many areas NASA TV is carried on basic cable via academic research channels, such as the University of Washington's UWTV in Seattle. For the complete NASA announcement, check http://tinyurl.com/cyorsd.

Another message in, this time from Rich Zwirko, K1HTV of Amissville, Virginia, about the joys of the extended solar minimum and the resulting quiet geomagnetic field.

Rich writes, "I'm now in my 4th month of retirement. I retired after 48 years in broadcasting (the last 28 at the Voice of America). Based on what the 'experts' were saying a number of years ago, I figured that soon after retirement I would be using the F2 layer to add more DX countries to my 148 country total on 50 MHz. Boy, were the experts wrong!"

He continues, "Well, as they say, if life hands you lemons, make lemonade. With the extended solar minimum and very low MUF numbers, my lemonade is being made on 160 Meters. Shortly after retirement my XYL Phyllis (K1WSN) and I moved to a new QTH in Virginia. The first antenna to go up was a 160 meter Inverted-L. At the old Maryland QTH I had worked 200 countries on the Topband with 100 Watts."

Rich goes on to say, "After 6 weeks of operating, five new ones have been added to the K1HTV 160 meter low power country total. They include K5D, CP4BT, OA4TT, T2OU and, a few days ago, VK9GMW on Mellish Reef became 160 Meter country #205."

He ends with, "So, keep the solar minimum going. We Topband folks are loving it!"

Thanks, Rich. I recall some years ago when our propagation bulletin reported constant geomagnetic storms, week after week. Those in higher latitudes, like much of Canada and especially Alaska, had almost no HF communications as a result. We've almost forgotten what those times were like!

Check out the K1HTV bio at, http://www.qrz.com/db/k1htv.

Another great and positive message, forwarded by KF7E, who says, "this man is clearly an optimist for whom 'the glass is half full,' never half empty. It is a refreshing viewpoint." His friend Mickey, K5ML of Paradise Valley, Arizona lives in a development with a strict homeowner's association, and that means "No Antennas Allowed."

Mickey writes, "Got back on the air in January '07 after being QRT for over 2 decades. I was told that we were at the bottom of the sunspot cycle but the cycle would be turning up soon. There has been no significant upturn in the cycle since then. However, since getting back on the air using a ground mounted vertical and very low wire antennas, I've worked 206 countries and 39/40 zones. And I know from experience that it's much easier to work DX with a beam or a quad."

He ends with, "Like everyone else, I'd like to see the sunspots come back. But the other day a question popped into my mind: 'When the sunspots return, what am I going to work then that I'm not working now?' We will work DX on higher frequencies more frequently than now, but that's about it. I'm beginning to think all this talk about sunspots is overrated. I'm glad I didn't wait for the sunspots to come back before getting back on the air."

Thanks, Mickey!

See Mickey's bio and more about his antennas at, http://www.qrz.com/db/k5ml.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for April 2 through 8 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 70.6, 70.4, 70.1, 70.4, 68.8, 70.2, and 70 with a mean of 70.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 2, 2, 4, 3, 2 and 5 with a mean of 3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 2, 0, 3, 2, 2 and 4 with a mean of 1.9.
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9507. Re: Mellish Reef on 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-10 12:50:04 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9502 Message: 9507

Sorry Paul

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Again great effort for CW another next time for RTTY. No wonder there are so few on the RTTY HR.

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9508. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Mellish Reef on 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-10 15:28:43 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9502 Message: 9508

The last two expeditions to the "Reef" did a lot of RTTY, knocked it

down the "Most Wanted" list quite a bit. It's been a while since the

last expedition, so I expect all the new guys need it.

DX and patience go together hand in hand.

These two guys announced long ago that this was primarily a "Low-

Band" operation, and they have done yeoman work in filling the need

in that respect. So you haven't worked them on 10 Mtr PSK or what-

ever your favorite Band-Mode is, they are only two guys and can't

be everywhere. They need to sleep too.

I for one think they are doing an excellent job and should be applauded,

not chastised.

-EOR-

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: kb1jzu@...
> Date: Fri, 10 Apr 2009 12:50:04 +0000
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9509. [425ENG] 425 DX News #936 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-10 16:46:16 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9509 Message: 9509

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9510. [425ENG] 425 DX News #936

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3V - Special event Scout station TS1LYMC (I Love You My Country) will be activated from Tunisia on 12-30 April. Expect activity on 80-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and SSTV. QSL to TS1LYMC, 33 Rue plaine Lune Borj Louzir, Ariana 2073 Tunis, Tunisia.
C6 - Joe/AA4NN (C6DX), Carl/N4AA (C6AAA), Janet/W8CAA (C6AYL) and Joe/W8GEX (C6DX) will be active from Eleuthera (NA-001), Bahamas on 17-24 April. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands. QSL C6AAA via N4AA, QSL C6AYL and C6DX via W8GEX. [TNX The Daily DX]
CN - Announced frequencies for the upcoming multi-operator activity from Morocco, including Mogador Island (AF-065) [425DXN 931], are the following:
SSB 28455, 24955, 21255, 18145, 14255, 7055, 3775, 1845
CW 28025, 24895, 21025, 18075, 14025, 10115, 7025, 3525, 1825
RTTY 28085, 24920, 21085, 18100, 14085, 10145, 7040, 3585
BPSK31 28075, 24915, 21075, 18100, 14075, 10145, 7040, 3595
Activity is also expected on 2m and 6m. The current roster includes nine operators: I0SNY (5C2Y), I2FUG (5C2F), I8LWL (5C2L), I8YGZ (5C2Z), IK2AQZ (5C2A), IK6CAC (5C2C), IK7JWX (5C2J), IS0AGY (5C2B) and IZ7ATN (5C2SG). Activity is expected to start on 19 April and to finish on the 25th: the callsign to be used from Mogador will be 5C2J/p, while on the mainland each operator will use his individual callsign (/m from lighthouses). Please note that the QSL routes have changed: QSL 5C2Y via I0SNY (direct) or EA4URE (bureau), all others via IK7JWX (direct or bureau); stations in CQ Zones 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32 can QSL via VK4FW (direct or bureau) for all callsigns. Further information, including online logs (to be updated on a regular basis during the expedition) and an Online QSL Request System (OQRS) for requesting your direct or bureau card, can be found at www.mogador2009.altervista.org
D4 - Uli, DF8KN will be active as D44TEP from Boa Vista (AF-086), Cape Verde until 13 April. He operates QRP using a "very short aerial". QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DXNL]

DL - DF6LPC, DJ9IE, DL3HBZ, DL5HAQ and DL8HAL will be active as DK0RZ from Hooge Island (EU-042) on 15-17 April. QSl via bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
EA - Celebrating the end of the International Polar Year,, special event station EG2IPY will be active on 13-19 April. QSL via EA2RC. [TNX F5NQL]
GM - The Camb-Hams will be active as either GM3PYE/p and GS3PYE/p from the Island of Harris (EU-010) on 18-25 April. 2M0OVV, 2M0TXY, G0BOE, G0DDX, G1SAA, G4HUN, M0VFC, M1BXF and MM1BJP. They plan to operate on most HF bands with two stations (SSB and digital modes), with activity also on 6, 4 and 2 metres. QSL via G4HUN, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.camb-hams.com/coming-events/2009-dxpedition
LA - The Radio Club of Gardermoen will be active as LN2G for the Norsk Hammeeting 2009 (http://www.hammeeting.no/) that will take place in Eidsvoll on 17-19 April. Expect main activity on 20 and 40 metres SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via LA2G. [TNX LA7VK]
OH - Jukka, OH3OJ will be active as OH3OJ/p from Kustavi Island (EU-096) on 8-11 April. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands, with main activity on 20-40 metres. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX OH3OJ]
VK9M - The VK9GMW team on Mellish Reef is likely to go QRT on 12 April around 20 UTC. While they have been operational sporadically on SSB, they have given up on RTTY as "it is just too much for such a small team". However, neither SSB/RTTY nor the high bands have ever been a priority for the two operators: they clearly stated from the very beginning that they specialize in low band operations, and that their focus would be on 160, 80 and 40 metres. "Many large DXpeditions do a great job of working the high bands, SSB and digital modes", they say, and "there is a very good chance that one will be on Mellish Reef soon". Regular updates and on-line logs (15,880 QSOs at 20.20 UTC on 9 April) can be found at http://www.vk9gmw.com. QSL via HA7RY.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (March 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

3B7FQ ---> Although propagation and conditions were poor, Rachid, 3B8FQ made 1,500 CW QSOs during his February activity from St. Brandon. He operated just a few hours each day, in between maintenance on the meteorological equipment on the island. Operation was concentrated on 30 and 17 metres, with limited activity on 40 and 20m. By the tenth day, the battery was not recharging properly, which resulted in reduced power and

sending by hand key. Colour QSL cards have been printed and are being mailed. The QSL manager for all of Rachid's operations is K5XK (Ron Evans, 2 Pembroke Drive, Bella Vista, AR 72715-8823, USA). [TNX K5XK]

A43LH ---> The Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society (ROARS) operated as A43LH from Ras Ayqah Lighthouse at Sur on 9-10 April, for the ARLHS Spring Lites QSO Party. QSL via A47RS. [TNX A41MA]

H40FN ---> Siegfried, DK9FN has posted a report on his recent H40FN activity from Pigeon Island (OC-065), Temotu Province on http://hari-ham.com/h40fn [TNX DXNL]

INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY ---> Organized by the Cornish Radio Amateur Club, G4CRC/GB4IMD, the International Marconi Day (IMD) is a 24-hour amateur radio event held annually to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi (25 April 1874). It is not a contest, but an opportunity for amateurs around the world to make contacts with historic Marconi sites using HF communications techniques. This year's event will be held on 25 April, from 00.00 UTC through 23.59 UTC. Details, including information on the relevant Award Certificates and the listing of participating stations, can be found at http://www.gb4imd.org.uk/

LOGS ---> A log search for the recent AT9RS operation from IOTA group AS-177 can be found at http://www.logsearch.de/

LOGS ---> A log search for the recent HZ1FS/p operation from IOTA group AS-192 can be found at www.7z1sj.com.

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Theodor Flick (DL1BO), Will L. Pounds (K7ROK), Donald W. Jones (N4TN), Alex Desmeules (VE2AFC), Charles P. Alter (W9UC) and William R. Hamer (ZL2CD).

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AM5A EA5RKB JW7QIA LA7QIA TM4D F5TLN
AM7M EC7ANC K7XF/KH0 JP1PZE TM7F F6KRC

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D4C IZ4DPV [d] MS0DGR MM0DFV XU7MDY OH4MDY
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lighthouse, etc.

9511. [SEDXC] vk9gmw mellish reef

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-11 13:56:31 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9511 Message: 9511

Finally snagged him when he qsy'd from 40 to 30 at 0145z this am!
he is at 10103 - and Q5 on my doublet.
good luck
73, frank w0ecs

9512. [SEDXC] vk9gmw mellish reef

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-11 13:59:46 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9511 Message: 9512

oops - that time was 1345z (not 0145z) - sorry

Finally snagged him when he qsy'd from 40 to 30 at 0145z this am!
he is at 10103 - and Q5 on my doublet.
good luck
73, frank w0ecs

9513. W4FRU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-11 21:36:06 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9513 Message: 9513

Hey - on October 18, 1982 I worked W4FRU and my notes show 'trying to disallow PYØ'
Would that have been him or the League? Anyone remember?
Rene

- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

9514. Re: [DX-IS] [SEDXC] vk9gmw mellish reef

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 05:08:08 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9511 Message: 9514

Good onya Frank,

73, Lance - VK6DU

Sent from my iPhone

On 11/04/2009, at 22:31, "Frank T Brady" <franktbrady@...>
wrote:

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> oops - that time was 1345z (not 0145z) - sorry
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9515. IRC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 13:58:30 UTC
From: Tom Provost
Topic: 9515 Message: 9515

Does anyone have 4 or 5 stamped IRCs they would sell? I only need a
few. Please let me know at the above email addy.
Tnx - AG2A

9516. Re: [DX-IS] [SEDXC] vk9gmw mellish reef

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 14:47:11 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9511 Message: 9516

Thanks Lance
I don't even have a cell phone since I retired.
I'm slowly shedding modern conveniences to save for a K3 hi.
good luck and 73
frank w0ecs

Lance Martin wrote:
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> Good onya Frank,
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> Sent from my iPhone
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> On 11/04/2009, at 22:31, "Frank T Brady" <franktbrady@...
> <mailto:franktbrady@...>> wrote:
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>> oops - that time was 1345z (not 0145z) - sorry
>>
>> Finally snagged him when he qsy'd from 40 to 30 at 0145z this am!
>> he is at 10103 - and Q5 on my doublet.
>> good luck
>> 73, frank w0ecs
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9517. Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 19:32:51 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9517 Message: 9517

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73, Paul VE1DX

9518. RE: [DX-IS] Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 19:48:37 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9517 Message: 9518

I don't know how we "fix" this unless you get the W4's address from QRZ, get his or her phone number from http://www.zabasearch.com/ , place the call, and ask "was that you who spent 30 seconds tuning up on top of 9V1BH earlier today?". Even if they slam down the phone or respond that someone else was using their call, the message gets sent.

We're supposed to be self-policing. Its a pain, but its our responsibility.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2009 3:33 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Poor judgement

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9519. RE: [DX-IS] Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 19:46:33 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9517 Message: 9519

The full moon the other night may have something to do with it, Paul. I've just stopped calling S04R on 30M, like my 100W and inverted vee have a chance. Since I've been listening to him, there have been countless tuner-uppers, stations calling on his frequency and at least one DXers' call that I recognized calling him on his frequency. Several people told the N2 to move up but he called for several minutes more anyway. I assume someone in his area called him on the LL to tell him to bugger off, if indeed it was him and not someone bootlegging his call.

The S0 has peaked to S-9 but quickly fades back into the mud. I have not heard him work anyone outside Europe.

73

Al, VE1AL

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9520. S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 21:45:25 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9520 Message: 9520

So far, I'm not impressed. I've been listening on 10104 for many hours, except in the hour from 2040 - 2130 when I went to eat. I have not heard one North American get through and when I came back from eating he was S9 and working JAs. Did any North Americans get through while I was away? It is now 2145 and he's faded back down to S3.

73

Al, VE1AL

9521. Re: [DX-IS] S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 22:07:25 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9520 Message: 9521

At 06:45 PM 4/12/2009, you wrote:
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>73
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>Al, VE1AL

I worked them at 17:30, but I happened to be on 30 at the time
all tuned up and saw the first spot. Was there in 10 seconds and got
through on the first call, but then all hell broke lose and it
appeared they were just working EU. Then, as you say, only JA. I
didn't listen all the time, so other NAs might have worked them.

They will be easy in a few days. This is the normal first day frenzy.

73, Paul VE1DX

9522. RE: [DX-IS] S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 22:13:58 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9520 Message: 9522

I heard N4NN and another lower-down east coaster get through. But so far they're the only ones. They're working EU and the strongest NA and sadly, this week coming I have little time to devote to the radio. I only need them on 17 CW/SSB, 30 and 80 CW. The latter two are possible but I won't be able to put a lot of effort into it.

I can't imagine the pileups they're experiencing, mind you, but I'm still disappointed -- even if it is the first day.

Things ain't what they used to was.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2009 7:07 PM
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] S04R

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9523. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #904

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-12 22:18:25 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9523 Message: 9523

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th-April, through Sunday, 12th-April there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9M, VK9X, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

** SPECIAL NOTICE. PLEASE stay clear of the following frequencies
-- 3.640 kHz LSB and 7.045 kHz LSB --
as they are assigned as emergency frequencies for Italian Earthquake Emergency - the Earthquake happened on April 6th, around 0140z.

3B7FQ ST. BRANDON ISLAND WRAP-UP REPORT (via K5XK). Rachid, 3B8FQ, reports on his recent February trip to St. Brandon Island, operating as 3B7FQ. All his contacts were CW only due to loud generator noise. Operations was concentrated on 10 MHz and 18 MHz, with limited operations on 40 & 20M. By the 10th day, the battery was not recharging properly which resulted in reduced power and sending by hand key. Although propagation and conditions were poor, 1,500 QSOs were made operating just a few hours each day, in between maintenance on the meteorological equipment on the island. Color QSLs have been printed and are being mailed this week. QSL all of Rachid's operations (3B7FQ, 3B6FQ, 3B8FQ, and his upcoming July trip to 3B9FQ) via K5XK. Some QSL databases are not correct, since Ron moved to a new QTH last summer. This address is correct and it is also OK on QRZ.com: Ron Evans, K5XK, 2 Pembroke Drive, Bella Vista, AR 72715-8823 USA.

3B8, MAURITIUS (AF-049). Operators Piotr/SP2JMR and Slavo/SP2JMB will be active as 3B8/homecall between now and April 17th. Activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsign.

5C, MOROCCO (Update/IOTA Op). Alfredo, IK7JWX, and a team of operators will activate Mogador Island (AF-065), April 19-25th. He announced this week, "After the terrible earthquake in Abruzzo - center Italy on 6th April, we decided that all surplus funds received will be assigned to the many people in that region who are suffering the effects of the earthquake. We will use official channels to send the money, and we will publish on these pages a paper certifying the donation. So we invite you, if you like and you can, to send any possible amount of money, that will be assigned to the earthquake victims." For more details on this IOTA DXpedition, please visit their Web page at: http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org

C6, BAHAMAS. A group of stateside operators will be active from Eleuthera (NA-001) with each using their own individual callsigns between April 17-24th. Activity from the group will be on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are: Joe/AA4NN (C6DX), QRZ DX Editor Carl/N4AA (C6AAA), Janet/W8CAA (C6AYL) and Joe/W8GEX (C6DX). QSL C6AAA via N4AA. QSL C6AYL and C6DX via W8GEX.

CQ MAGAZINE NAMES PUBLIC SERVICE EDITOR. In a news release by Richard Moseson/W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, dated April 6th, 2009, it was reported: "Richard Fisher, KI6SN, of Riverside, California, has been named Public Service Editor of 'CQ Amateur Radio' magazine, Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. Fisher, a veteran journalist, succeeds Bob Josuweit, WA3PZO, whose final column will appear in the May issue of 'CQ'. Josuweit, who has covered amateur radio emergency and public service communications for 'CQ VHF', and then for 'CQ', since 1996, is stepping down due to increased time demands at his full-time job. Fisher has been a professional journalist for 35 years, working in various capacities for daily newspapers on both the east and west coasts. He is also a prolific writer on amateur radio matters, writing the 'Washington Beat' column for 'Popular Communications' and the 'Trail-Friendly Radio' column for 'WorldRadio Online'. He was previously QRP (low-power) editor of

'WorldRadio's' print edition. A ham since 1965, Fisher enjoys a wide variety of amateur radio activities, including QRP CW operating, outdoor operating, experimenting with antennas and building equipment. He is a co-founder of the Adventure Radio Society. ' I've loved 'CQ' since before my Novice days,' notes Fisher, 'so joining the team will be a thrill.' Editor Rich Moseson added, 'While I will miss the close working relationship I have shared with Bob Josuweit for over a decade, and wish him all the best in the future, I look forward to working closely with Richard and to the added benefits he will bring to the column as a veteran professional journalist.' Fisher's first column will appear in the July 2009 issue of CQ."

DAYTON HAMVENTION (RTTY Contesting Forum). The Dayton RTTY forum will be held Saturday, May 16th, between 1200-1300, in Room 3 and will have a panel discussion on how best to accommodate the diversity of participants in RTTY contests. The vast majority of participants are not super-serious competitors and may only be on for a few contacts to work a new state/province/country or to try out their station or simply to enjoy some RTTY contacts which are more scarce outside of contest periods. Each panelist will give a short statement of their perspective on participant diversity in RTTY contests and then be available to address questions and comments from the audience. Panelist will include K5DU, K4GMH, W2QO, and K4IA.

DAYTON HAMVENTION ARRL AWARDS CARD CHECKING. Bill Moore, NC1L, announced that card checking will be done at the ARRL National Convention in Dayton during all operating hours of the convention Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 15-17th, 2009. There are some important guidelines that will help make the card checking process run smoothly at the following Web page: http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards

EG, SPAIN (Special Event). Look for EG2IPY (WAP-174) to be active between April 13-19th. Activity is to celebrate the end of the International Polar Year 2007-2009. Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSL via EA2RC.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN (Update/Correction). Operators Kasimir/DL2SBY and his friend Georg/DF1SR will be active from here between April 24th and May 4th. Activity will be on HF bands (80-10m) using CW, SSB and RTTY. Equipment will be a TS2000, FT900AT, Ameritron AL811, HF9V vertical and a monoband vertical for 30/40m. Activity will also take place on 13cm and 23cm using EME. Equipment will be a FT726R, Dish 3, 7m, and 2 amplifier for both bands. Kasmir and Georg will use two separate callsigns for this operation. For the HF bands, they will use HB0/DL2SBY and for the EME activity they will sign HB0/DF1SR. QSL via DL2SBY, by the Bureau or direct.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-010. After a very successful DXpedition in 2008 to the Island of Mull, the members of the Camb-Hams have decided to go to the Island of Harris which is off the north west coast of Scotland. Activity will be on all HF bands (including 5 MHz) using SSB and Digital modes. There will also be activity on 6m, 4m, 2m and possibly

70cm (SSB, JT6m and MS). There will be lots of portable operations around the islands (possible interest to WAB chasers) and 3 very energetic climbers activating SOTA summits all week. The callsign will be the CRG (Cambridgeshire Repeater Group) callsign G3PYE, as the activation is in Scotland the prefix becomes GM3PYE/P or GS3PYE/P, both of which will be used. They plan to be active during the week starting April 20th, possibly starting Saturday April 18th through April 25th. For skeds on the VHF bands (voice or data), please E-mail: skeds@...

EU-042. Operators Siggi/DL3HBZ, Uli/DJ9IE, Helge/DF6LPC, Lothar/DL8HAL and Harry/DL5HAQ will be active as DK0RZ from Hooge Island (N-22 for the German Islands Award), April 15-17th. Activity will be on all bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL via the DARC Bureau.

EU-090. The Team of German and Croatian operators will be active as 9A0CI from Palagruza Island (IOCA CI-084, WLOTA-0057, CLH-100, ARLHS-012) between May 9-16th. Activity will be on bands 160-6 meters (including 30/17/12m) using CW, SSB and the Digi modes. A online log will be available on the Web site at:
http://ov-c07.de/aktivitaeten/insel-leuchtturm-aktivierungen/2009-palagruza/9a0ci-2009-palagruza-onlinelog.html

NA-058. Randy, AJ4RW, will be active from Cumberland Island, off the coast of Georgia, May 2nd. He will be on the air from approx. 1500-1930z on the frequencies of 14260 and 7225 kHz, alternating between the two bands as there is only one station scheduled as of right now, but this might change as soon as they move closer to the date of operation. Frequencies may also vary depending upon band conditions. This will be SSB operation only. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-083. Members of the QCWA Chapter 119 will do a combination special event station and RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) effort from Tangier Island, VA, in Chesapeake Bay. The callsign will be W4T commemorating the 400th anniversary of the mapping of Chesapeake Bay and Chapter 119's 30th anniversary. The history of Tangier Island will be promoted as part of this operation. The group's contest effort will be a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are: Quint/K4CQW, Stu/K4MIL, Butch/KE4AZL, Terry/KI4RXC, Talley/W4TVG, Vic/W4VIC, Barry/K5VIP and Ron/W8RJL. The group will operate three stations - CW, SSB, and RTTY on all bands 80-6 meters as conditions permit. QSL via LoTW or K5VIP. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL at the conclusion of the expedition.

NA-128. Members of the NA-128 Contest Group will activate the special callsign CG200I (Charly Golf Two Hundred India) from Ile Verte (C.IS.A QC-015, Grid FN58, ARLHS CAN-224, WLOTA 1404) between

July 23-26th, during the IOTA Contest to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the lighthouse. Operators will be: Frank/VA2RC, Martin/VA2ZO, Eric/VE2EDA, Dany/VE2EBK, Jean/VE2FSK, Steve/VE2TKH, Martin/VE2MTK and Guy/VE2QRA. The group will operate many stations from the lighthouse keeper's quarters on all bands (160-6 meters) and all major modes (AO-51, SSB, CW and RTTY/PSK31). During the IOTA Contest a station will be dedicated to the contest exclusively on SBB or CW. QSL via VE2CQ (bureau or direct). ADDED NOTE: Built in 1809, the Ile Verte lighthouse is celebrating its 200th anniversary and many special activities will take place all summer long. This lighthouse is the oldest in the St-Laurence River and the third oldest in Canada. It was declared a historical monument in 1976 by The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. A special stamp showing the lighthouse was released by Canada Post in 1984. The lighthouse is 54 feet high and is the main attraction on the island. It is open to the public, and there is also an inn where you can stay overnight. Any money received through their QSL manager will be given to the Corporation des maisons du phare de l'Ile Verte in order to help them with the restoration of the lighthouse. If you would like to make a donation, you can do so by visiting the Corporation's Web site at: http://www.ileverte.net/maisonsduphare/index.html Virtual visit: http://www.ileverte.net/maisonsduphare/diapo.html ISLAND NOTE: NA-128 is made up of more than 45 islands, rocks and smaller reefs and more than half of them are accessible for future NA-128 expeditions.

NA-191. Just a reminder that operators Klaus/DK6AO, Gunter/TI7WGI, Andy/DH8WR (EA2CRX), Norbert/DL2RNS, Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM will be active as TI7*** (TBA) from San Jose Island (Guanacaste Province), Costa Rica, between April 17-20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DK6AO, direct or by the bureau. For updates and more info, please visit their Web page at: http://ti7.info

SA-079. Members of the Rio DX Group and Labre will activate Rasa Island (DIB RJ-07, DFB-RJ-10, ARLHS - BRA-047) off the coast of Rio de Janeiero, as PT1R, May 1-5th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes with two stations. There will be also a station active on 6m and 2m for operations in the Araucaria VHF Contest. Operators mentioned are: PY1ZV, PY1NB, PY1YB, PY1IBM, PY1KN, PY2WC, PY2NDX, PY4OG and PY4OY. QSL via PY1NB. More details are forthcoming on: http://riodxgroup.dxwatch.com/rasa

LN2, NORWAY (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club of Gardermoen (LA2G) will be active using the special callsign LN2G between April 17-19th. This special callsign has been authorized in conjunction with the "Norwegian Hammeeting" (See http://www.hammeeting.no). Activity will be mostly on 40 and 20 meters, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via the

club station LA2G.

MDF IN NOVA SCOTIA. The Halifax Amateur Radio Club (HARC) invites DXers, contesters and HF enthusiasts to the 6th Annual Maritime DX Forum (MDF). On Friday, August 7th. A reception and registration will begin at 7:00 pm. The MDF program on Saturday, August 8th, will run from 8:30 am - 4:45 pm, followed by reception and the DX banquet at 6:00 pm.
The speakers - active and outstanding members of our ham radio community - include:
* MARTTI LAINE, OH2BH: Turning New Stones: Building Passion for Amateur Radio
* JOE TAYLOR, K1JT: Advances in Weak Signal Communications
* GEORGE NICHOLSON, N4GRN: 2009 Desecheo Island DXpedition
* DOUG ZWIEBEL, KR2Q: QRP Contesting from Home Stations
The MDF will be held in the Rosaria Centre of Mount St. Vincent University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Inexpensive accommodations are available at the University. This is a great opportunity to combine a top-notch ham radio event with a tourist visit to Canada's Maritime Provinces. The cost of the Maritime DX Forum is $45 and the banquet is $35 Registration materials can be downloaded from the HARC Web site (http://www.halifax-arc.org/), or requested directly from the MDF Chair, Scott Wood, VE1QD. Scott would like to know of your intention to attend, and will gladly answer any questions. He can be contacted at: ve1qd@... or at (902) 823-2761.

OA4/OA7, PERU (Satellite Op). Neven, 9A5YY, intends to operate on the satellites AO-51, AO-27 and SO-50 with his handheld Yaesu VX-7R and vertical antenna AL-800 during his stay in Peru between now and April 19th. Look for him to use the callsigns 9A5YY/OA4 from Lima and as 9A5YY/OA7 from Cuzco. Neven states, "I will be limited with time because of other obligations. I hope I will succeed to do some satellite QSOs. Please, listen and respond to me when you hear my CQ on the birds!"

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Mikko/OH3FM and Pertti/OH3LQK will be active as OH0/homecall through April 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and Digital modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Update/IOTA Op). Operators Hans/SM6CVX (CW), Derek/G3KHZ (CW), Luis/CT1AGF (SSB/RTTY), Gordon/G3USR (SSB) and David/M0VTG will activate three Papua New Guinea IOTA islands between October 22nd and November 9th. The announced schedule and callsigns are as follows:
OC-102 - Tanga Island; callsign P29VCX (via SM6CVX); October 22-26th
OC-231 - Green Island; callsign P29VLR (via SM6CVX); October 27-31st
OC-205 - Woodlark Island; callsign P29NI (via G3KHZ); November 2-9th
Activity will be on 160-15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY modes. The team will be using new single band vertical dipoles for 30-15 meters and a ground plane for 40 meters. Hans, SM6CVX, will activate D'Entrecasteaux (OC-116) as P29VCX (via SM6CVX) between November 11-13th. A Web page is available at: http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009/index.html

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
The C91TX DXpedition's log is now available online as well as some new pictures at: http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html

QSLs for EG2ANT (WAP-171) have been printed; direct requests have been posted already. Bureau cards will be put in the box this week. More info available at the WAP Web site: http://www.waponline.it

QSLS VIA LOTW: 4U1UN, 4W6R, CT1ILT, EF8R, F8DBF, FS5KA, HC8A, HH4/K4QD, J7OJ, J75KG, NP2KW, PY2WC, RW0LT, TI5N, TM6M, UN1L, V5/DJ4SO, VP2E, WP2Z, YN2DD and ZZ6Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4K9W, 5H3EE, 6W/DL2RMC, ER4DX, ET3JA, FS5KA, FW5RE, HC2/SM7BUA, HC2/SM6FKF, J7N, JD1BMM, LY2ZZ, NH0AA/NH2, PX200JMU, T27OU, T30XX, T33ZZ, T88CD, V6C, V6P, V7XX, VK9AA, VP2V/SP7VC, VR2XMT, XW1B, YB2UTX and ZL3IX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1A4A, 4O/DD5FZ, 4Z1UF, 9M4DXX, AM5R, CT1BOL, CT1DIZ, EA6AAC, EU2MM, F/OR7S/P, HB9H, JA3JOT, OE2008MCU, OE8PPK, OL4HQ, RZ4CWW, SV9CVY, TM0BRZ, TM6ACO, TM6I, UR7GO/P, UW1GZ, YU105NT and YW5AS

S0, WESTERN SAHARA (Update). By the time you read this, an international team of operators (known as the Tifariti Gang) composed of Agustin/EA1KY, Roberto/EA2RY, Antonio/EA5RM, Manuel/EA7AJR, Alain/F6ENO, Bernard/F9IE, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR and Valery/UT7CR will be on the air from Western Sahara until April 17th using the callsign S04R. Activity will be on all bands from 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via EA5RM. Ruben, EA5BZ, will be the pilot station. For more information, please visit the S04R Web site at: http://www.dxfriends.com

S2, BANGLADESH. By the time you read this Ramon, DU1UGZ, is expected to be active as S21UGZ from Dhaka City until June 20th, depending on his work schedule. He will be using a low band dipole at first, so his emphasis will be on 80/40 meters SSB and RTTY. From May through June, he will be using a beam for 10, 12, 15, 17 and 20 meters. He hopes to have a linear in use starting in May as well. QSL via DU1UGZ.

SPECIAL EVENT. Members of the Sonoma County ACS (Aux. Comm. Service) and the Sonoma Mountain Repeater Society (SMRS) will activate special event station K6P from Petaluma, CA, on April 25th, between 1600-2300z. This activity takes place during the "Butter & Egg Day Parade", honoring Petaluma as egg capital of the world. Suggested frequencies are: 14260, 7260, 7050 kHz and 146.91 MHz. QSL via KE6LPO, Matt Ilonummi, PO Box 2922, Petaluma, CA 94953-2922. Visit the K6P Blog page at: http://k6p.blogspot.com

SUMMER HOLIDAY TOUR (OY and TF Ops). Maurizio, IW4BLZ, will be on a summer holiday and plans to be active as OY/IW4BLZ from Faroe Islands between July 27-29th, and as TF/IW4BLZ from Iceland between July 31st and August 11t. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using his ICOM IC706 MK2-G (w/100 watts) into a vertical antenna. QSL via IW4BLZ, by the Bureau or direct (w/2 USDs) to: Maurizio Bergonzi, via Pedora 30, 40052 Baricella, Bologna, ITALY. Visit his Web page at: http://digilander.libero.it/IW4BLZ/index.html

TS1, TUNISIA (Special Event). The Tunisian Scouts will be using the special callsign TS1LYMC between April 12-30th. Activity will take place during a Festival "I Love You My Country" and to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Tunisian Scouts. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and SSTV. For more details and the QSL address, please go to: http://www.qrz.com/db/ts1lymc

USI ACTIVITY. Members of the Michiana Amateur Radio Club (W9AB) will activate Monkey Island (Not an IOTA, USI IN-005R), located in the St. Joseph River in Mishawaka (St. Joseph County, WW Loc. EN61WQ, Indianna), on April 18th, between 1400-1700z. Suggested frequencies are: 7030, 7225, 14060, 14225 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL via W9AB (w/SASE) to: Michiana Amateur Radio Club, 3220 E Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, IN 46615-3028 U.S.A.

VK9LA WRAP-UP AND COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT AUCTION. The VK9LA DXpedition made 30,160 QSOs. Breakdown of the QSOs are as follows: 18842/CW, 9261/SSB and 2057/RTTY. By bands: 160m/627, 80m/3347, 40m/9111, 30m/4458, 20m/6714, 17m/3579, 15m/2158, 12m/2158, 10m/161 and 6m/5.
Now is your chance to bid on a piece VK9LA memorabilia. To help raise some funds to repair equipment that failed on the island, a special commemorative Icom VK9LA T-shirt with all operators listed on it, will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. The bids will end April 30th. Current bid (as of press time) was 157 USDs. To see the shirt and place a bid, go to: http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Update). Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY, have had a tough job during this DXpedition -- fighting storms with heavy rains and winds. By the time you read this the operation should be over. On their last day of operation (April 12th), they reported that some of their antennas were destroyed, and the latest storm almost knocked down their tent. They also had to cannibalize parts of their beverage antenna to shore up the tent again. As of print time, their online log showed 17663 QSOs in the database (as of 2039z, April 10th). PLEASE NOTE that their "Log Search" has not been updated with the QSOs that took place between April 9th, 2020z and April 10th, 0920z. There seems to be some issue with the WriteLog file for that period which they hope to fix later. Please QSL via HA7RY, direct, LoTW or by the Bureau (remember, they have an "Online QSL Request Service"). For updates and more info, please visit the VK9GMW Web page at: http://www.vk9gmw.com

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. John, KB4CRT, will be active as VP2MRT between June 12-19th. His activity will include CW, SSB, possibly PSK, and the June VHF Contest. Asian stations are suggested to look for him on 20 meters between 1200-1300z. QSL via KB4CRT.

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Paul, G4BKI, will once again be active as VP9KF from Hamilton Parish, until April 22nd. Activity will be CW only on all bands. QSL via W4/VP9KF: Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615. Visit his Web page at: http://vp9kf.com/
Please, DO NOT send to the VP9 bureau.

WP4, PUERTO RICO (Special Event). A group of operators will activate special event station WP4NPC to commemorate World Amateur Radio Day 2009. Operations will be on the Digital modes, SSB and possibly CW starting about 1600z, mainly between 15 and 20 meters. QSL via WP4NPC.

XR0, JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND. A multi-national team will be active as XR0ZN between November 24th and December 3rd. Activity will take place before and during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). Operations will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are: Marko/CE6TBN, Terje/LA8BCA, Yuri/RA0FU, Ole/LA6EIA, Rag/LA6FJA, Hakon/LA-M, Arne/LA7WCA, Johnny/LA5FJA and RA0FU's brother. QSL direct to Manager. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW in 6-9 months. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.la6fja.eu/dx/XR0ZN

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (Update). Karol, G0UNU, will be active as ZD8KR between May 4-11th. Activity will be mainly on 20 meters CW and SSB. Activity will only be during his spare time, but hopefully daily using IC-7000 and an inverted V dipole. Further details will be available through the QRZ.com Web page under ZD8KR once it is set up at the end of this month. QSL via the RSGB Bureau or direct by using the address under G0UNU on QRZ.com.

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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

9524. Re: S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 00:03:16 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9520 Message: 9524

Just logged them on 40 SSB with a wire and 100 watts from ME.
Not very busy at 0utc. Gd hearing!

Bob KB1JZU

9525. RE: [DX-IS] Re: S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 00:09:19 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9520 Message: 9525

Not a peep here, Bob.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of rmontemerlo
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2009 9:03 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: S04R

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Yahoo! Groups Links

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.285 / Virus Database: 270.11.53/2054 - Release Date: 04/11/09 10:51:00

9526. RE: [DX-IS] Re: S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 00:32:32 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9520 Message: 9526

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9527. RE: [DX-IS] Re: S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 01:47:50 UTC
From: frosty1@pdq.net
Topic: 9520 Message: 9527

Not a peep here in the black hole of South East Texas

K5LBU Frosty
www.k5lbu.com <http://www.k5lbu.com/>
www.dxsafari.com <http://www.dxsafari.com/>
www.africandxsafari.com <http://www.africandxsafari.com/>

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2009 7:33 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: S04R

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9528. Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 11:18:04 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9517 Message: 9528

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Just kidding!

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Art - N4PJ

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9529. Re: S04R

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 11:21:04 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9520 Message: 9529

Marsha (N4BU) said she got up early this morning. She could hear them on 40 SSB well enough but could never get through.

Art - N4PJ

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9530. Mellish Reef QRT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 11:28:14 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9530 Message: 9530

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There was a lot of complaining on the cluster about this operation, but I wonder how many of the gripers took the time to discover (a) they worked hard to accomplish their stated goals for the trip and (b) it was only two guys! There stated goal was to focus heavily on the low bands and they did that. I never did hear them well enough on 80 to get through, but I did get several band fills and Marsha finally got through on 20 SSB.

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9531. Re: [DX-IS] Mellish Reef QRT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 11:39:19 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9530 Message: 9531

Art;

doule ditto

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2009 7:28:14 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Art - N4PJ

9532. [DX-IS] Mellish Reef QRT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 11:54:13 UTC
From: William Beyer
Topic: 9530 Message: 9532

Well said ART!

Toni and George did a super job!

Also , very nice and timely web site.

Thank you VK9-M TEAM for being THERE!

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Bill / N2WB

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9533. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 13:10:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9517 Message: 9533

I have thought of writing down the callsigns of people in pileups who just keep calling and calling the DX when the DX is sending and then finding their e-mail addresses and asking them why they do that.

As for needing to tune right on top of another station, someone must have a pretty bad antenna to have to do that. Even on 160, where I have a bandwidth of maybe 20 kHz, I can still tune 5 kHz or so away from the station I want to work before trying to call him.
73, Zack W9SZ
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9534. Re: [DX-IS] Mellish Reef QRT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 13:33:18 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 9530 Message: 9534

Here Here

Two guys and boat

Fantastic operation

Folks will complain just to complain; but how many have ever gone on an expedition??

DX is more than just 10-15 and some WARC bands and these guys found time to make a few happy outside their goals.

If your Mission Statement says what your goal is and you accomplish it- well that's all that can be said !!!

Great Job Great Guys and for the most part some great conditions on 40/80 and even 160

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mike
KQ0B

Michael W. Elliott
"THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE" -
RETIREMENT - LEISURE, REST and ONLY ELECTRONIC MAIL PAYMENTS
Servant to Bridgett, Collin and all my Creditors
St. Louis County Missouri

--- On Mon, 4/13/09, William Beyer <wbeyerjr@...m> wrote:
From: William Beyer <wbeyerjr@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Mellish Reef QRT
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Sent: Monday, April 13, 2009 7:28
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complaining on the cluster about this operation, but I wonder how many of the gripers took the time to discover (a) they worked hard to accomplish their stated goals for the trip and (b) it was only two guys! There stated goal was to focus heavily on the low bands and they did that. I never did hear them well enough on 80 to get through, but I did get several band fills and Marsha finally got through on 20 SSB.

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look at what these guys did - I don't think I'm that brave! - and consider whether they would ever have attempted what the VK9-M crew
accomplished.

Art - N4PJ

9535. Re: [DX-IS] Mellish Reef QRT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 13:36:45 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9530 Message: 9535

I was trying to figure out if and when they slept!

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Apr 13, 2009 at 6:28 AM, Art Burke <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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> What a gutsy performance from those two guys!
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> The VK9-M operation is apparently now QRT. They may still be on the reef,
> but the station is either dismantled or in the process. Now they're
> apparently waiting on the winds to abate sufficiently that they can depart.
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9536. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 14:09:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9517 Message: 9536

At 10:10 AM 4/13/2009, you wrote:

>I have thought of writing down the callsigns of people in pileups
>who just keep calling and calling the DX when the DX is sending and
>then finding their e-mail addresses and asking them why they do that.
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called out of turn, it could have been WA1W. In both cases, you
"know", but in both cases you are not certain. That's why I didn't
give the W4's call here.

I have a problem with accusing others of something I am not
certain of. Forget the legalities. I have been accused of some
things I did, and also of some things I did not do. I sure didn't
like it, especially when the accuser got the call and story wrong
and/or exaggerated what he thought he heard. Vigilante justice isn't
the answer. I don't know what is. We are supposed to police
ourselves, but we do not have the means.

Anyhow, I got over it! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9537. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 15:51:24 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9517 Message: 9537

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
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> "know", but in both cases you are not certain. That's why I didn't
> give the W4's call here.
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Good onya mate! Forgive and forget (well, maybe not forget). Oh, and to give poor ole Hiram a break! When I was active this happened all the time. People have the urge to tune on the TX freq. of the DX. Having a tube final rig and two tube amps it's only necessary to tune within 50 kc's of where you're gonna transmit. There were two hams in my area in L.A. that had to tune on top of the DX. They were easy to spot watching the signal strength of the tune signal. One is a club member and I used to get on to him on the air but it did no good.

73 de Rene

9538. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 16:21:38 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9517 Message: 9538

Art,
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I wonder if I could use their plain noise bridge (switching it out when transmitting)?
Do you have any doc on the PT-340 - I would be glad to pay for it if my noise bridge would work to kludge up a PT-340 box.
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9539. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 17:55:12 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9517 Message: 9539

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2009 10:10 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Poor judgement

At 10:10 AM 4/13/2009, you wrote:

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>>>That's why I suggest starting the conversation with a question: "Was that you who...?" If the response is "no", I simply apologize for the interrupt and say goodbye.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

9540. Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 18:52:09 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9517 Message: 9540

Let me snoop among my docs and see if I can come up with anything.
Art - N4PJ

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9541. Re: Poor judgement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 19:01:25 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9517 Message: 9541

Frank, I found the "manual" (which includes the schematic) for the PT-340. I can't make out your e-mail from what's listed here - I can respond to you, but can't make an attachment (I don't think!).

Fire me a quick e-mail to

aburkefl at comcast dot net

and I'll send you a scanned copy. It looks like it's four pages, but the "guts" are only the inside two pages - the verbage describing how to use it and the schematic.

I think you can do something similar with a noise bridge, but I'm guessing, as I've never used one!

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9542. S04R in the log

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-13 23:46:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9542 Message: 9542

I sat for 3 minutes outside the edge of the pile-up and I'm pretty sure he came back to me on 40 CW. I say pretty sure because there were at least two stations calling him on his frequency while I was working him. The timing was perfect and so I'm putting him in the log. Cheesh, you'd think S0 was rare or something.

Calling within the confines of the pile-up was fruitless. I know, because I did it for a long time and I simply don't have a big enough signal to compete. You do what you gotta do and I hope I can do that on 30 and 80 where I do need it.

73

Al, VE1AL

9543. Outage

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 03:04:30 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9543 Message: 9543

Yahoo has scheduled outages:
http://www.ygroupsblog.com/blog/2009/04/10/planned-outage-monday-april-13-2009/

Rene

- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

9544. To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 18:11:07 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9544 Message: 9544

I posted this on an amp forum, and all I got were answers from contesters and such saying QSK was easier to operate, some saying they could not do without it. I agree it is better from a pure "working the pileup" point of view. However, it can't be good on the gear, can it?

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Sending VE1DX switches the relays in the rig and the amp twice, once to put things in XMIT and once to go back to RX. ..._ . .---- -.. -..- switches the relays 34 times. It's not the noise of the relays clicking that concerns me. It's the excessive switching that the relays in the radio and the amp have to do. A 17:1 increase just to send my call can't be a good thing from a mechanical point of view.

I understand it's nice to be able, in a DX pileup, the hear the DX send N2 instead of VE. Then I can stop my transmission without completing my call, but at 24-25 WPM it doesn't seem to make a lot of difference. It is better for most operating, I agree, but I question whether it is worth the excessive wear on the relays.

Relays may be inexpensive, but it would take me a week or two to acquire and replace one in the amp. I don't know what I would do with my PRO3 (probably have to get a professional repair shop to do it if I could find one or send it back to ICOM) . . . I'm not technically inclined enough to take it apart and replace the relay in it. I somehow can't get my mind around the idea that full QSK in not abusing the gear. Things break and wear out, but there seems to be no need to hasten the process by a factor of 15-20, if my theory is correct. Maybe it isn't, but I don't want to chance it.

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9545. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 18:59:02 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9544 Message: 9545

Hi Paul,
I'm by no stretch a 'crack operator' - but I would hate to work a pileup without qsk.
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Effectively, I think it would greatly reduce the time my call is being sent *while he is listening*

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9546. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 19:03:51 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 9544 Message: 9546

>If I were to send my complete call and then listen -
>very often, the dx would already have gone back to someone.
> (W0ECS)

You could fix that with a shorter callsign or faster sending
(one good reason for living in Texas!).

Derek
aa5bt

9547. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 19:18:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9544 Message: 9547

At 03:59 PM 4/14/2009, you wrote:
>Hi Paul,
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Thanks, Frank. I understand what you are saying, and after over 23 years of operating (never with QSK), I have "gotten used to" doing it without it. I guess it is equivalent to transmitting SSB and hearing the other guy between syllables and word (like talking on the telephone!)

Anyhow, I don't need to be convinced on the operating advantage . . . some times I send my call a couple of times and when I go back to RX I hear "X 5NN." I have no idea if he came back to me or another station ending in X. I have to wait and see if he sends it again. From a pure operating standpoint, I'm convinced.

The question no one seems to be able to answer is if it beats the crap out of your gear. My impression is that with modern relays it does not, but I gave this vision of the old relays in things like Dentron MLA-2500s and SB-200s stuck in my mind (and the equivalent stuck relays in those amps!)

73, Paul VE1DX

9548. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 20:22:33 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9544 Message: 9548

Hi Paul,

Well the best answer would be.... That depends!

In a modern radio that 99.9% of the actual switching is
done electronically are you
going to wear out the pin diodes or transistors, no... So it is reduced
to a mechanical question with
the relays. The two AMPS you used as examples the answer is most likely
it is very bad and a
failure would be imminent. Those relays are not fast enough and you
most likely would end up hot
switching. If you did the timing sequencing necessary it would be
"break in" at only quite slow
speeds. Also those open frame relays I would wonder about their
mechanical life also with wear
from the raw quantity of use. You could research the MTBF for them.

Now my TS930 uses a reed relay for antenna switching.
Kenwood uses it for break in
switching and it is fast enough for me. I have 2 AMPS that have break
in. My SB220 that has
been modified to do it. It uses the Kenwood relay to switch the input
and a Jennings vacuum
relay on the output. Been working like that for well over 25 years.
Fast enough for me in the
25-30 WPM range. Maybe the 40-45WPM guys wouldn't be happy but I can
hear and stop in the
middle of my call when the DX station replies to someone.

I also have an Ameritron AL811 with the external QSK box
that I use sometimes, but
only on 160, I would say that it is only marginally satisfactory. It
switches the large open frame
relay in the AMP once and then after some delay drops it out. I suspect
that the first dot or dash
is hot switched looking at the SB610 scope. Another problem with that
setup is then when it
releases the AMP relay it induces a large audible spike in the receiver
(again the TS930).
Sometimes quite irritating if using headphones. But I live with it as
I don't operate 160 a lot.
Were I to get serious about 160 I would modify the amp for electronic
bias switching to keep
the tubes cutoff between characters and get rid of the built in
relay. I bought it used as a

package and just use it as such. I've had no failures and as far as I
know K2TA who I bought it
from didn't either.

So properly done I wouldn't worry about it at all. But as
said many times, Your Mileage
May Vary....

73,
Bob
K2TK ex KN2TKR & K2TKR

Paul M Dunphy wrote:

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9549. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 20:43:04 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9544 Message: 9549

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9550. RE: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 20:46:41 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9544 Message: 9550

Many years ago I purchased an AEA QSK-1 at Dayton and have had it installed "forever" on my 3OL-1. It failed me once, when one of the vacuum relays gave up, and I was able to find a single replacement for it. I have never had another problem with it, until recently, when it started to "stick" every once in a while and would not key. A tap with a pair of pliers on the box (not a slam) seems to bring it back to life.

I have not been able to locate the manual that came with it and I haven't taken it off the rig in years to look inside. But I'd sure like to know of a source for the vacuum relays.

More to the point, Paul, there have been tens of thousands of make/break contacts, and I have always liked the ability to hear between breaths on SSB and characters on CW.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, April 14, 2009 4:19 PM
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9551. RE: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 21:15:19 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9544 Message: 9551

>>>AA6YQ comments below

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9552. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 21:32:48 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9544 Message: 9552

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Great idea. Years ago I used a foot switch, but got away from it. Just
can't remember why. I saw it out in the shack a few days ago. May have
to see if I can generate enough coordination to still be able to do that.

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9553. RE: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 21:42:14 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9544 Message: 9553

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9554. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 22:01:49 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9544 Message: 9554

Al,
If you haven't already, you should read the ham review comments on the
QSK-1 and QSK-Master.
I liked the Master better, but I've forgotten why <g>.
73, frank w0ecs

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 22:04:01 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9544 Message: 9555

PS - I think it is difficult to find a schematic for the QSK-Master - proprietary info I guess.
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9556. K41C334 vacuum relay

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-14 23:28:55 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9556 Message: 9556

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9557. Re: To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 11:59:00 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9544 Message: 9557

I'm pretty much in the same boat. I have 320 confirmed on CW and have NEVER worked QSK. I have a foot switch to engage the PTT when I want or need it, but, on CW, I generally use semi-break-in.

On CW I only use the foot switch if I answer someone who's running really slow CW. Without staying in transmit, the VOX (for semi-break-in) keeps dropping out between the letters/words.

My amp (AL-82) is "old style" and not equipped for QSK. I do understand the argument for QSK in a pileup, but I've never felt all that handicapped by not using it.

Art - N4PJ

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9558. I need to make an offering to the DX gods

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 12:44:29 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9558 Message: 9558

I worked S04R Monday night on 20 CW, second call to him. Blind "forest gump" luck, but DX IS and I will take it. So last week's offering to the prop gods was accepted, and Monday night's results are the proof.

Tue and this morning I heard XU7MDY calling CQ on 20 CW in the clear and nooone was responding. I thought he had me at one point when he said "ERG?" but then no reply to my repeated attempts.

Running a 2 ele hex beam at 40 foot with 100 watts for XU7. That should be enough, esp when no one else is calling him. And XU7MDY is a good op (OH4MDY, I believe).

What is an appropriate offering for the polar path gods, as this route still gives me fits? I have yet to work VR2, HS from this QTH. JA is not that common from here for my station. I never hear V8 or 9M or 9V, I only finally worked BY last Aug during Olympics on20 CW, and had to repeat call 8 times.

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

http://wd4elg.net

9559. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 13:01:46 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9544 Message: 9559

Since the purchase of my Titan 425 (Dayton Hamvention 1990), I've operated nothing but QSK while chasing DX or an occasional CW contest. My original Corsair II, (1988 I think) and Omni VI Plus are still driving the Titan 425 just fine. Obviously there is some finite number of operating cycles for every relay but I'm not going to get to overly concerned; I'll worry about replacing the relays when the time comes to do it. In the mean time I'll just enjoy QSK done with Ten-Tec and Bencher...

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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9560. Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 13:26:10 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9544 Message: 9560

Paul, in reviewing the replies to your post (and your answers), it seems to me that your ICOM Pro probably can support QSK for as long as you'll use it, the real issue is will your amp unless it was designed to operate QSK or has a reliable mod or add on to make it so.

I find QSK to be invaluable for working DX from the pile-up. Also for "hunt and pounce" contesting. But for setting and calling "CQ Test" its really not needed. But like many other things, it's a matter of taste, style, and habits.

One CW QSK experience you probably won't experience with PTT; hearing your own CW echoes due to "long path propagation" or polar path reflections.

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

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Sending VE1DX switches the relays in the rig and the amp twice, once to put things in XMIT and once to go back to RX. ..._ . .---- -.. -..- switches the relays 34 times. It's not the noise of the relays clicking that concerns me. It's the excessive switching that the relays in the radio and the amp have to do. A 17:1 increase just to send my call can't be a good thing from a mechanical point of view.

I understand it's nice to be able, in a DX pileup, the hear the DX send N2 instead of VE. Then I can stop my transmission without completing my call, but at 24-25 WPM it doesn't seem to make a lot of difference. It is better for most operating, I agree, but I question whether it is worth the excessive wear on the relays.

Relays may be inexpensive, but it would take me a week or two to acquire and replace one in the amp. I don't know what I would do with my PRO3 (probably have to get a professional repair shop to do it if I could find one or send it back to ICOM) . . . I'm not technically inclined enough to take it apart and replace the relay in it. I somehow can't get my mind around the idea that full QSK in not

abusing the gear. Things break and wear out, but there seems to be no need to hasten the process by a factor of 15-20, if my theory is correct. Maybe it isn't, but I don't want to chance it.

Do I have this wrong? All modern gear says "supports full QSK." Does that mean it is no harder on the equipment than not using it? No one has ever answered this. (From the technical standpoint -- I'll concede crack CW OPS love it and are fast enough to break their sending as soon as the DX starts with someone else's call.)

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9561. Re: [DX-IS] I need to make an offering to the DX gods

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 14:06:09 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9558 Message: 9561

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 14:33:04 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9558 Message: 9562

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I have been through a couple of solar cycles, being first licensed in 1980. I don't remember a solar minimum lasting this long, though. Is this something unique or have other cycles had minimums this long? If it is unique, does anyone have any idea as to what is going on?

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9563. Re: [DX-IS] I need to make an offering to the DX gods

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 14:34:48 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9558 Message: 9563

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Date: 2009-04-15 14:37:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9558 Message: 9564

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Date: 2009-04-15 15:00:30 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9558 Message: 9565

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The rest of deep Asia is pretty difficult. JA's are on a different path and I've had no trouple working JA.

The Middle East also seems tricky here. Maybe it's because they are somewhat rare, but I have yet to work an A9, YA or EP. I've worked a couple 7O's but neither counted for DXCC. :-(

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Date: 2009-04-15 15:21:44 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9558 Message: 9566

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Two of my first 100 were KH7K (then just KH7) and KH4. Still need the KH7 on CW, though. I didn't realize how rare Kure was for some time. Another of my first 100 was Mali which was quite rare back then. I still need XU, XX9, 9N and S2, which all have ham populations.

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9567. Re: I need to make an offering to the DX gods

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-15 18:03:42 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9558 Message: 9567

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The solar cycle is only approximately periodic.

9568. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Sunspot periodicity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-16 00:31:17 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9558 Message: 9568

See

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Sunspot_Numbers.png>

and

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Sunspots_11000_years.svg>

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of
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Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2009 2:04 PM
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Yahoo! Groups Links

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9569. ARLD015 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-16 22:16:15 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3354 Message: 9569

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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, A6. In celebration of World Amateur Radio Day on April 18 members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society will be QRV as A60WARD. QSL via IZ8CLM.

BAHAMAS, C6. Operators AA4NN, W8GEX, N4AA and W8CAA are QRV as C6DX, C6AAA and C6AYL from Eleuthera Island, IOTA NA-001, until April 24. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL C6AAA via N4AA, and C6AYL and C6DX via W8GEX.

MOROCCO, CN. A large group of operators will be QRV as 5C2A, 5C2B, 5C2C, 5C2F, 5C2G, 5C2J, 5C2L, 5C2SG, 5C2Y and 5C2Z from Mogador Island, IOTA AF-065, from April 18 to 26. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via operators' instructions.

CEUTA AND MELILLA, EA9. Look for special event stations EE9IB, EE9RY and EE9CF to be QRV from Melilla from the Bonete Lighthouse, ARLHS CEU-011, on April 18 and 19. QSL EE9IB via EA9IB, EE9RY via EA9RY and EE9CF via EA9CF.

ITALY, I. Adriano, IT9CCB will be QRV as IO9ROTA from April 19 to May 19 in celebration of the 141st birthday of Paul Harris, the founder of the Rotary International Club. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 15 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

MONGOLIA, JT. Operators JH1AWN, JA7AGO, JA7LU and JA7ZP will be QRV as JT1AWN, JT1AGO, JT1LU and JT1ZP, respectively, from Ulaanbaatar from April 21 to 28. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL to home calls.

SVALBARD, JW. Francois, F8DVD will be QRV as JW/homecall from Spitsbergen, IOTA EU-026, from April 19 to 25. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

PUERTO RICO, KP4. A group of operators will be QRV as special event station WP4NPC in commemoration of World Amateur Radio Day. Activity will be mostly on 20 and 15 meters using SSB, various digital modes and possibly CW. QSL via WP4NPC.

NORWAY, LA. Members of the Radio Club of Gardermoen are QRV as LN2G until April 19 in conjunction with "Norwegian Hammeeting." Activity will be mostly on 40 and 20 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via LA2G.

BANGLADESH, S2. Ramon, DU1UGZ is QRV as S21UGZ from Dhaka City until June 20. He will be active on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and RTTY in his spare time. QSL to home call.

SEYCHELLES, S7. Davide, IZ3EFL is QRV as S79DF for about one year. He is currently active on 20 meters but hopes to be QRV on other bands as well. He may also try to activate Aldabra Island, IOTA AF-025. QSL via IV3TDM.

POLAND, SP. In celebration of World Amateur Radio Day, special event stations 3Z0WARD, 3Z2009WARD, HF2009WARD, HF84WARD, HF9WARD, SN0WARD, SN2009WARD, SP0WARD, SP2009WARD, SQ0WARD and SQ2009WARD are QRV until April 19. QSL all calls via SP2FAP.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Sharon, K7WZB and Garry, K9WZB will be QRV as ZF2ZB from Cayman Island, IOTA NA-016, from April 21 to May 6. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct via K9WZB.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party, World Amateur Radio Day, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Holyland DX Contest, TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest, ES Open HF Championship, Feld Hell Sprint, Michigan QSO Party, EU Spring SSB Sprint, EA-QRP CW Contest, Ontario QSO Party and the YU DX CW Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for April 20. The SKCC CW Sprint and 432 MHz Spring Sprint are scheduled for April 22. Please see April QST, page 84 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9570. [425ENG] 425 DX News #937

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-17 07:52:59 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9570 Message: 9570

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3D2 - Jan, OK2ZAW will be active from the Fiji Islands between 1 and 8 May. His itinerary is as follows:
1 May Viti Levu OC-016 3D2ZW/p
2-4 May Mamanuca Group OC-121 3D2ZW/p
4-8 May Yasawa Group OC-156 3D2ZW
8 May Viti Levu OC-016 3D2ZW/p
He will be running 100 watts into a vertical antenna and dipoles. QSL via OK2ZAW, direct or bureau.
8Q - Cliff, SV1JG will be active as 8Q7SV from the Maldives (AS-013) from 29 April to 5 May. He plans to operate mostly CW and digital modes, on all bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX SV1JG]
9A - Aniko/HA5TAA, Feri/HA5AZZ, Neno/9A5AN, Livio/9A3KS and Tom/9A2AA will be active from a number of Croatian islands for a few days starting on 18 April. Islands named are Krk (EU-136, IOCA CI-046) and Sv. Marko (EU-136, IOCA CI-117), but the team plans to visit and operate from several other nearby islands. [TNX 9A2AA]
C6 - K3IXD, K4QO, W2GJ and W3PP will be active from Crooked Island (NA-113), Bahamas on 23-27 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as C6APR; before and after the IOTA event C6APR will be on 80-10 metres CW and SSB. The team will sign C6AXD on RTTY and C6AQO on 6 metres (grid FL22). The calls are good for Bird Rock Lighthouse (ARLHS BAH-005). All QSLs via K3IXD. [TNX K3IXD]
CE0Z - CE6TBN, LA5FJA, LA6EIA, LA6FJA, LA7WCA, LA8BCA and RA0FU will be active as XR0ZN from Juan Fernandez (SA-005) from 24 November to 3 December, CQ WW CW Contest included. QSL route TBA. Preliminary information can be found at http://www.la6fja.eu/dx/XR0ZN/ [TNX NG3K]
CT - The Algarve S.T.A.R. DX Team (http://algarvedx.com) will be active as CS6A from the lighthouse Doca Olhao W. (ARLHS POR-129) on 18 April, from 7 to 13 UTC. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres with two stations. QSL via CT1GFK, direct or bureau. [TNX CT1END

DL - Helmut, DL7VOX will be active as DL7VOX/p from Usedom Island (EU-129) from 27 April to 16 May. He will operate holiday style mainly CW on 160-10 metres, with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via DL7VOX, direct or bureau. [TNX DL7VOX]
EA9 - Look for EE9IB (QSL via EA9IB), EE9RY (QSL via EA9RY) and EE9CF (QSL via EA9CF) to be active from Bonete Lighthouse (ARLHS CEU-011), Melilla on 18-19 April. [TNX The Daily DX]
GM - Charlie/MM0GNS, Willie/GM4ZNC and Rodger/GM3JOB will be active as MS0TJT/p from the Island of Coll, Inner Hebrides (EU-008) on 3-8 May. They hope to be QRV on 80-6 metres, and plan to operate mainly SSB, with a little CW and PSK. QSL via GM4ZNC. [TNX GM3JOB]
HB0 - Look for Kasimir, DL2SBY and Georg, DF1SR to be active from Liechtenstein from 24 April to 4 May. They will be signing HB0/DL2SBY on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY and HB0/DF1SR on 13 and 23cm via EME. [TNX DL2SBY]
I - Ezio/IT9OJW, Sebastiano/IT9ZIR, Dario/IT9ZZO, Vincenzo/IW9EJP, Filippo/IW9FRB, Giovanna/IW9GVP and Ferdinando/IW9HSK will be active as IG9/homecall from Linosa Island (AF-019, IIA AG-003) on 24-26 April. They plan to operate SSB, PSK and RTTY on 10-80 metres. QSL via home calls. They have a web page at www.iw9frb.it/linosa.htm [TNX IT9EJW]
I - Giordano/IK0XFD, Alberto/IK0ZCW, Andrea/IZ0EHO, Vincenzo/IZ0FKE, Alberto/IZ0FMA and Claudio/IZ0GKX will be active as ID9N from Vulcano Island (EU-017) on 25-30 April. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via IZ0GKN. Further information can be found at www.id9n.com [TNX IZ0EHO]
I - Claudio, IZ0KRC will b active as IC8/IZ0KRC from Ischia Island (EU-031) from 29 April to 4 May. He plans to operate SSB on 10, 15, 20 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX IK0YQJ]
JD1_oga- Koji, JI1LET will be active as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 29 April to 5 May. He plans to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 40-10 metres, and on 6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JI1LET]
JW - Francois, F8DVD will once again be active as JW/F8DVD from the Longyearbyen ARC on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026), Svalbard on 19-25 April. He plans to operate CW and SSB on all HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
OZ - Dominic/ON4AZP, Michel/ON4CAQ, Francois/ON6VP, Herman/ON7FH and Maurice/ON7KS will be active as OZ5K from Romo Island (EU-125) on 17-23 May. They will operate on 80-10 metres, as well as on 2m. QSL via ON4AMM, direct or bureau. The web pages for the activity are at http://www.on4dst.be/iota_eu125_1.html [TNX ON4CAQ]
PY - Nine operators (namely PY1ZV, PY1NB, PY1YB, PY1IBM, PY1KN, PY2WC, PY2NDX, PY4OG and PY4OY) will be active as PT1R from Ilha Rasa (SA-079, DIB RJ-07) on 1-4 May. They plan to be be QRV on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes with two stations, while another station will be active on 6 and 2 metres during the Araucaria VHF Contest (details at http://www.avhfc.com/). QSL via PY1NB, direct

or bureau. The web page for the operation is at
http://riodxgroup.dxwatch.com/rasa [TNX PY1NB]
S2 - Ramon, DU1UGZ will be active as S21UGZ from Dhaka, Bangladesh
until 20 June. He operates in his spare time using a low band
dipole. For the time being, he will focus on 40 and 80 metres SSB
and RTTY, but in May he should get a beam for 10, 12, 15, 17 and
20 metres and hopefully a linear amplifier as well. QSL via home
call. [TNX NG3K]
SM - Kjell, SM4DDS will be active as 7S5A from Boko Island (Stora Alo,
EU-177) on 17-19 April. He will operate CW and SSB on 10-80 metres
using a G5RV. QSL via SM4DDS, direct or buro. [TNX SM4DDS]
TI - TI7KK is the callsign to be used by Klaus/DK6AO, Gunter/TI7WGI,
Andy/DH8WR, Norbert/DL2RNS, Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM during
their 17-20 April IOTA activity from the Murcielago Islands
(NA-191) [425DXN 927]. They plan to operate around the clock on
160-10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DK6AO, direct or
bureau. The website for the expedition is at www.ti7.info. [TNX
DL5YWM]
TI - Look for Orrin, TI6/K9KEJ (QSL via EB7DX) and Don, TI6/W9YOR to be
active on 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB from Costa Rica from 28 April
to 1 May. [TNX K9KEJ]
TK - Manu, F4FLQ will operate holiday style as TK/F4FLQ from Corsica in
11-29 May. Plans are to concentrate on the digital modes and 30,
17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX F4FLQ]
TK - Gabriele, IZ5FDD and Alessandro, IW5ELA will be active as TK/
homecall from Corsica (EU-014) on 20-24 May. They plan to operate
SSB and CW on 40-10 metres, plus 2m. Their planned activity on
50 MHz [425DXN 935] has been cancelled as 6m are not allowed in
Corsica. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ5FDD]
V6 - Look for JA7HMZ (V63DX) and JH7IOS (V63CW) to be active on 40-6
metres from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 11-16 May. QSL via
home calls. [TNX NG3K]
VE - Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the George Massey tunnel, the
Delta Amateur Radio Club (www.deltaamateurradio.com) from Delta,
British Columbia will be active as CG7GMT from Deas Island (CisA
BC-045) on 23-24 May. Look for activity on 80 and 20 metres
between 17 and 1 UTC. QSL via VE7SUN. [TNX VE7HRA]
VE - Eight members of the "NA-128 Contest Group" (VA2RC, VA2ZO, VE2EDA,
VE2EBK, VE2FSK, VE2TKH, VE2MTK and VE2QRA) will be active as
CG200I from Ile Verte (NA-128) on 23-26 July, IOTA Contest
included. The special callsigns celebrates the 200th anniversary
of the lighthouse located on the island, and the group will
operate many stations from the lighthouse keeper's quarters. Look
for them on 160-6 metres all modes. QSL via VE2CQ, direct or
bureau. Further information can be found at www.qrz.com under
CG200I. [TNX VE2EBK]
VK - Nao, JK1FNL will be active as JK1FNL/VK4 from Hamilton Island
(OC-160) on 5-9 May. QSL via home call. [TNX JK1FNL]
W - Eight operators from QCWA Chapter 119 (K4CQW, K4MIL, K5VIP,
KE4AZL, KI4RXC, W4TVG, W4VIC and W8RJL) will be active as W4T from

Tangier Island (NA-083) on 23-26 July, IOTA Contest included. They will run three stations on 80-6 metres CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL via K5VIP. [TNX W4VIC]
XU - Wim, XU7TZG will be active again as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (Bamboo Island, AS-133) from 17 April until around 5 UTC on the 20th. He plans to operate SSB with some PSK31 on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via ON7PP. Log search and further information at www.xu7tzg.be [TNX K1XN]
YV - The Asociation de Radioaficionados de Venezuela will participate in the International Marconi Day (25 April) as 4M5M. Look for activity on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via W4SO (mail drop). [TNX YY5RNC]

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C91TX ---> New pictures and a Log Search web page for the recent Texas DX Society's operation from Mozambique can be found at http://www.tdxs.net/c91.html [TNX W9DX]

H44MS ---> Bernard, DL2GAC (H44MS) is back home. His activity from the Solomon Islands finished on 9 April, earlier than planned, because he could not extend is visa beyond three months. [TNX DL2GAC]

QSL GI5K & MI0LLL ---> With immediate effect, G3SWH is the new QSL manager for GI5K and MI0LLL. Phil will add a log search page for each callsign to his web site (www.g3swh.org.uk). He is also arranging for any unanswered, direct QSL requests to be forwarded to him and for the RSGB QSL bureau sub-manager to forward cards directly to him. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL KB5GL/4 ---> Silvano operated from IOTA group NA-213 on 26-28 March. He should like to remind island chasers that he QSLs direct (Silvano Amenta, 5028 Hearst Ave, Metairie, LA 70001, USA) provided that return postage is included (he says 1 USD or 1 IRC for the US, others 2 USD or 2 IRC)

SRT DX CONVENTION ---> The 6th International DX Convention organized by the Strange Radio Team (18 April) will be broadcast live on www.strangeradioteam.com and www.mogulus.com/idxclive starting at 12 UTC. [TNX IZ7AUH]

VK9GMW ---> George, AA7JV and Tomi, HA7RY went QRT from Mellish Reef at 4 UTC on 13 April, after fighting storms, strong winds and heavy rains over the last few days on the island. They made 20,058 QSOs (2,028 were on 160 metres). The Online QSL Request System (OQRS) has been activated for both direct and bureau cards (check http://www.vk9gmw.com for details). The ordinary QSL route is via HA7RY.

VK9LA ---> Band and mode statistics for the 22 March-3 April expedition to Lord Howe Island can be found at http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm. The most productive band was 40m (9111 QSOs), followed by 20m (6714 QSOs) and 30m (4458 QSOs). The grand total is 30,160 QSOs (18842 CW, 9261 SSB and 2057 RTTY).
A special piece of VK9LA memorabilia is being auctioned (see the website for the details). The money raised from the auction will be used to repair equipment that failed whilst the team was on the island. The closing date for placing your bid is 30 April.

+ CONDOLENCES + We are close in thoughts and prayers to Lucio Antonini, IK6SNR, whose daughters Genny (24 years old) and Giusy (22) lost their lives in the earthquake that struck L'Aquila on 6 April.

+ SILENT KEY + Philippe Lutty, LX2A reports the passing of his uncle and mentor Charly Hausemer, LX1AJ. The doyen of amateur radio operators in Luxembourg, Charly passed away on 7 April at 89 years of age. He had been licensed for more than 60 years and was a founding member of the Reseau Luxembourgeois des Amateurs d'Ondes Courtes.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3D2NB, 3D2OU, 3DA0VB, 3G1F, 3V8BB, 4K9W, 4O/K1ZZ, 4O3A, 5B/AJ2O, 5B4AII, 5H3EE, 5L2MS, 5N/LZ1QK, 5W0K, 5Z4/DL8NBE, 6W/DL2RMC, 6Y1LZ, 9H1LC, 9J2BO, 9J3A, 9M2AX, 9M2MRS, 9M6/N2BB, 9V1F1, 9V1RA, 9X0W, 9Y4D, A25/DL7DF, A25VB, A43DLH, A62ER/ND, A92GE, AH0F/KH2, C4N, C6AKQ, C91LW, C91VB, C98LW, CE1/K7CA, CM6RCR, CN2M, CO8LY, CW5W, D20VB, DU3NXE, E44M, E51SIX, E74AW, E74EBL, EA9PY, EF8M, EK3GM, EK6LP, ER0WW, ER4DX, ES8DH, ET3JA, EX2A, FH/G3SWH, FM5BH, FP/KV1J, FS5KA, FW5RE, GM7R, HC2/SM6FKF, HC2/SM7BUA, HD2M, HP1WW, HR9/IK2QPR (NA-057), HR9/K0UU (NA-057), HR9/WQ7R (NA-057), J20SE, J20VB, J39BS, J7N, J88XF, JA7GAX/6 (AS-047), JD1BMM, JT1CO, KL7RA, KP2/K3CT, KP4MS, L0W, LU2DVI/H, LY2ZZ, NA1SS, NH0AA/NH2, NI5DX/p (NA-143), OA4BQE, OA4TT, OA4WW, OX2A, P29NI (OC-181), P29NI (OC-283), P29VCX (OC-153), P29VCX (OC-284), P29VLR (OC-256), P40YL, PJ5NA, PX200JMU (SA-080), PY6KW, R35NP, RW0AJ, RW0CN, RW0CWA, RW3QC, S21DX (AS-127), S21RC/p (AS-127), ST2VB, SV9/DJ7RJ, SV9COL, T20RE, T27A, T27OU, T30XX, T31DX, T33ZZ, T88CD, T88CJ, T88WW, TF3GB, TI5N, TN5SN, TO3R, UA0CW, UA0SR, V25OP, V26G, V26MN, V47NT, V6C, V6P, V6T, V73M, V7XX, V85SS, VE0ICE (NA-047), VE0ICE/VE2, VE2XAA/2, VK9AA, VK9DWX, VP2ETN, VP2V/SP3IPB, VP2V/SP7VC, VP2VVA, VP8DLQ, VP9/W6PH, VQ9LA, VR2O/p (AS-006), VR2XMT, VU7SJ, XQ4CW, XR5L (SA-070), XV4BX (AS-128), XW1B, YB2UTX, YN4SU, YW1TI (SA-066), Z2/UA4WHX, Z30U, ZD8UW, ZK2DF, ZK3RE, ZL3IX, ZS1JX, ZS6BQI, 5B4XF, 5N/LZ1QK, 6Y5/W5ZL, 7P8BA, AH2R, E51QQQ, ES1RA, FG5LA, HK3JJH/HK0B, HP2/CX2AM, HS0ZEE, JW/SM0MDG, PY0S/PS7JN, V25WY, VP5/W5CW, VP6DX, ZS1JX.

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9572. ARLP016 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-17 18:03:31 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3412 Message: 9572

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP016
ARLP016 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP16
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 16 ARLP016
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 17, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP016
ARLP016 Propagation de K7RA

Still no sunspots, and again we saw a prediction for slightly higher solar flux slip away. If you go to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html and click on any forecast prior to April 14, you will see solar flux numbers at 72 predicted for the end of this month. But in the few days since then, any predicted values over 70 have vanished, including another set of slightly higher numbers in late May.

NASA had a recent release with new information about coronal mass ejections as observed by the STEREO mission. See it at http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2009/14apr_3dcme.htm.

Hank Pfizenmayer, K7HP of Phoenix, Arizona has been using beacons to let him know when bands are open, and he is discovering what others have reported, that when a band is quiet, this doesn't mean the openings are not there.

Hank wrote, "While the VK9GMW folks have been on, I have been checking the beacons on 17 and 15 meters and on 15 specifically, well over half the days between 2000z and 0300z I hear the ZL6B beacon - usually hear the KH6, sometimes the W6. This is with a KT34 at 42 feet in a noisy suburban location. Interesting I have not heard the VK beacon at all - about 1900 miles farther but essentially same beam heading Of course the LU and OA beacons are there almost every day even with the antenna on VK/ZL. Several days I can copy the ZL6B beacon at the 100 mW step."

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia had some thoughts to share with Mickey, K5ML, who had comments featured in last week's bulletin.

He writes, "I saw your comments in the ARRL prop bulletin and felt compelled to say few things about conditions now vs. the top of the cycle."

He continues, "Some parts of the world, mainly some days are much better than others as was the case this week on April 7th when Spain was worked on 17M at 2130z and 30M was wide open to EU, AF working 3B8MM, and the western Pacific at the same time allowing me to catch Mellish Reef for a new one on 30M."

He goes on to say, "SE Asia (even JAs are not easy from here near DC) are extremely difficult to work here at the bottom of the cycle especially mid-winter, because there is essentially no useable ionosphere around the north pole. Also, many ops are poorly equipped for 10 MHz and below with very limited antennas, but have a tribander for 10-20M. Some days are much better than others as was the case this week on April 7th when Spain was worked on 17M at 2130z and 30M was wide open to EU, AF working 3B8MM, and the western Pacific at the same time allowing me to catch Mellish Reef for a new one on 30M."

He ends with, "With your vertical and a good 10M opening, you will be amazed how strong long haul DX signals are and how easy they are to work. I was fairly new to DXing in the fall of 1978 and had just put up a 4 el Yagi for 10M at 45 ft and it was a real killer into everywhere from central Asia, to Europe, Africa and SA. RH8EAA in Turkmenistan was S9+ in Oct 78, day after day and I was able to call CQ and get many answers from UA9 and UL7 (now UN). During one CQWW CW contest, G4BUO called me running less than one milliwatt and I was able to copy him on the 2nd try! So, long story shortened it is a lot more fun with higher solar activity. 6 meters will be full of activity at the cycle peak, and I can't wait for the next one. In the meantime, I'm having fun chasing countries on 160 and 30 meters primarily and hunting counties as well."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for April 9 through 15 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 70.1, 69.4, 69.3, 69.3, 68.4, 69.4, and 69.4 with a mean of 69.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 12, 8, 9, 8, 4, 2 and 3 with a mean of 6.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 9, 6, 7, 4, 3, 1 and 2 with a mean of 4.6.

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9573. How bad can it get?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 14:22:37 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9573 Message: 9573

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In case anyone missed it for the past year, the propagation forecast for the flux is the same: 70 for the foreseeable future, occasionally skyrocketing to 71 or plunging to 69.

73, Paul VE1DX

9574. Re: [DX-IS] How bad can it get?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 15:00:49 UTC
From: mike giddings
Topic: 9573 Message: 9574

Hi Paul,

OMG !! HOW RIGHT YOU ARE ! Sitting in front of my radio on 20M right now.Propagation has been terrible.Europe is barely getting through to London never mind crossing the Atlantic. There has been a few exceptions, China, Cambodia but very weak signals. I have a very high noise level on 20M too to make matters worse. OMG, I just dont understand this minimum, we seem to have had three troughs but this is definately the worst.I only hope things will improve soon.

Going to cut my grass more productive than 20M....hi hi!

73 have a good weekend

Mike Giddings G3XLB

--- On Sat, 4/18/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] How bad can it get?
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Saturday, April 18, 2009, 10:22 AM

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9575. Re: How bad can it get?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 16:17:49 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9573 Message: 9575

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73
Dan

9576. Re: [DX-IS] Re: How bad can it get?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 18:01:10 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9573 Message: 9576

Guys,
Mowing the lawn doesn't help. Just got in from doing so. Bands still
bad.

Here is a quote from the July 2007 QST front cover:
"Welcome cycle 24".

It sure must have been a short cycle, I entirely missed it.

73 de Brian/K3KO

n3oxdan wrote:

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>days. Not only are the AS stations no longer being heard, but even
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9577. Re: [DX-IS] Re: How bad can it get?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 18:01:58 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9573 Message: 9577

At 01:17 PM 4/18/2009, you wrote:
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Congratulations on the new ones, Dan! The Pacific stuff is
especially nice. And anything over 100 on 160 shows you've put a lot
of time into it. DXing on 160 and 6 takes a person with a lot of
patience and knowledge of when and where things will be open.

Yes, the days of the polar path to Asia on 15 and even 10 seem
to be a distant memory. As dismal as it seems now, if this silly
cycle 24 ever does start up again, it won't take much to get things
rocking and rolling. I followed more than one cycle down and a flux
of 100 seems to be the switch that opens and closes propagation on
10M. Flux = 105 and 10 is open most of the day. Flux = 95 and 10M
is closed most of the day.

We don't need the flux to be 150-180 to have world wide
propagation on all the HF bands. That will help the 6M types, but
for the HF DXers, anything above 100 is good enough. Then other
factors (like the equinox enhancements we just went through, etc.)
seem to be more significant drivers once we get to that point.

There are all kinds of predictions out there, and personally I like the one that shows cycle 24 squashed down and drawn out a bit longer. I'd be really happy if it got to 120-130 maximum, and stayed up above 100 as long as possible. There are a lot of holes in everyone's check sheet on 15/12/10 (especially 12/10) that this would take care of. Anyhow, cross your fingers. It has to start up sooner or later!

My original post was basically just a comment on how quick we went from DX everywhere (on 20/30) to almost nothing. In 4-5 days it just went away. Good thing there are no major DXpeditions planned for the next couple of months.

73, Paul VE1DX

9578. Missing Digests

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 18:34:03 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 9578 Message: 9578

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I also didn't receive QRZ-DX this week, and my email to N4AA has gone unanswered. Carl is usually very prompt in answering his email. Did anyone receive the April 15 issue of QRZ-DX?

Thanks and 73,

John, K9MM

9579. Re: How bad can it get?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 19:34:16 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9573 Message: 9579

"My original post was basically just a comment on how quick we went from DX everywhere (on 20/30) to almost nothing. In 4-5 days it just went away."

Yeah ... did kind of go "poof"

9580. buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 23:05:20 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9580 Message: 9580

Anybody here who uses the W8 buro got a line on some cheap 6x4 envelopes like my sorter would like to use?

Can't see special ordering a box of 100 @ ~20.00 to use at very most maybe 6 or so a year. What are you using? or do you have some you would be willing to sell.

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Dale K8TS

Jackson, Michigan

"But where does the RF go?"

9581. Re: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 23:10:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9580 Message: 9581

Contact the League and tell them. As long as I could remember I could send the W6 buro money enuff for x amount of envelopes and postage...
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Saturday, April 18, 2009 4:05 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

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9582. Re: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 23:18:47 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9580 Message: 9582

The 1 bureau just takes MONEY on deposit and they provide the envelopes, postage, and let you know how much money you still have in your acct. I'll bet all the bureaus will do that. EASIER for them and you.

73 K1ER
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9583. Re: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 23:34:01 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9580 Message: 9583

Sri John, the W8 buro Dale was mentioning requires one to send envelopes unlike the W6 buro:
a.. The W6 QSL Bureau prefers to supply envelopes for you. Each envelope, including one first class stamp, is 70 cents each. You must send a self-sticking label with your call sign, name and address for each envelope ordered. The Bureau suggests you order a minimum of four (4) envelopes and no more than ten (10) at one time.
a.. If you normally receive many DX QSLs, please send additional funds to purchase stamps for additional postage.

The reason being uniformity. The W6 buro (when I was presorting) used pigeon hole boxes like at the post office and only a certain size envelope will fit in and some QSL cards are larger than a legal size envelope.

As postage is going up May 11 so most Buro's I would think want you to send in Forever stamps.

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9584. Re: [DX-IS] Missing Digests

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-18 23:53:12 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9578 Message: 9584

John,

I received my QRZ-DX? on schedule but I think I remember he may of had a server problem. Carl was to be going to C6 (operating as C6AAA) for a week or so. I normally provide him with a 20M PSK-31 QSN Report; he sent me an email reminding me not to send a report this week (for the April 22nd issue). Cut and paste below.....

"Please remember that I will be gone from Thursday, April 16 through Friday, April 24, getting home on Saturday, April 25th. Unless it's really necessary, don't send any email before the 24th to prevent overloading my in box. The next issue of QRZ DX will be # 16, dated April 29th.

I'm looking forward to hearing you from "the other side"as C 6 A A A for the next several days."

73,
Carl, N4AA

John, please send me a email (direct) if you still need a copy of this week's QRZ-DX?.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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Thanks and 73,

John, K9MM

9585. Re: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 00:01:35 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 9580 Message: 9585

The solution is obvious! Change to a "1" callsign! Or become a KH6, the bureau out here delivers your cards to a radio club meeting.

73 John K1ER
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9586. Re: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 01:53:25 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 9580 Message: 9586

Various bureaus work differently. Some bureaus will take anything; others only want specific types of envelopes; others want nothing but money, and they will provide stamps and labels.

I understand the rationale on the third method. #1 its efficient for the bureau to be able to adjust postage and envelopes based on the volume patterns of the users; #2 its better for the users as they aren't likely wasting postage when they decide to stick four Forever stamps on a single envelope, yet are lucky to get 20 cards a year; #3 it saves the bureau sorter the agony of having to decypher if the US flag stamp with the blue background is worth $0.39 or $0.41 or if the "markup stamp" is a $0.41 or $0.42 stamp. #4 the bureau can figure out which types of envelopes to obtain for bureau business (claps are now a no-no for bureau mailings unless the user wants the postage rate to double owing to the "non-machineable" rates that clasps and paper clips incur).

I also understand the desire to have uniformity in envelopes, although 5 x 7 envelopes are not easily obtainable and are significantly more expensive ($25.00 for 100) versus 6 x 9 envelopes. 5x7s also hold few cards than 6x9s given that you can place two stacks of standard size QSLs side by side in a 6x9 envelope.

73 Rich NN3W

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From: John Peters
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, April 18, 2009 7:18 PM
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9587. Re: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 04:19:45 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9580 Message: 9587

the "1" buro.....that would cause insanity for the sorter! My former call was "K9TTT" and now am K8TS. Inview of the fact that Dave (a mega-multi) K1TTT, well you figure out the mess it would cause the sorter!

Dale K8TS

BTW --tnx for all the pts from miqso (I know it's not dx....but hey)

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Peters" <petersj007@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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• The W6 QSL Bureau prefers to supply envelopes for you. Each envelope, including one first class stamp, is 70 cents each. You must send a self-sticking label with your call sign, name and address for each envelope ordered. The Bureau suggests you order a minimum of four (4) envelopes and no more than ten (10) at one time.
• If you normally receive many DX QSLs, please send additional funds to purchase stamps for additional postage.

The reason being uniformity. The W6 buro (when I was presorting) used pigeon hole boxes like at the post office and only a certain size envelope will fit in and some QSL cards are larger than a legal size envelope.

As postage is going up May 11 so most Buro's I would think want you to send in Forever stamps.

73 de Rene

----- Original Message -----

From: John Peters
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, April 18, 2009 4:18 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

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The 1 bureau just takes MONEY on deposit and they provide the envelopes, postage, and let you know how much money you still have in your acct. I'll bet all the bureaus will do that. EASIER for them and you.

73 K1ER

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From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Saturday, April 18, 2009 1:05 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] buro envelopes

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9588. Re: buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 13:21:12 UTC
From: tm303
Topic: 9580 Message: 9588

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9589. Re: [DX-IS] Re: buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 14:52:30 UTC
From: Jay Musikar
Topic: 9580 Message: 9589

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73,
Jay/AF2C

--- On Sun, 4/19/09, tm303 <tmartin@chartermi.net> wrote:
From: tm303 <tmartin@...>
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9590. Re: [DX-IS] Re: buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 15:03:31 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 9580 Message: 9590

I usually buy my envelopes off Ebay from closeout sales. Very inexpensive. They're typically standard 6x9s and they'll hold up to 24 or 25 cards (if you go over than, you run a risk of being categorized in the "flats" cateogory which nearly doubles the cost of the postage).

73 Rich NN3W

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From: Jay Musikar
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, April 19, 2009 10:52 AM
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9591. RE: [DX-IS] Re: buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 15:20:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9580 Message: 9591

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What is all this fuss?

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jay Musikar
Sent: Sunday, April 19, 2009 11:53 AM
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: buro envelopes

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9592. RE: [DX-IS] Re: buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 16:07:21 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9580 Message: 9592

At 12:20 PM 4/19/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

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9593. Test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 16:09:21 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 3549 Message: 9593

Test - pse ignore

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The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

9594. RE: [DX-IS] Re: buro envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 16:27:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9580 Message: 9594

Oh, I agree, Paul, LoTW has its place. Like you, I need another card from almost every country in Europe like I need another hole in my head. For that, LoTW will be fine for me when I get around to joining. But some of the cards produced today are magnificent compared to those cards we got (especially from the then Soviet Union) all those years ago.

I'm not decrying the value of LoTW. I'm simply stating my enjoyment of tangible confirmations.

As for the bureau comments I made, I don't see why "our" system can't be employed by all. But, to each his own.

And I still QSL 100% to anyone who wants one of mine.

73

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 17:11:01 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 9580 Message: 9595

??? I agree with the statements made by Paul, but would
like to add this.? LOTW is not only a reasonable means
to chase awards from ARRL, but it is also an archive of
log books.? If a Qsl Manager uploads the logs of their clients
(in due time) to LOTW, if something happens to the dx station
or the Qsl Manager, the logs are preserved.
??? The paper Qsl card is still and will forever be an important
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John K1XN

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9596. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #905

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 19:10:23 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9596 Message: 9596

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 12th-April, through Sunday, 19th-April there were 210 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9M, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2009 W0DXCC CONFERENCE. Make plans to attend the 2009 WØDXCC and Contest Central Conference, July 18th, in Rochester, Minnesota. It is a "FULL Day" dedicated to HF Contesting and DXing! There will be DX and Contest forums, vendors, QSL card checking and a DX Dinner Banquet. Guest speakers mentioned are: John/ON4UN (on Low Band DXing), Rich/N6BV (on HF antennas), Carl/K9LA (on Sunspots and propagation), Rob/NC0B (on HF receivers), Ward/N0AX on Contesting and DX Banquet speakers will feature Desecheo

DXpedition operators (including Glenn/W0GJ and Ralph/K0IR as speakers). For more details, please visit: http://www.rahrahrochester.com/events/2009_W0DXCC_and_Contest/index.aspx

5H, TANZANIA. Operators Hermann/DL2NUD and Joachim/DL9MS are planning to be active as 5H1HP and 5H1MS, respectively, from Zanzibar, between May 16th and June 2nd. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters, but an emphasis will be on VHF (EME/MS). Grid squares to be activated are: KI93RU and KI94RA.

8Q, MALDIVES. Hiroshi, 7M2VPR, is now active as 8Q7HN. Length of his operation is unknown at this time. He was spotted Sunday on 15 meters SSB -- between 0530-0800z on 21235 kHz and 1300-1330z on 21244 kHz. QSL via 7M2VPR.

8R, GUYANA. The 6 Meter Beacon Project, Inc., is happy to announce a HF-50 MHz DXpedition here between June 16th and July 6th. Antenna for 6 meters will be a 6M7JHV yagi at 45 ft. on the Atlantic Ocean pointed towards EU and NA, and using a 3CPX800A7 amp. Activity will be split between two teams: 11 days will be by Chris/W3CMP and Dave/N3DB, the other 11 days by Terry/K4RX and Ken/AC4TO. They hope to get some decent openings to, amongst other places, Northern EU, 5B/4X and W6/W7. They expect to have internet access most of the time. Operating frequencies and Web site will be announced at a later date.

AN8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Luis/EA8AY, Jeronimo/EA8NC, Pedro/EA8QP and Juan/EA8TT will use the special callsign AN8R during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via EA8AY. Visit the special AN8R Web page at: http://www.ea8ay.com/an8r_wpx/

AX, ANTARCTICA (Special Callsign). Bob, VK0BP, currently employed by the Australian Antarctic Division as a Communications Tech from Davis Base Station (WABA VK-03, WAP AUS-03, IOTA AN-016), Antarctica, will be using the special callsign AX0BP on April 25th, to celebrate ANZAC Day. ANZAC Day is a national public holiday to commemorated and honor the members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) who fought at Gallipoli in Turkey during World War I. This holiday is observed by Australia and New Zealand, as well as the Cook Islands, Niue, Samoa and Tonga. Bob can only use this callsign from midnight to midnight (local time -- Davis is +7 hrs UTC). However, Bob will not be able to operate the full 24 hours but will do his very best to operate as long as possible that day. Australian operators can only use the AX prefix just 3 times per year -- Australia Day (January 26th), ANZAC Day (April 25th) and World Telecommunications Day (May 17th). QSL via VK2CA, direct only (2 USDs and a SAE is preferred).

C6, BAHAMAS. Look for C6APR to be active again from the Crooked Island Lodge, Pittstown Point, Crooked Island (NA-113), Bahamas. Activity will take place between July 23-27th, and during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/High-Power/DXpediton entry. Operators mentioned are: Pete/W2GJ, Ed/K3IXD, Dallas/W3PP and Jim/K4QO. Operations before and after the contest by C6APR will be on 80-10 meters including

the 30/17/12 meter bands using CW and SSB. Also, look for C6AXD to be on RTTY and C6AQO on 6 meters (grid FL22). All three callsigns are good for Bird Rock Lighthouse (ARLHS BAH-005) as well as IOTA NA-113 and Grid Locater FL22tt. All QSLs go to K3IXD.

CQWW DX CONTEST BREAKS 10,000 LOG BARRIER! A press release (dated April 15th) from CQ Communications, Inc., states: "For the first time, more than 10,000 logs have been submitted for the CQ World Wide DX Contest, according to Contest Director Bob Cox, K3EST. In addition, Cox reports that the number of CW logs have exceeded the number of phone logs for the first time in more than 20 years.
According to Cox, there were a total of 5013 SSB logs and 5272 CW logs submitted for the 2008 running of the event, for a total of 10,285 logs. This is the first time that the CQWW -- already the world's most popular amateur radio contest -- has broken the 10,000 log mark. Of these, nearly 98% were submitted electronically.
It is also the first time since 1986 that more CW logs have been submitted than SSB logs. 'This is a clear indication,' says Cox, 'not only of the health of contesting and of CW, but of ham radio as a whole.' In addition, the logs contained the callsigns of more than 50,000 different amateur stations making at least one contest contact, indicating that many more stations participate in the CQWW Contest than submit logs.
SSB results of the 2008 CQWW Contest will be published in the August 2009 issue of 'CQ' magazine; CW results will appear in the September issue."

DAYTON TOP-BAND DINNER BANQUET FULLY BOOKED. George/K8GG and George/W8UVZ announced: "Despite the economic turn-down, the response for the 2009 Dayton Topband Dinner has been steady and growing. We are now fully booked with a long waiting list for this May. We are sorry to report we cannot handle any further reservations and have been turning away repeat attendees for over a week now. We will do it again in 2010, assuming the Dayton Hamvention(r) continues, so if you missed this year and want to attend next year, please mark you calendars to contact us in late February or early March next year. We will announce the details on The Topband Reflector, and various DX e-bulletins as we have on the past. Thanks for your understanding, and we hope to see you next year."

GD0, ISLE OF MAN (EU-116). Stewart, GM4AFF, will be active as GD0F during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/SSB/24-Hrs/ Island entry. QSL via M0CMK.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN (Update). Operators Kasimir/DL2SBY and his friend Georg/DF1SR will be active from here between April 24th and May 4th. Activity will be on HF bands (80-10m) using CW, SSB and RTTY. Kasimir informed OPDX that he has bought Spiderbeam for 10/12/15/17/20m which will improve his signal. Other equipment includes a TS2000, FT900AT, Ameritron AL811, HF9V vertical and a monoband vertical for 30/40m. Activity will also take place on 13cm and 23cm using EME. Equipment will be a FT726R, Dish 3, 7m, and 2 amplifier for both bands. Kasmir and Georg will use two separate callsigns for this operation. For the

HF bands, they will use HB0/DL2SBY and for the EME activity they will
sign HB0/DF1SR. QSL via DL2SBY, by the Bureau or direct.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Ronny, OT4R, will be active as HI7/OT4R from
Punta Cana between May 9-30th. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters SSB.
Suggested frequency for 20 meters maybe 14300 kHz. QSL via OT4R.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Operators Vincenzo/IW9EJP, Filippo/IW9FRB, Giovanna/IW9GVP (YL),
Ferdinando/IW9HSK, Ezio/IT9OJW, Sebastiano/IT9ZIR and Dario/
IT9ZZO will be active as IG9/homecalls from Linosa Island
(IIA AG-003, MIA MI-128) between April 24-26th. They plan
to operate on SSB, PSK and RTTY on the HF bands, 80-10 meters.
QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Visit
their Web page at: http://www.iw9frb.it/linosa.htm

AF-065. (Update) By the time you read this, 8 operators should be
active as 5C2J/p (possibly other callsigns) from Mogador
Island until April 26th. For details, visit their Web page
at: http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org
For suggested frequencies:
http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=57&Item
id=65
For questions and skeds, contact their pilot station:
http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=47&Item
id=62
Operating locations:
http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=58&Item
id=64
Remember to also look for operators to be active from Essaouira
and Marrakesh. For QSL info, please see their Web page or
refer to OPDX.903.

AS-077. (Special Event) Look for 8J6SL to be active from the Kumamoto
Museum between May 1st and October 31st, to celebrate the 100th
anniversary of Hisatsu (Railroad) Line (Steam Locomotive) on
the Island of Honshu (JIIA AS-077-001). Activity will be on
all bands and modes. Possibly 5 stations will be on the air.
QSL via the JARL Bureau.

AS-133. This was a late one to report, but hopefully you can get him
on the last date. Wim, XU7TZG, will be active as XU7KOH from
Koh Russei (aka Bamboo Island) again, between 0500z, Friday,
April 17th, and 0500z, Monday, April 20th. Activity will be
SSB only (and possibly PSK31). Suggested IOTA frequencies are:
3755, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950, 28460 and 28560 kHz.
QSL only direct with SAE and 2 USDs to the QSL Manager ON7PP:
Patrick PIESEN, Hermans-Lybaertstraat 35 b.1, 8301 KNOKKE-HEIST,
BELGIUM. Look for logs to be online after April 24th at:
http://www.xu7tzg.be

EU-017. (Update) Members of the Noantri DX & Contest Team will be active as ID9N from Vulcano Island (Eolian Group) (IIA ME-018, MIA MI-122, WLOTA 1001), April 25-30th. Look for activity on the HF bands, CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will have two high power stations from this dangerous outpost. During operations they will have a 6m beacon active from grid square JM78lj (ID9N/B 50.006 MHz). Operators mentioned are: Andy/ IZ0EHO, Vincenzo/IZ0FKE, Alberto/IZ0FMA, Claudio/IZ0GKX, GiorDano/IK0XFD and Alberto/IK0ZCW. QSL via IZ0GKN. Sked requests available at: id9n@...
An InterNet link will be available, so look for daily updates online (Log and Pictures) at: http://www.id9n.com

EU-123. Operators Colin/G3VCQ, Sharon/M3VCQ, Andy/M0GAV, Joanne/2E0JOX and Tim/2E0TJX will be active as MM3M from Ilse of Arran, Scotland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via G3VCQ. They will possibly be active as GS3RCM/p before and after contest. QSL OK via RSGB Bureau or direct.

EU-123. Operators Tom/MM0BHX, Gordon/MM0GPZ, Phil/GM0LIR, Iain/GM0OQV and John/GM0NBM will be active as GM0B from the Isle of Bute, Scotland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via MM0BHX.

EU-189. (Update) A Belgian team of five operators will attempt a landing on Rockall Island between April 30th and May 1st. They will be on the air with two stations using the callsign MM0RAI/p for about 48 hours. A report from the "Maciverblog" indicates that they are "hoping to achieve a world first by shooting a video on the rock, more than 240 miles west of mainland Scotland, and streaming it live on the internet on each of the three days they plan to spend there. A Scottish cameraman is also going to be in the landing party and, if conditions are good and the technology works, hopes are high of the first live TV news broadcast from the rock. Rockall, the summit of an ancient volcano, stands about 60 feet above the Atlantic. Landing on the rock is very difficult as it is steep even on its easiest side. The area is infamous for its high seas and very changeable weather throughout the year."
Read the complete blog by journalist Iain Maciver at:
http://maciverblog.co.uk/2009/04/15/belgian-hams-bid-to-broadcast-from-rockall/
Also, check-out the Rockall Web site for latest news and last minute updates at: http://www.rockall.be

NA-191. Operators Klaus/DK6AO, Gunter/TI7WGI, Andy/DH8WR (EA2CRX), Norbert/DL2RNS, Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM will be active as TI7KK from San Jose Island (Guanacaste Province), Costa Rica, until April 20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DK6AO, direct or by the bureau.
For updates and more info, please visit their Web page at:
http://ti7.info

SA-021. Members of the Radio Club Grupo DX Bahia Blanca will be active as L21D from Ariadna Island, located 70km south of Ingeniero White Harbour, in the natural reserve of Bahia Blanca, May 1-3rd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL as per operator's instructions.

K4, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Operators from ARES in the Summerville, SC, area (Dorchester County, Grid locater EM93), will activate the special callsign K4E during an ARES Earthquake Emergency Communication Awareness Exercise, April 21-22nd. When not passing event traffic, K4E will be available for QSOs on 80-15 meters, as well as 2 meter FM local QSOs. QSL via W4NSC. This training exercise is to demonstrate the cooperation needed between the firemen, policemen, hospital workers, hams, and other public service personnel throughout South Carolina in time of an emergency. South Carolina is prone to hurricanes, and it has been determined that a major earthquake occurring in the greater Charleston, SC, area would divide the area into 18 "islands" due to damage to infrastructure such as bridges and roads. Each of these "islands" is equipped with a structure containing various emergency supplies and Amateur radio equipment and antennas. Each POD (Points of Distribution) has a generator and is environmentally controlled. This exercise is a test of one of those "islands".

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
4S7NE QSL NOTE. Nelson, 4S7NE, states: "Please send GS (green stamps). It's very difficult to exchange IRCs here. If you are sending mail without registering, please secure the envelope well. (See QRZ.COM)"

NEW QSL ROUTE (GI5K and MI0LLL). Phil, G3SWH, announces that effective immediately, he has been appointed the QSL manager for GI5K and MI0LLL. Phil states, "I will shortly be adding a log search page for each callsign to my Web site <http://www.g3swh.org.uk/>. I am also arranging for any unanswered, direct QSL requests to be forwarded to me by Chris and for the RSGB QSL Bureau sub-manager to forward cards directly to me."

QSLS VIA LOTW: C91TX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2NB, 3D2OU, 4A7L, 5L2MS, 6Y5/W5ZL, AH2R, AH0F/KH2, C91LW, C98LW, CQ3T, E51QQQ, EK3GM, FH/G3SWH, FW5RE, HP2/CX2AM, HS0ZEE, J88XF, JT1BH, KH8Q, KP2/K3CT, OX2A, PY0S/PS7JN, SV9COL, T27A, T27OU, T47C, T88WW, TF/G3SXW, TG9AHM, TT8PK, TY6A, V73M, VK9DWX, VP2V/SP3IPB, VP5/W5CW, VP6DX, VP8DLQ, VP8YLE, VP8YLI, W3A, XW1B, YU1EXY, YW1TI, ZD8UW, ZF2AM, ZK3RE and ZS1JX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: ER1BG, ER1OI, ER1RR, ER1WK, ER10KDR, ER4DX, ER570C, ER7C and ER0ITU

S0, WESTERN SAHARA (Update). The Tifariti Gang, signing S04R, is now QRT as of 0500z, April 18th. Operation netted 37,005 QSOs (CW - 20,274, SSB - 14,342 and RTTY - 2,389). The S04R log is now available online at: http://www.dxfriends.com/s04r/log.php
QSL via EA5RM. For more information, please visit the S04R Web site at: http://www.dxfriends.com

S2, BANGLADESH. By the time you read this Ramon, DU1UGZ, is expected to be active as S21UGZ from Dhaka City until June 20th, depending on his work schedule. He will be using a low band dipole at first, so his emphasis will be on 80/40 meters SSB and RTTY. From May through June, he will be using a beam for 10, 12, 15, 17 and 20 meters. He hopes to have a linear in use starting in May as well. QSL via DU1UGZ.

SILENT KEY. Philippe, LX2A/LX7I, informs OPDX that Charly Hausemer, LX1AJ, from Differdange, Luxembourg (LX), became a "Silent Key" (SK) on April 7th, at the age of 89. He was the oldest ham in LX-land and was a licensed amateur for more than 60 years. He was a keen DXer and had contacted nearly all the DXCC entities on SSB. He was part of a group of hams who established amateur radio in Luxembourg, and also the "Reseau Luxembourgeois des Amateurs d'Ondes Courtes (RL) (in English, Luxembourg Amateur Radio Society). He was one of the first hams who got licensed. Philippe, LX2A, states, "He was my uncle and introduced me into amateur radio and always supported me in this great hobby. Putting up the contest station LX7I would never have been possible without his help. He was a great OM and I hope to be able to promote amateur radio in Luxembourg and worldwide like he has always done it." OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of LX1AJ.

SX5, DODECANESE (GIOTA Op). Members of the Dodecanese Radio Amateur Association (DRAA) will be active as SX5SYMI from Symi Island between July 31st and August 3rd. Activity is good for the GIOTA (Greek Island On The Air) as DKS 032 and also the IOTA as EU-001. QSL direct to SV5FRI.

TI6, COSTA RICA. Operators Orrin/K9KEJ and Don/W9YOR will be active as TI6/homecall between April 28th and May 1st. Activity will be SSB only on 40/20/17 meters. QSL via TI6/K9KEJ via EB7DX and TI6/W9YOR to his home callsign.

V63, MICRONESIA. Operators Shoji/JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Masayuki/JH7IOS (V63CW) will be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between May 11-16th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF. The VK9GMW DXpedition went QRT at 0400z on April 13th, making 20,058 QSOs, of which 2028 were on 160 meters. The team has arrived safely at the Australian mainland (Airlie Beach) on April 16th (0600z). QSL via HA7RY. Remember, the "Online QSL Request System" (OQRS) is available for both direct and Bureau cards on their Web page at: http://www.vk9gmw.com

YW0, AVES ISLAND. The 4M5DX Group, which was expecting to activate YW0A from Aves Island in March, is still waiting for a scheduled day by the Venezuelan Navy for transportation.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. This is per the ZS8T Web page <http://zs8t.net>: "ZS8T is now QRT. He leaves the island soon and is expected back in ZS mainland in the middle of May. QSLs will be uploaded to LoTW. Additionally, all QSLs which are sent to the manager will be answered.

Any questions regarding his operation from Marion Island should now be
directed only to ZS6GCM.

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9597. XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-19 23:59:34 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9597

Since this special event station is signing /2 from Quebec, does XO0ICE/2 count as XO0 or VE2 for WPX?

An inquiring mind needs to know.

73

Al, VE1AL

9598. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 00:14:43 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9598

...or XO2?

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Sunday, April 19, 2009 9:00 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Version: 8.5.287 / Virus Database: 270.12.0/2066 - Release Date: 04/18/09 09:55:00

9599. Re: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 01:21:45 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9597 Message: 9599

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Dale K8TS

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9600. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 01:50:10 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9600

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73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Sunday, April 19, 2009 10:22 PM
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9601. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 02:13:38 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9597 Message: 9601

At 10:50 PM 4/19/2009, you wrote:

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No idea what WPX would count it for.

73, Paul VE1DX

9602. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 02:26:46 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9597 Message: 9602

It looks like it would count for XO2, according to the rules from the CQ website:

C. In cases of portable operation in another country or call area, the
portable designator would then become the prefix. Example: WN5N/7
would count as WN7, J6/WN5N would count as J6, KH6/WN5N would
count as KH6, etc.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 4/19/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
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To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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9603. RE: [DX-IS] S04R in the log

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 05:23:45 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9542 Message: 9603

Hi Al,

S0 is a particularly nasty one from VK, especially when we are at best (@90 degrees) side on, to any main DX path for them.

I managed to get them on 30CW by chance but spent many hours on 20CW to no avail.

Still need S0 on SSB and RTTY. Will have to wait for the next team...

S0 is rare for us, yes.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Tuesday, 14 April 2009 7:47 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] S04R in the log

I sat for 3 minutes outside the edge of the pile-up and I'm pretty sure he
came back to me on 40 CW. I say pretty sure because there were at least two stations calling him on his frequency while I was working him. The timing was perfect and so I'm putting him in the log. Cheesh, you'd think
S0 was rare or something.

Calling within the confines of the pile-up was fruitless. I know, because
I did it for a long time and I simply don't have a big enough signal to compete. You do what you gotta do and I hope I can do that on 30 and 80 where I do need it.

73

Al, VE1AL

9604. RE: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 07:46:44 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9544 Message: 9604

Hey Mike,

With both hands full, how on earth do you log anyone?

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@...m] On Behalf Of
Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Sent: Wednesday, 15 April 2009 4:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] To QSK or not QSK - that is the question!

Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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> I posted this on an amp forum, and all I got were answers from
> contesters and such saying QSK was easier to operate, some saying
> they could not do without it. I agree it is better from a pure
> "working the pileup" point of view. However, it can't be good on the
> gear, can it?
>

I'm with you Paul. Now in my 52nd year of chasing DX, mostly on CW, I
don't use QSK, and want no part of it. I use my left hand to key the
xmtr with the hand Mic, and operate the keyer with my right hand.

73,
Mike, W5UC
"American by birth. Texan by the grace of God*
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9605. RE: [DX-IS] S04R in the log

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 20:49:54 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9542 Message: 9605

Hello Lance,

Congrats! If it was harder for you to work them than it was for me, I feel sorry for you but I'm glad you got them. I managed to work them on 30, 40 & 80 CW but didn't try for any SSB and am not on any digital modes. The easiest QSO was 80M (2nd call) but 30 & 40 were very rough. I never did hear them on 17.

I don't need Midway for a new one but I'll be in there and you'll have the table reversed, hi!

Enjoy your glory, mate.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lance Martin
Sent: Monday, April 20, 2009 2:24 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] S04R in the log

Hi Al,

S0 is a particularly nasty one from VK, especially when we are at best (@90 degrees) side on, to any main DX path for them.

I managed to get them on 30CW by chance but spent many hours on 20CW to no avail.

Still need S0 on SSB and RTTY. Will have to wait for the next team...

S0 is rare for us, yes.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Tuesday, 14 April 2009 7:47 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] S04R in the log

I sat for 3 minutes outside the edge of the pile-up and I'm pretty sure he came back to me on 40 CW. I say pretty sure because there were at least two stations calling him on his frequency while I was working him. The timing was perfect and so I'm putting him in the log. Cheesh, you'd think

S0 was rare or something.

Calling within the confines of the pile-up was fruitless. I know, because I did it for a long time and I simply don't have a big enough signal to compete. You do what you gotta do and I hope I can do that on 30 and 80 where I do need it.

73

Al, VE1AL

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9606. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 22:35:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9606

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9607. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 22:36:29 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9607

I believe you are correct, John.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Sunday, April 19, 2009 11:27 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

It looks like it would count for XO2, according to the rules from the CQ website:

C. In cases of portable operation in another country or call area, the

portable designator would then become the prefix. Example: WN5N/7

would count as WN7, J6/WN5N would count as J6, KH6/WN5N would

count as KH6, etc.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 4/19/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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9608. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 22:42:17 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9597 Message: 9608

Doesn't it stand for the Ice that the river is full of 360 days of the year ??

HI HI

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aleith@...
Date: Mon, 20 Apr 2009 19:35:53 -0300
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

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9609. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 23:14:35 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9609

You've reduced it by two days. You must believe in global warming.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Monday, April 20, 2009 7:42 PM
To: DX List - New
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9610. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 23:35:51 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9597 Message: 9610

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73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 4/20/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
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9611. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-20 23:43:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9611

Wanna bet?

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Monday, April 20, 2009 8:36 PM
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9612. 5B4OG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 00:02:01 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9612 Message: 9612

Just worked 5B4MF on 30 and my log shows that I already have three QSOs on 30 with 5B4OG. None of my cards to him were answered and I just tried to send an e-mail to the address listed in the Ham Call database. It was promptly rejected.

Does anyone have info on 5B4OG? Has anyone ever received a QSL from him? How did you get it?

73

Al, VE1AL

9613. 10.102????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 00:08:18 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9613 Message: 9613

For the second time in recent days, I am hearing a station on 10.102 sending five-letter-groups. I have never heard him identify. Anyone have an idea?

Whoever it is can send letters well but is not all that great on numbers. The signal was good for hours a few nights ago but conditions aren't as good tonight.

73

Al, VE1AL

9614. RE: [DX-IS] 5B4OG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 00:43:12 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9612 Message: 9614

Try his QSL Manager, 6V6GT.

HI HI

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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9615. RE: [DX-IS] 5B4OG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 01:09:11 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9612 Message: 9615

Yeah, he's the guy who replaced 5Y4GT. Used to hear him drifting around
the bands.

73

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9616. 5B4OG - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 01:21:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9616 Message: 9616

For anyone else who might have needed QSL info, I have discovered on QSLINFO.DE that 5B4OG became a silent key last year. I have not, however, found any QSL manager for him -- other than the ubiquitous 6V7GT suggested earlier.

73

Al, VE1AL

9617. RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 01:57:18 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9597 Message: 9617

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6. If you upgrade from general to extra, you get extra CW priviledges just by taking a written test that asks nothing about CW. Somehow extra electronics knowledge makes you a better CW operator.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 02:07:45 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9618

Points well taken, John. And no, I can't top that. Nor would I want to.

If I visit the US, I can operate almost everywhere I can now with Extra Class privileges. And I can even write the Extra exam and find a post office box so I can have a US call. That just makes so much sense...like all those "ferners" taking valuable US 1x2 calls so they can put them on their QSLs, or get permission to operate portable from exotic US islands.

Don't worry tho', I'm not gonna do anything until I can get K1AL, N1AL or W1AL and move to Arizona, next to Dick.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 03:31:49 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9613 Message: 9621

It's a spy numbers station. Not sure which one.

The Cuban spy numbers station transmits cut numbers on 10126 on some mornings.

See http://www.spynumbers.com

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On Mon, Apr 20, 2009 at 7:08 PM, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

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> For the second time in recent days, I am hearing a station on 10.102
> sending five-letter-groups. I have never heard him identify. Anyone have
> an idea?
>
> Whoever it is can send letters well but is not all that great on numbers.
> The signal was good for hours a few nights ago but conditions aren't as
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 04:18:38 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9597 Message: 9624

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aa5jg@yahoo.com
Date: Mon, 20 Apr 2009 21:00:14 -0700
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Have to know that for the only band that really counts (6m).

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 17:46:16 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9597 Message: 9625

Yeah! You sent me some photos of the "locals" under the door of your truck, if you remember :-)

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Date: 2009-04-21 17:47:35 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
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I remember from some innocuous source that you can be a trustee for only one club station. Is my memory correct or faulty?

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Topic: 9597 Message: 9628

I see from QRZ.COM that XO0ICE/2 is only doing LOTW,no paper QSLs. Guess it is no good for my WPX award. I did work them on 40m. Guess I need to find another XO2 station that does QSLing the right way.

73s John AA5JG

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Date: 2009-04-21 17:52:31 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9629 Message: 9629

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Date: 2009-04-21 19:22:15 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 9629 Message: 9630

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-21 19:29:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9629 Message: 9631

Although a dual peak is not that uncommon. It has happened for several recent cycles. I minimum this long is kind of unusual. Hope this isn't another Marauder minimum. That isn't supposed to happen until I retire!

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9633. ZL7T QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-22 02:22:48 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 9633 Message: 9633

Hi ALL
For those of you that fret and worry, the ZL7T cards have been ordered and I expect delivery in a few weeks from EU. The QSOs and envelopes have been processed and thanks to those who put a little extra in to cover our freight costs.

I am hoping to have the first cards in the mail in about 45 days if all goes well.

We are considering the idea of doing ZL7 Chatham Island again next year late February or early March with better antennas and enhanced operation on 160m and 80m and the WARC bands.

73 de Lee ZL2AL
And the ZL7T Team www.zl7t.com

9634. Re: [DX-IS] Sunspots (and lack of them)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-22 10:59:12 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9629 Message: 9634

John, you have TIM [The Inquiring Mind] of a natural physicist ... "Why does this happen/"

During the current SS Minimum, have you considered taking a post doctoral sabbatical to study and report upon the reason[s] for the lousy propagation, that way you can teach all of us 'WHAT HAPPENED and Why!" :-) Hopefully the current 66 - 70 SSN would be a little higher as you complete the study :-) ... I hope !

I've been licensed and active since 1955, I think :-(and I agree, this is a long one.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-22 13:16:09 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9597 Message: 9636

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Best regards,

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From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2009 1:50 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX

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73, Dick, W1KS

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9638. Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-23 10:49:14 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9597 Message: 9638

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Art - N4PJ

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9639. Re: V88

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-23 13:29:44 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 9597 Message: 9639

> In the last few days I've seen a number of V8 and V88 calls spotted. >Has there been a sudden licensing rush in Brunei?

Boy, I hope so... yesterday I heard V88HTL at ESP levels on 20CW, and that was the first time I have EVER heard anything out of V8.

That said, V88HTL is ex-V85TT, and I think he's been active for a long time.

HTL are his initials, so maybe it's just that they instated vanity callsigns in V8 :-) But you're right, there were three spotted yesterday morning.

I heard about 0.1 of them.

9640. ARLD016 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-23 22:22:56 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3410 Message: 9640

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MALDIVES, 8Q. Cliff, SV1JG will be QRV as 8Q7SV from April 29 to May 5. Activity will be on all HF bands using mostly CW with some digital modes. QSL to home call.

KUWAIT, 9K. Yaser, 9K2YM is QRV from Failaka Island, IOTA AS-118, and has been active on 40, 30, 20 and 15 meters using SSB and RTTY. His length of stay is unknown. QSL via EA5KB.

TONGA, A3. David, W6ZL will be QRV as A35KL from Vava'u, IOTA OC-064, from April 25 to May 6. Activity will be mostly on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call. In addition, Paul, A35RK will be joining David on April 25, but may not be active until May 6. He will be QRV as A35RK/p until June 1. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via W7TSQ.

BHUTAN, A5. Hisa, JA1DOT is QRV as A52DT until May 6. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

ENGLAND, G. Look for special event station GB6MD to be QRV on April 25 from Weston-super-Mare close by the Brean Down Peninsula in celebration of International Marconi Day. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via operator's instructions.

ISLE OF MAN, GD. Operators M0MJH, 2E0WMG, 2E0XIS and M0ZZO will be QRV as MD0MJH, 2D0WMG, 2D0XIS, MD0ZZO, respectively, and using the club calls GT3CO and GT7SRA from April 26 to May 1. Activity will be mainly on 80, 40 and 20 meters, and possibly 160 meters using SSB. QSL via operators' instructions.

SCOTLAND, GM. Jim, MM0BQI/p is QRV from Lunga Island, IOTA EU-108, until April 27. QSL to home call.

ITALY, I. Members of the Noantri DX and Contest Team will be QRV as ID9N from Vulcano Island, IOTA EU-017, from April 25 to 30. Activity will be on all HF bands, including 6 meters, with a beacon on 50006 kHz, using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via IZ0GKN.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Koji, JI1LET will be QRV as homecall/JD1 from April 29 to May 5. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

AUSTRIA, OE. Special event station OE100M will be QRV on April 25 in celebration of International Marconi Day. Activity will be on 160 and 80 meters. QSL via OE1WHC.

BRAZIL, PY. A group of operators from the Teresina DX Group will be QRV as ZW8BBC from Canarias Island, IOTA SA-072, in memory of Doctor Flavio Araujo, PS8BBC. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters, using CW, SSB and various digital modes. This includes activity on all the current active Satellites. QSL via PS8DX.

POLAND, SP. A group of operators will be QRV with special callsign 3Z0LH from Chelminek Island from April 30 to May 9. This includes activity from several Lighthouses. QSL via SP1TMN.

TURKEY, TA. Special event station TC57A is QRV until April 25 in commemoration of the battle of Gallipoli in the Dardanelles. QSL via TA1HZ.

COSTA RICA, TI. Operators K9KEJ and W9YOR will be QRV as TI6/homecalls from April 28 to May 1. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 17 meters using SSB. QSL TI6/K9KEJ via EB7DX and TI6/W9YOR to home call.

VANUATU, YJ. Kaku, JA6REX will be QRV as YJ0KS from Espiritu Santo, and Tanna Island, both IOTA OC-035, from April 28 to May 3, and then from May 5 to 7, respectively. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL to home call.

VENEZUELA, YV. Members of the Association de Radioaficionados de Venezuela will be QRV as 4M5M on April 25 in commemoration of International Marconi Day. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via W4SO.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The SP DX RTTY Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Helvetia Contest, QRP to the Field, International Marconi Day, Florida QSO Party and the Nebraska QSO Party are all on tap for this weekend. Please see April QST, page 84 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9641. RE: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 01:54:24 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9597 Message: 9641

Hi Art,

Congrats on the new one.

V8 used to be quite rare back in the 80s and when I got back on the air in 2005, I set out to get every V8 contact possible.

Since May 2005 I have had 52 QSOs with 16 different V8 ops, so not that rare anymore.

There is a rent-a-shack there now and lots of foreign ops. are going in.

It does help to be close and have an equatorial path, I guess it's the same deal with you and the Caribbean/South America hey?

DX has been flat here of late, still trying to get C3 on CW. Couldn't hear C31CT this morning on 40CW, oh well, one day.

I need ZF on SSB too and seeing I managed to snare KG4CN on SSB the other week, I reckon I may have a chance with these guys too, I have emailed them with the SP and LP beam headings for VK6, so that might help, hi hi.

GL with the DX!,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art Burke
Sent: Thursday, 23 April 2009 6:49 PM
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Subject: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

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9642. Same thing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 13:10:18 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9642 Message: 9642

Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 Apr 071
Predicted 24 Apr-26 Apr 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 23 Apr 070

Same as it was this time last year! Bands are particularly dismal today, presumably because of a slightly elevated GMF (string of K indices >2), and we are coming off the "enhancement" from the equinox. Uncharted solar territory.

How much of this can a DXer stand? We have a muted 20/30M; nothing on 17 and up, and static on 40/80/160. Arrgghhhh! I've even gone to 20M phone to check out interesting DX spots, and invariably someone is calling CQ on top of them.

73, Paul VE1DX

73, Paul VE1DX

9643. [425ENG] 425 DX News #938 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 15:07:07 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9643 Message: 9643

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9644. [425ENG] 425 DX News #938

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Topic: 9644 Message: 9644

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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A5 - Hisa, JA1DOT will be active as A52DT from Bhutan from 24 April to 6 May. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSl via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
CN - Darouf, CN8VO will be active as 5F1ROM from 26 April to 10 May for the FIA Touring Car Grand Prix that will be held in Marrakech on 1-3 May. QSL via EA7FTR. [TNX F8REF]
CY0 - The expedition to Sable Island (NA-063) [425DXN 925] is now scheduled to take place on 19-26 October. Look for N0TG/CY0, WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0 to be active on 160-10 metres CW, SSb and RTTY with three stations (one station will be operated during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest). QSL for all callsigns via N0TG. The website for the expedition is at http://www.cy0dxpedition.com/. On 30 April-2 May the team will conduct a "CY0 simulation test" from Core Banks (NA-067, see below).
DL - Look for Juergen, DL1IAI/p to be active from Borkum Island (EU-047) between 27 April and 18 May. He also plans to operate from DL0BRF, the club station on the lightvessel "Borkumriff", during that time frame. QSL via bureau. [TNX DXNL]
F - F4EKT, F5SL, F6GCP, F6GCT and F6ICX will be active as TM6KBK from 25 April to 10 May to celebrate the 40th anniversary of their radio club (F6KBK). Expect activity on all of the HF bands CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via F6GCP. [TNX F6GCP]
F - Johann, F4FEP will be active as F4FEP/p from Saint-Nicolas Island (EU-094) on 1 May (13-16 UTC) and again on 19 May (9-16 UTC). He plans to operate with 100 watts battery powered into a vertical antenna on the beach. Look for him on 20 metres SSB (+/- 14260 kHz). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

[TNX F4FEP]
G - On 7th May 1909 the Admiralty began a process that was to lead to the formation of the Fleet Air Arm. Celebrating the centenary year of Naval Aviation, the Royal Naval ARS (www.rnars.org.uk) will operate special event station GB100FAA on 1-15 and 19-21 May. Expect activity on 80-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX VA3RJ]
GD - Mark/M0MJH, Kevan/2E0WMG, Matt/2E0XIS and James/M0ZZO will be active from the Isle of Man (EU-116) from 26 April to 1 May. They will operate SSB on the HF bands (mainly 80, 40 and 20 metres) from most locations across the island, with the addition of VHF/UHF during SOTA activities. Look for them to sign MD0MJH, 2D0WMG, 2D0XIS and MD0ZZO, as well as GT3CO and GT7SRA. Updates will be posted to http://m0mjh.blogspot.com/ [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
I - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, ARI Frosinone (IQ0FN) will be active as IY0NGM between 25 April and 20 July. [TNX IZ0EWJ]
I - The 24-26 April activity form Linosa Island (AF-019) [425DXN 937] has been postponed and is now scheduled to take place on 1-3 May. IT9OJW, IT9ZIR, IT9ZZO, IW9EJP, IW9FRB, IW9GVP and IW9HSK plan to operate as IG9/homecall on 10-80 metres SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via home calls. [TNX IT9EJW]
I - Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the local ARI branch, special callsign II2ERBA will be aired on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes from Erba (Como) on 1-25 May. QSL via IQ2ER. [TNX IZ2DPX]
I - Members of ARI San Dona di Piave will be active as IL3T from Torcello Island (EU-131, IIA VE-011) between 1 and 31 May. QSL via IQ3SD, direct or bureau. Log search at http://www.arisandona.it/il3t.html [TNX I5JKI]
I - IW4BDG, IW4CEZ, IW4EKS, IW4ELT, IZ1JKW, IZ4FUA, IZ4IPI, IZ4IPU and IZ4OSA will operate special event station II4CRI from Piacenza on 2-8 May for the World Red Cross Day and to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Solferino, whose terrible aftermath (some 40,000 soldiers died or were wounded) eventually led to the establishment of the International Red Cross. QSL via IZ1JKW, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ1JKW]
LU - The Bahia Blanca DX Group will be active as L21D from Ariadne Island (SA-021) on 1-3 May. Seven operators (LU1EUU, LU4DBP, LU4DBT, LU4ETN, LU5DEM, LU7DSY and LU8DWR) will be active on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB, CW and PSK31. QSL via LU7DSY, direct or bureau. [TNX LU7DSY]
SP - Seven operators from Poland and Germany will be active as 3Z0LH from Chelminek Island (not IOTA) and several lighthouses from 30 April to 9 May. QSL via SP1TMN. [TNX The Daily DX]
UR - Commemorating the 64th anniversary of the end of World War II, UU2JQ, UU5DX and UU5WW will operate special event station EO64JM on 1-15 May. QSL via K2PF. [TNX K2PF]
VE - Steve, VE2TKH will be active as XO0ICE/2 from Quebec City (CQ Zone 5) until 3 May and again on 14-31 May to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the entry in service of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

QSL via LoTW only (paper QSLs will not be available). [TN The Daily DX]
W - N0TG, WA4DAN and AA4VK will be active from Core Banks (NA-067) from 23 UTC on 30 April through 15 UTC on 2 May. The island is similar in environment (terrain, sand, sea, remoteness, etc.) to Sable Island, and the purpose of the operation will be a "test" of seven potential antennas for use at CY0 in October. AA4VK will also test the feasibility of including operating FM satellites (SO-50, AO-51, and AO-27) in the CY0 operations. Frequencies and modes of operation from NA-067 will be posted to http://www.cy0dxpedition.com/.
W - The Fall River Amateur Radio Club will be active as W1ACT/p from Martha's Vineyard (NA-046) on 1-3 May, including the New England QSO Party. QSL via N1JOY. [TNX VA3RJ]
W - Randy, AJ4RW and a couple of other operators will be active for a few hours from Cumberland Island (NA-058) on 2 May. They plan to be QRV on 20 and 40 metres SSB from around 15 UTC until around 19 UTC. [TNX AJ4RW]
YJ - Kaku, JA6REX will be active as YJ0KS from Vanuatu between late April and early May. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-6 metres from Espiritu Santo (OC-035) on 28 April-3 May and from Tanna Island (OC-035) on 5-7 May. QSL via home call. [TNX JA6REX]

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A65 ---> The Daily DX reports that a few A65 callsigns have been issued to foreign residents in the United Arab Emirates (A61 is for UAE nationals, A62 for clubs and A60 for special event stations): G4BWP is A65BD (QSL via G5LP), G3XHZ is A65BE (QSL via G3XHZ), G4THN is A65BF, PA5M is A65BG (QSL via PA7FM), F8CUP is A65BH (QSL via F8CUP), F5LTB is A65BK (QSL via SM5DJZ).

HZ1FS/P ---> A photo gallery of the 19-26 March operation from Hibar Island (AS-192) can be found at http://www.laselki.net/vb/showthread.php?t=3680

MDXC DX CONVENTION ---> The 4th DX Convention organized by the Mediterraneo DX Club will take place on 23-24 May at the San Luca Hotel & Congress Centre, Battipaglia (Salerno). Details can be found at www.mdxc.org/meeting.asp

NEW IRCS ---> The new International Reply Coupons (the "Nairobi model", see www.dailydx.com/images/2008-08-08_irc.jpg) will go on sale on 1 July 2009, and are expected to remain valid until 31 December 2013. They will replace the current IRCs (see www.dailydx.com/images/irc2007.jpg), which must be redeemed before the end of the year, as they will expire on 31 December 2009.

QSL A61BK ---> Effective immediately, NI5DX is the QSL manager for Kahlid, A61BK. Kahlid has send his log file already, but there will be a delay in replying until the new cards arrive from the printer. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL HG1S ---> MTTOSZ Radio Club of Gyor ((http://www.mttosz.t-online.hu/) is receiving a large number of cards for QSOs made with HG1S that cannot be confirmed as they are not-in-logs. Since HG1S is a "direct only" station, you'd better check the on-line log and/or e-mail the Radio Club before running the risk of wasting your money. Also please note that local postage stamps cannot be used in Hungary! [TNX HA1DAE]

S04R ---> The expedition to Western Sahara went QRT around 5 UTC on 18 April, after five days and 37,005 QSOs (20274 CW, 14342 SSB and 2389 RTTY). The most productive bands were 20m (7650 QSOs), 17m (6914) and 30m (6389 QSOs); 1332 contacts were made on 160 metres. A log search can be found at http://www.dxfriends.com/s04r/index.php

USA POSTAL RATES ---> Effective 11 May, the postal rates in the US will increase. First-Class Mail for a letter up to one ounce (28.3 grams) will cost USD 0.44; First-Class Mail International for a letter up to one ounce to Canada will cost USD 0.75, to Mexico USD 0.79 and to all other countries USD 0.98.

VK9GMW: QSO DATA LOST ---> While on Mellish Reef, the VK9GMW team realized that there was "some issue" with the WriteLog file for the period between 20.20 UTC on 9 April and 09.20 UTC on the 10th. They hoped to fix it later, but unfortunately their "support team's efforts to recover the WriteLog QSO data have not produced results yet" and they are now "seeking help from WriteLog". In the meantime, please refrain from sending any QSLs or OQRS requests for any contact that took place during those 13 hours: "we apologize, understanding how this may disappoint those who have made the QSOs, but as long as we can not recover the data, we will not able to QSL these QSOs".

+ SILENT KEY + Franz Brechtken, DL3PS (HB9EHQ) died of heart attack on 10 April, at 45 years of age. He operated from many locations in the past, including TF/DL3PS from EU-071 and EU-168 (July-August 2008) and D44TXS (11-25 March 2009). A group of his friends will try to confirm the outstanding QSL requests, especially those for the most recent activity from Cape Verde.
Other recently reported Silent Keys include Robert J. Hajek, Sr. (K9LTN), David C. Zulawski (KA5TQF) and Jivanlal N. Adiecha (VU2JF).

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3W9HRN DL1HRN AO8DMR EA4URE KH6TE AI4U
4K5D K2PF AO9DMR EA4URE KH8/N9YU YT1AD
4K7Z UA3FDX C6AAA N4AA KL7Z W7IAN
4L1AN EA7FTR C6AYL W8GEX LM2T70Y LA2T
4L1MA ON4RU C6DX W8GEX LN2G LA2G
4L4WW EA7FTR C92IO ZS6HB LU8XW WD9EWK
4L8A K1BV CN22TMC EA7FTR LZ09BR LZ1KZA
4X0X 4Z5AX CN8YE EA7FTR MN0NID MI0SAI
5B4AIF EB7DX CS6A CT1GFK NP4A W3HNK
5C2A IK7JWX CU1CB EA5KB OD5/IZ3JHP IK3GES
5C2B IK7JWX CX/PY2TJ PT2OP ON175BR ON7BR
5C2C IK7JWX CX7CO WB3CDX ON4AZW ON7YB
5C2F IK7JWX EE9CF EA9CF P29ZAD NI5DX
5C2J IK7JWX EE9IB EA9IB PT2ZXR DJ0XR
5C2L IK7JWX EE9RY EA9RY PY0FF W9VA
5C2SG IK7JWX EG1IYA EA1GIB R150DMP RV9DC
5N/LZ1QK LZ1CL EG2IPY EA2RC R3K RN3DK
5N0OCH DL3OCH EG3ACM EA3EVL R4CG RK4CYW
5Z4ES K3IRV EH5SVF EA5URR RK1G RZ3LC
5Z4KI YO9AFH EX8AB RX3RC RO9O RZ9OO
6W1SE JR2KDN FM5FJ KU9C RW0A RA0ALM
6W1SJ E73Y FT5WO F4DYW S04R EA5RM
6W2SC HA3AUI GS3PYE/P G4HUN SI9AM SM3CVM
6W7RV F8CMT HC2SL EA5KB TA4ZT DK1AR
7Q7BP G3MRC HC7AE EA7FTR TC57A TA1HZ
7S5A SM4DDS HF110OSP SP9YST TI7KK DK6AO
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9K2YM/P EA5KB HP3AK W4JS TT8FC EA4AHK
9M2TI EA4ATI HR9/WQ7R AI4U TY5ZR IK2IQD
A43WARD A47RS IY1SP I1SAF UK8FF W3HNK
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AO3DMR EA4URE JT1AWN JH1AWN XW1B E21EIC
AO4DMR EA4URE JT1LU JA7LU YV5SSB IT9DAA
AO5DMR EA4URE JT1ZP JA7ZP Z30MCWG Z35M
AO5VAA EA5YU JY4NE K3IRV ZF2ZB K9WZB
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9645. Re: [DX-IS] Same thing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 15:31:17 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9642 Message: 9645

Paul;

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2009 9:10:18 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Same thing

Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 Apr 071
Predicted 24 Apr-26 Apr 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 23 Apr 070

Same as it was this time last year! Bands are particularly
dismal today, presumably because of a slightly elevated GMF (string
of K indices >2), and we are coming off the "enhancement" from the
equinox. Uncharted solar territory.

How much of this can a DXer stand? We have a muted 20/30M;
nothing on 17 and up, and static on 40/80/160. Arrgghhhh! I've even
gone to 20M phone to check out interesting DX spots, and invariably
someone is calling CQ on top of them.

73, Paul VE1DX

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9646. Re: [DX-IS] Same thing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 16:00:09 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9642 Message: 9646

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 16:12:32 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9642 Message: 9647

I do agree with the thoughts expressed here.....just another day in the life of a ham.....mowed the grass this morning, taking down outside xmas lites this afternoon....I can be sure I will not miss on the bands :-(

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9648. ARLP017 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 17:28:36 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3663 Message: 9648

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ARLP017 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP17
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 17 ARLP017
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 24, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP017
ARLP017 Propagation de K7RA

Teased again, on Wednesday, April 22 we saw sunspot 1015 fade away, just as it was about to slip over our Sun's western limb. It emerged only briefly, late on April 21, and by Thursday it had disappeared.

10.7 cm solar flux (2.8 GHz radio energy, measured in Penticton, British Columbia with a parabolic antenna that tracks the Sun) rose slightly with the sunspot appearance, to 71 and 71.1. Average solar flux for the week increased slightly over the previous week, from 69.3 to 70.2. Both planetary and mid-latitude average A index declined, from 6.6 to 5.1 and 4.6 to 3.9, respectively.

Sunspots have become so rare that many of us were happy to see anything at all, and of course a low geomagnetic index is welcome. One thing about this extended solar minimum: With solar wind declining and not much to upset our earth's magnetosphere, it is great for 160 meters.

Calvin Branch, KA1WOR of Hudson, Florida sent a link to an interesting BBC item about the extended solar minimum. You can read it at, http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/8008473.stm. Some interesting observations in the article include the assertion that the twentieth century saw high solar activity, and perhaps that is now quieting down. Many of us were hoping that the activity fifty years ago during Cycle 19 was normal, and had hoped that it might return, but that doesn't seem to be the case. Too bad, because most of us get to experience only a few solar cycles. I was licensed as a Novice when I was a pre-teen, so I've seen four complete cycles, and I will probably see five. But six, or seven? One can hope.

The BBC seems to do a good job of science reporting, but I'm still seeing lots of confusion about what the solar cycle is actually doing. Tonight I read a blog post making fun of climatologists which claimed the current solar minimum has been ongoing for nine

years now. Of course, this is nonsense. The average daily sunspot number for each year since 1999 is:

1999 146.3
2000 173
2001 170.3
2002 176.7
2003 109.2
2004 68.6
2005 48.9
2006 26.1
2007 12.8
2008 4.7

Those numbers were derived by adding up each year's daily sunspot data presented in this bulletin, then diving by 365, or 366 in the case of 2000, 2004 and 2008.

I queried the blogger for more info on his data, but haven't seen anything yet.

We are beginning to receive reports for the Spring sporadic-E season.

Mike Schaffer, KA3JAW in grid square EL87 (Tampa, Florida area) looks for Central American and Caribbean television signals, and on April 18 sent his first sporadic-E observation since February 22, when he last received a Guatemala station. At 2113z he copied WKAQ in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and 2145z he copied WIPM in Mayaguez.

He wrote, "The distance to both stations is 1,232 miles with a heading of 118 degrees from Tampa, Florida. I noticed on AccuWeather.com that a satellite that measures water vapor content had shown dry air over the Bahamas at 2145z. The half-way point was 616 miles, 45 miles east-northeast from Clarence Town, Bahamas, the same general area where there was dry air overhead. The event lasted a total of forty-five minutes before the plasma cloud drifted out-of-range with no further signals being detected."

On April 19 at 1146 and 1200z he picked up an unidentified station broadcasting music on channel 2, and on channel 3 the Mexican TV network Televisa.

He also wrote, "I believe that springtime Es has officially arrived. I say this because this is when Mexican, Central American, and South American stations are detected during the early morning hours at my location. During the winter months, it's the reverse, late afternoon or early evening hours."

Mike continues, "While I was recording various programming, the logo from El Super Canal, TGV, Guatemala City, Guatemala showed itself with a white number three at the top/right of the screen multiple

times. At 1300z (9:00 AM EDT) the last program that was seen before it vanished was a Spanish religious service."

Vince Varnas, W7FA of Aloha, Oregon reported lots of 10 meter activity on April 23 from 0100-0330z (April 22 his local time). At 0108z he worked LU7KAT, he thinks on trans-equatorial propagation and shortly after worked KH7XS in Hawaii, he believes on sporadic-E. He also worked New Mexico and Arizona on sporadic-E. At 0325z he worked ZL1BYZ, he thinks on F2 propagation. He was most surprised by the last contact, 7,000 miles at 8:25 PM his local time.

Charles Preston, KL7OA of Anchorage, Alaska sent along information on WSPRnet, the "Weak Signal Propagation Reporter Network." They have a web site at http://wsprnet.org/drupal/wsprnet/map. I don't know the details, but it appears to be an automated network that tells users what bands are open between a number of locations. On their interactive map, you can restrict the display by time or to a particular band.

Charles also mentioned using the network for comparing antenna performance. He has a paper on this at, http://tinyurl.com/cjphes.

Doug Wetzel, K7IP of Everett, Washington sent in a link (http://www.kg7hq.wetnet.net/node/55) to a page of propagation info that his friend KG7HQ maintains. The map shows overhead foF2 MUF based on real-time data from ionospheric sounders, or ionosondes. The data originates at http://www.ips.gov.au/, the Australian Space Weather Agency.

The outlook for the near term is more of the same, quiet conditions. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions for April 24-30. USAF and NOAA predict a nice quiet planetary A index of 5 until May 6-9, when the expect to see a planetary A index of 15, 8, 8, and 8.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for April 16 through 22 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 11 with a mean of 1.6. 10.7 cm flux was 69.9, 69.8, 69.9, 70.1,

69.8, 71, and 71.1 with a mean of 70.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 5, 8, 4, 4, 5 and 4 with a mean of 5.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 4, 8, 4, 3, 3 and 2 with a mean of 3.9.
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9649. Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 11:43:05 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9597 Message: 9649

Exactly right Lance. In 30+ years of hamming, I have a whopping total of three (3) calls in the log from Brunei! One on 20 CW, one on 40 CW and the one the other day on 20M SSB.

It's so frustrating sometimes to see posts of places like V8 and know they're heard much better from the west coast - 3,000 miles away from me!

And yes, with contest QSOs included, I have literally hundreds, perhaps thousands, of contacts with stuff in the Caribbean that is difficult for you. We are close enough to places like Jamaica, Cuba, Cayman Islands, etc., that 10M/12M is difficult because the signal goes right over us. Typically have to work them on back-scatter modes when that kind of prop is available.

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9650. Re: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 18:13:08 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9597 Message: 9650

Art makes a good point. Caribbean: yup - I need FJ for a new one.
Brunei - worked VS5 19 times and V8 2 times for a total of 21 contacts to Brunei but only on 10, 15, & 20m.
73 de Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2009 4:43 AM
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9651. Re: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 18:22:01 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9597 Message: 9651

Wow, what a coincidence! In 28 years of DXing, I have worked 3 V8 calls-on 10 SSB, 20 SSB, and 40CW! That is a kind of difficult path from the midwest as well, but probably not as bad as from the East Coast. I just have a little finger-gun station.

73s JOhn AA5JG

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From: Art Burke <aburkefl@comcast.net>
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 20:42:28 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9652

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BTW, all of my QSOs with V8 were on 20M only.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 21:48:28 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9597 Message: 9653

I heard that its better to be "lucky" rather than be "good". Isn't that the truth known only by the "Deserving"?

From the BLACK HOLE.

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Gary - AB9M

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 22:07:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9597 Message: 9654

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-24 23:16:55 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9597 Message: 9655

At 07:07 PM 4/24/2009, you wrote:

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Close. He can talk to the guys on CY9 with a normal voice, but needs a shout at the guys on FP. Actually FP, CY0 and CY9 are tough for us on anything above 40/30 because they're too close. 20/17/15/12 and 10 are back scatter only. For us the one shot QSOs from 160-6 are in the Caribbean.

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9656. RE: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-25 01:36:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9656

Let's put it this way, John...when I was at CY9DXX I could see FP on a clear day!

It is also possible to work all three of them from my QTH, albeit with difficulty, on 20 and above.

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9657. Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-25 11:25:42 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9597 Message: 9657

I have cards from both Vietnam and Brunei on 40M. In this day and age of on-line logs, I showed up in neither one, but sent the card anyway. I'm either obstinate or ......

Both came through with flying colors. There was a small group in Brunei some months ago and I worked a Frenchman on 40 CW. One of those "ESP" type of contacts where you pray you really heard what you think you heard! Almost exactly the same for the contact with Vietnam.

In both cases, a rotary dipole at 70 feet (the add-on part of a 4-el SteppIR) with approximately 1,000 watts.

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> And yes, with contest QSOs included, I have literally hundreds, perhaps

> thousands, of contacts with stuff in the Caribbean that is difficult for
> you. We are close enough to places like Jamaica, Cuba, Cayman Islands,
> etc., that 10M/12M is difficult because the signal goes right over us.
> Typically have to work them on back-scatter modes when that kind of prop is
> available.
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> Now that Marsha is retired, we spend a lot of time in the shack on a daily
> basis. Standing in the "blind" with gun ready can sometimes be very
> rewarding when chasing DX. The prop that isn't supposed to be there
> sometimes is!
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Art,
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> > Congrats on the new one.
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> > V8 used to be quite rare back in the 80s and when I got back on the
> > air in 2005, I set out to get every V8 contact possible.
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> > Since May 2005 I have had 52 QSOs with 16 different V8 ops, so not
> > that rare anymore.
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> > There is a rent-a-shack there now and lots of foreign ops. are going in.
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> > It does help to be close and have an equatorial path, I guess it's the
> > same deal with you and the Caribbean/South America hey?
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> > DX has been flat here of late, still trying to get C3 on CW. Couldn't
> > hear C31CT this morning on 40CW, oh well, one day.
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> > I need ZF on SSB too and seeing I managed to snare KG4CN on SSB the
> > other week, I reckon I may have a chance with these guys too, I have
> > emailed them with the SP and LP beam headings for VK6, so that might
> > help, hi hi.
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> > GL with the DX!,
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> > 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> > From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@...m] On Behalf
> > Of Art Burke
> > Sent: Thursday, 23 April 2009 6:49 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX
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> > It's going to be 88F in central Florida today. You can perspire in the
> > shower during the summer!
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> > On a positive note, Marsha and I both snared V8AQM on 20 SSB the other
> > morning. It was an odd time for good band condx from that part of the
> > world. Marsha nabbed it for a new one and it was a new one on phone
> > for me.
> >
> > In the last few days I've seen a number of V8 and V88 calls spotted.
> > Has there been a sudden licensing rush in Brunei? Judging by the info
> > at QRZ.COM, these guys are all "locals" and not, apparently, involved
> > in a dxpedition.
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
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> > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> , "bob"
> > <vk2sob@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Come and spend some time in Sydney Australia.
> > > Temps are between 60 and 70F at the moment.
> > > Winter is on the way.
> > >
> > > Bob
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> > > Icebergs been gone for about three weeks now. Ice out on the Lake

> > occurred last Saturday.
> > >
> > > We are about to get our first taste of the lousy weather that
> > continues for the next five months. The WX gessers are predicting 85 -
> > 90F for Boston this weekend ... I don't understand how anyone can
> > tolerate temps above 72F. Last weekend I had to turn on the A/C in the
> > car. The temp exceeded 62 F ... outrageous for this early in the season.
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> > > Seriously stated.
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> > > DD, W1MCE
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> > > BTW: When did you get your vanity callsign? W1KS :-)
> > >
> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > From: RICHARD SOLOMON
> > > To: DX List - New
> > > Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2009 1:50 PM
> > > Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XO0ICE/2 WPX
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> > > Have the icebergs left your driveway yet !!
> > >
> > > 73, Dick, W1KS
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.287 / Virus Database: 270.12.0/2066 - Release Date: 04/24/09
> 07:54:00
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9658. Russian Contest ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 05:19:39 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9658 Message: 9658

I just worked RW0IM/P on 20 and one spot I saw said RDA MG-04.

What does that mean ? Some contest or celebration ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9659. Re: [DX-IS] Russian Contest ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 10:05:27 UTC
From: Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
Topic: 9658 Message: 9659

Hello Dick,

RDA stands for Russian District Award Program.
MG-04 is the abbreviation for the district RW0IM/P is working in (Magadan oblast, Severo-Evensky Area).

More info about RDA You find at www.rdaward.org (http://www.rdaward.org).

73 & gl,

Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
dl6kva@...

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9660. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #906

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 16:19:04 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9660 Message: 9660

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 19th-April, through Sunday, 26th-April there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2009 W5DXCC DX DINNER/FORUMS AT HAM-COMM. The Lone Star DX Association (LSDXA) is pleased to sponsor the 2009 W5DXCC programs and DX Dinner in conjunction with Ham-Com on June 12-13th, in Plano, Texas. The DX Dinner will be Friday evening, June 12th, at the Plano Centre in the Windhaven Room. The evening will begin with a cash hospitality bar in the Plano Centre from 5:00 to 6:30 PM. Dinner activities will begin promptly at

6:30 PM. Dinner will be Char-Broil Prime Rib with salad, rolls, baked potato, seasoned vegetables, and cheesecake for desert. A vegetarian option will be available upon request. The DX dinner program will be the 2009 KP5 Desecheo DXpedition (www.kp5.us). On October 1, 2008, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) selected the KP1-5 Project team led by K4UEE and W0GJ to be the first USFWS-approved DXpedition to Desecheo Island in fifteen years. DXpedition co-leader Bob Allphin, K4UEE, will present what promises to be a very interesting program. Friday DX Dinner door prizes are: Yaesu FT-2000 Transceiver, Force 12 C-3S Yagi Antenna, Array Solutions AIM 4170 Antenna Analyzer and Begali Sculpture Paddle. Dinner ticket price is 40 USDs and can be ordered on the Ham-Com Web site, <http://www.hamcom.org> by clicking the "Admission" button. Because of the banquet room capacity, only 200 tickets are available. Tickets will be sold until all 200 are gone or June 1st, whichever comes first. Tickets can be picked up at the Lone Star DX Association booth. The Saturday, June 13th, W5DXCC programs presented in conjunction with Ham-Com include:
K5D Desecheo Round Table/Q&A by K5D operators K4UEE, K5AC, K5AND, & NA5U
VK9LA Lord Howe by W5SL
Cycle 24 and More by K9LA
How to DX on 6 Meters by K5AND
DXCC QSL card checking, including deleted and 160 meter cards will be offered on Friday and Saturday at the LSDXA booth. Please have all paperwork filled out before submitting cards for checking. Additional information is available on the LSDXA and Ham-Com Web sites at:
http://www.hamcom.org
http://www.dxer.org

2D/GT3/GT7/MD0, ISLE OF MAN (EU-116). By the time you read this, operators Mark/M0MJH (MD0MJH), Kevan/2E0WMG (2D0WMG), Matt/2E0XIS (2D0XIS) and James/M0ZZO (MD0ZZO) will be active until May 1st. Activity will be on SSB on the HF bands mainly on 80/40/20m, but there may be possible activity on the higher bands if conditions allow and 160m if space allows, as well as VHF/UHF. Also, look for GT3CO, the callsign of the Colchester Radio Amateurs Club (of which Kevan, Matt and James are members) and GT7SRA, the callsign of the Sudbury and District Radio Amateurs Clun (of which Mark is a member). Matt and James are SOTA enthusiasts and are planning to activate all five IOM SOTA Summits over two days on the 27th and 28th. They may be accompanied by Mark or Kevan on some or all of these summits. Look for updates and possibly further information on their activities on Mark's Blog page at: http://m0mjh.blogspot.com

4TH MDXC CONVENTION. The 4th Mediterraneo DX Club Convention will be held in Battipaglia (Salerno), Italy, May 23-24th. Complete details are available at: http://www.mdxc.org/meeting.asp

5F, MOROCCO (Special Event). It's the event of the year in Morocco, the "Race of Morocco", and Abder, CN8VO, is now operating with the special callsign 5F1ROM for the FIA Touring Car Grand Prix which will be held in Marrakech. Activity will last until May 10th. QSNs show he was on 40 and 20 meters SSB this past weekend. QSL via EA7FTR. Visit his Web page at:

http://www.cn8vo.com

5R8, MADAGASCAR. Wayne, W5KDJ, will be active as 5R8KD between July 1-15th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. Also on LoTW and eQSL.

6V, SENEGAL. Seb, F8IJV, informs OPDX that he will be on his honeymoon here between October 17th and November 1st. He plans to be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). He will try to operate before and after the contest as 6V7Q on 160-6 meters, mainly on SSB and the Digital modes. He will be operating from Jean-Francois, 6W7RV, QTH in La Somone. QSL via F8IJV. More details will be forthcoming.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA. It has been reported that Richard, PA0RRS, will be permanently moving to Penang Island (AS-015, WLOTA 2743), West Malaysia, on May 1st. He will be active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island, but initially only on 20 meters using a dipole. He prefers CW but will go on SSB if requested. QSL via 9M2MRS, by the 9M2 QSL Bureau or direct to: Richard Smeets, Reef Apartment Building, 54-7-12 Jalan Low Yat, 11100 Batu Ferringhi, Penang Island, Malaysia. QSLs sent "via PA0RRS" will still be possible, but you will have to be patient as Richard will only be back to the The Netherlands for a limited time each year.

8R, GUYANA (Update). The 6 Meter Beacon Project, Inc., (HF-50 MHz DX-pedition between June 16th and July 6th) now has a Web page online at:
http://6meterbeaconproject.org/8R2009.html
Watch for updates and operating frequencies to be posted.

A3, TONGA. David "Kawe" Lee, A35KL, will be active from Vava'u (OC-064), beginning April 25th through May 6th. His operation will be mainly CW, on 40-17 meters. QSL via W6ZL (w/SASE or IRC, or via LoTW). Paul, A35RK, will join Dave on the 25th, but will probably not begin his solo operation until after Dave leaves. Paul will be working the HF bands on CW and SSB, using a FT-450 and a G5RV until June 1st, and possibly a bit longer signing A35RK/p. QSL A35RK/p via W7TSQ or via LoTW.

A5, BHUTAN. Hisato, JA1DOT, is now active as A52DT until May 6th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSNs show most of his operations have been on 30 and 80 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign. Updates will be posted on the Nippon DX Association (NDXA) Web site at:
http://www.ndxa.net

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Philippe, F5LTB/9Q1TB, is expected to pick up his new license sometime this week and will now be active as A65BK. Activity will be mainly on SSB. His QSL Manager will continue to be SM5DJZ, direct ONLY (eQSL are welcome for eDX100, eWAS and eZ40).
More details are forthcoming.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Eric, SM1TDE, is planning an operation to take place between December 10-31st. More details should be forthcoming.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). The CY0 Team has re-adjusted their arrival date on Sable Island so the CY0 Team can provide a CY0 country multiplier to contesters during the CQWW DX SSB Contest weekend (October 24-25th). The team plans to operate only one station in the contest and also continue to maintain CW and 30/17/12m operations for those DXers who are not in the contest. The complete operation will take place between October 19-26th, and operators will sign homecall/CY0. Operators mentioned are: Murray/WA4DAN, Randy/N0TG and Ron/AA4VK. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns. Visit their Web site periodically for continuing updated details and information (see below).
ADDED NOTE BY RANDY, N0TG, (CY0-Preparation): A Simulation Test by N0TG, WA4DAN and AA4VK will be performed from IOTA NA-67, on the Outer Banks of North Carolina on an island that is similar in environment (terrain, sand, sea, remoteness, etc.) to Sable Island during the period 2300Z on April 30th through 1830Z on May 2nd. The purpose of the operation will be a "test" of potential antennas for use at CY0 this coming October. Testing of antenna layout will be conducted to assess inter-station interference. DXers from the U.S. and other countries are welcome to call in and participate in the CY0 simulation "test". The DXPedition for Sable Island is scheduled for mid-October. All Dxpedition details and updates are available on the Web site: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

DF0, GERMANY (Green Days/WFF Op). Operators Gabi/DF9TM, Frank/DL2SWW and Ric/DL2VFR will be active as DF0WFF during the "Green Days" weekend, June 13-14th. Activity is good for the WFF Award (new DLFF-024). QSL via DL2VFR (also via DL Bureau). For information about German WFF activities, please visit: http://www.wff-dl.de --or-- http://www.wff44.de

EO64, UKRAINE (Special Event). Operators Rustam/UU2JQ, Eugene/UU5DX and Sergey/UU5WW will activate special event station EO64JM from May 1-15th. The operation will commemorate the 64th anniversary of victory in the Great Patriotic War. QSL via K2PF.

F, FRANCE (LH Activity). Jean-Loup, F8DYR, will spend his holiday week activating Eckmuhl lighthouse (ARLHS FRA-256, Grid IN77tt) in south Brittany between April 27th and May 2nd. Activity will be on 6 and 2 meters, with a low power portable station, between 0600-0800z every morning and possibly other times. QSL via his home callsign.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS. The "DX World of Ham Radio" Web page is reporting that Mike/KM9D (H44MY) and Jan/KF4TUG (H44TO) are once again in the Solomon Islands staying in Honiara. Mike has indicated that there are no plans to be immediately active. Any activity may be announced at short notice.

II2, ITALY (Special Event). Members of the "Sezione di ERBA" ARI Radio Club will activate the special callsign II2ERBA between May 1-24th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is IQ2ER. NO E-QSL.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. (POSTPONED) Operators Vincenzo/IW9EJP, Filippo/IW9FRB, Giovanna/IW9GVP (YL), Ferdinando/IW9HSK, Ezio/IT9OJW, Sebastiano/IT9ZIR

and Dario/IT9ZZO have postponed their activity as IG9/homecalls from Linosa Island (IIA AG-003, MIA MI-128) until May 1-3rd (not April 24-26th as first announced). They plan to operate on SSB, PSK and RTTY on the HF bands, 80-10 meters. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Visit their Web page at: http://www.iw9frb.it/linosa.htm

AS-077. Look for 8J6DON to be active from Kyushu Island during the upcoming Hakata "Dontaku" Port Festival between April 29th and May 5th. QSL via the JARL Bureau.

AS-192. (Pictures of recent activity) Suli, 7Z1SJ, one of the operators from the recent (March) HZ1FS/P operation to Hibar Island in the Red Sea Coast South (Jizan Province) Group, provides OPDX readers with a URL link to see many pictures of this activity at: http://www.laselki.net/vb/showthread.php?t=3680
Remember to QSL via EA7FTR.

EU-008. Operators Charlie/MM0GNS, Willie/GM4ZNC and Rodger/GM3JOB will be active as MS0TJT/p from the Island of Coll, Inner Hebrides, May 3-8th. Activity is planned for 80-6 meters, mainly SSB, but with a little CW and PSK. QSL via GM4ZNC.

EU-031. Claudio, IZ0KRC, will be active as IC8/IZ0KRC from Ischia Island (IIA NA-001, MIA MI-042, WLOTA 0689) between April 29th and May 4th. Activity will be SSB only on 40/20/15/10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, Bureau is preferred.

EU-047. Juergen, DL1IAI, will be active as DL1IAI/p from Borkum Island (N-001 for the German Islands Award) in the Niedersachsen State Group between April 27th and May 18th. He will also try to activate the club station DL0BRF on the lightship "Borkumriff" on SSB and maybe also PSK31/RTTY on 80-2 meters during this time. QSL ONLY via the bureau (PLEASE). Also, visit: http://www.dl1iai.de

EU-065. Member of the Charente DX Group will activate TM0M from Molene Island (DIFM AT002 - French Island Award), May 23-30th. Four stations will be on air 24/7, with operations on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Operators mentioned are: Joel/F1BLQ, Jean/F4EEK, Michel/F5EOT, Eric/F5LOW, Sibard/F5NBQ, Laurent/F5MNK, Bertrand/F6HKA and Leon/ON4ZD. QSL via F6ANA, direct or by the bureau.

EU-094. Johann, F4FEP, will be active as F4FEP/p from the beach of Saint-Nicolas Island (DIFM AT-010) possibly 1 to 3 days during the month of May, depending on the weather and a boat. He will be active on May 1st (1400-1700z) and May 19th (1000-1700z). Watch 14260 kHz (+/- QRM); he will be use an ICOM-706 w/100 watts, battery power and a G5RV antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-125. Operators Gabi/DF9TM, Frank/DL2SWW and Ric/DL2VFR will be active as OZ0FR from Romo Island (NS-001 for the Danish Islands Award) between July 23-26th, including the IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Activity will be high power on CW and SSB into a yagi antenna for 20-10 meters, a SteppIR vertical (BigIR) for 40-10 meters and dipoles for 80 and 40 meters. This activity will also count for the World Flora and Fauna Award (WFF - for OZFF-004). QSL OZ0FR via DL2VFR (also via the DL Bureau, do not send QSLs via OZ Bureau). More details will be forth-coming on: http://www.iota-expedition.de

EU-129. Helmut, DL7VOX, will once again be active as DL7VOX/p from Usedom Island (O-013 for the German Islands Award) between April 27 and May 16th. Activity will probably be CW on 160-10 meters.QSL via his homecall, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-178. Uwe, DL3BQA, will be active as ES8/DL3BQA from Kihnu Island, Estonia, between June 15-22nd. Activity will be holiday style on 80-6 meters, mostly on SSB and possibly some RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau or direct.

EU-189. Just a reminder that a Belgian team of five operators will try to land and activate Rockall Island between April 30th and May 1st. Operation will depend on the weather and sea conditions. The team will have two stations on the air using the callsign MM0RAI/p. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via ON4BR, direct or by the Bureau. Please visit their Web site for latest news and updates at: http://www.rockall.be

SA-021. (Update) Members of the Radio Club Grupo DX Bahia Blanca will be active as L21D from Ariadna Island, located 70km south of Ingeniero White Harbour, in the natural reserve of Bahia Blanca, between 0000z, May 1st, and 1800z, May 3rd. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. Operators mentioned are: Carlos/LU7DSY, Osmar/LU8DWR, Carlos/LU4ETN, Gerardo/LU1EUU, Enrique/LU5DEM, Nestor/LU4DBP and Willy/LU4DBT. QSL via LU7DSY, by the bureau or direct to: P.O. Box 709 (8000) Bahia Blanca, ARGENTINA. Visit the group's Web page at: http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar

SA-072. (Update) Members of the Teresina DX Group are preparing a DX-pedition to the Canary Island (DIB MA-05, DFB MA-11) on the coast of Piaui, Brazil, between April 29th and May 3rd. Callsign will be ZW8BBC. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY, including 6 meters, 2 meters (SSB/FM) and the satellites (SSB/FM). Satellites mentioned are: AO-7 (A and B), FO-29, AO-51, VO-52, SO-50 and ISS in repeater mode, if activated. QSL via PS8DX (QRZ.com address): Operators mentioned are: Ray/PS8BBC, Junior/PS8DX, Jesus/PS8ET, Chicao/ PS8FSM, Milton/PS8HF, Joca/PS8JN, Nelson/PS8NF, Joao/PS8PY, Piraja/PS8RF, Dalton/PS8TV and YL Milena/PS8ML. Sugguested frequencies are:

CW - 1830, 3530, 7030, 10114, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040
SSB - 1970, 3765, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460
RTTY - 3577, 7037, 10127, 14080, 18101, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - CW/50.107 and SSB/50.127 MHz

A web page is now active for this operation at:
http://zw8bbc.blogspot.com/

IOTA SPECIAL NOTES:
* IOTA Contest 2008 Credits: The RSGB are pleased to announce that they can now accept QSOs made in the 2008 IOTA contest for credit without QSL Cards.
* Interruption of service from RSGB HQ: The RSGB regrets that as the result of the sudden resignation of the IOTA Coordinator at HQ, there will be an interruption in its service to the IOTA community pending the filling of the post. This means that there will be a delay, possibly as long as a month, in the issue of certificates, plaques and trophies and in the handling of emails addressed to: iota.hq@...
A notice will be posted when normal service resumes.
* NEW IOTA Directory available: Now celebrating 45 years of Island collecting -- The "IOTA Directory" is the essential guide to partici-pating in the Islands on the Air (IOTA) award program. For details on how to get one:
http://www.rsgbshop.org/acatalog/Online_Catalogue_IOTA_42.html

IRC NEWS. Just a reminder for those who like to stockpile International Reply Coupons (IRCs)-- the current IRC will expire at the end of year. Unlike the old style coupons, the current types all have an expiry date, giving them a maximum life of 3 years. If you purchased a current IRC today, they will still expire on December 31, 2009. Ken, ZL2HU, advises us on the following information from International Postal Union in Geneva: "The current issue (Beijing 2) IRC may be exchanged up to 31 December 2009 (date printed on coupon). In principle, Beijing 2 coupons will no longer be sold from 31 August 2009. The new international reply coupon (Nairobi model) is due to go on sale from 1 July 2009, and will be valid for exchange until 31 December 2013." Ken states, "So make sure you aren't holding any of the Beijing 2 coupons at the end of this year."
To see what the new IRC looks like, go to:
http://www.upu.int/news_centre/2008/en/2008-08-08_irc.shtml

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JI1LET, by the JARL Bureau or direct.

JW, SVALARD. Operators Jan/OK1JK, Jiri/OK1JST, Pavel/OK1IPS and Jiri/K1IEC will be on a Czech Polar DXpedition to Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125), June 5-15th. Look for them to sign JW/homecall and be active on all HF bands using CW, RTTY, PSK and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns. More information can be found on their Web site at:
http://jan.kepic.cz/view.php?cisloclanku=2009030003

LN3, NORWAY. Members of the Vestfold Contest Club (LA3Z) of Stavern will be active as LN3Z during the CQ World Wide WPX CW Contest (May 30-3st), as a Milti-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Svein/LA3BO, Harald/LA5UF, Paul/LA6YEA, Jon/LA8HGA and Gaute/LA9TJA. QSL via LA9VDA, direct (see details on QRZ.com) or by the bureau. Bureau QSL cards can also be requested by E-mail to: la9vda2003-at-yahoo.no
Visit the club's Web page at: http://www.la3z.com

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (by Al Burnham, K6RIM, NCDXF Director). At its Board of Directors meeting on April 17, 2009, in Visalia, CA, the Northern California DX Foundation elected Bruce Butler, W6OSP, as President and Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, as Vice President. Outgoing President Len Geraldi, K6ANP, and Vice President Al Burnham, K6RIM, remain on the board as Directors. Information pertaining to the Northern California DX Foundation is available at: http://www.ncdxf.org

NEW CONTEST WEB PAGE. Pete, N4ZR, announced that "The Contesting Compendium is up and running at: http://wiki.contesting.com
With the help of KM3T, K5TR, K5ZD and N5KO, the objective of this Web page is "to make this into a one-stop source for information on contesting, and to ensure that all the good stuff that is now scattered across the Internet doesn't succumb to the ravages of time, hard drive failures, or other accidents of history." Pete states he is looking for contributors/authors to contribute material and to keep the Web page up to date. Check it out!

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
4M5M via W4SO. Members of the Association of Radioamateurs of Venezuela activated a special event station for the International Marconi Day on April 25th. W4SO address is: Scott Cronin, 5020 Pierce ST., Hollywood, FL 33021.

QSL AX6JB via M0URX. Special prefix for ANZAC Day. Operator was John, VK6JB.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Buzz, NI5DX, reports that, effective immediately, he is the QSL Manager for Kahlid, A61BK. Kahlid has already sent his log file to Buzz. QSL cards will be ordered, so there will be a delay in replying to cards until the new cards arrive from the printer. PLEASE NOTE: Phil, ex-9Q1TB, has just been issued the callsign A65BK. To avoid confusion, those requesting cards for either station should make certain they send their request to the proper QSL Manager.

GB8GM via M0DOL. Special event station for the International Marconi Day on April 25th. M0DOL's address is: Chris Darlington, 24 Westridge, Northampton, England, U.K.

CHECK YOUR HG1S QSO. It has been reported that the MTTOSZ Radio Club of Gyor is receiving a large number of cards for QSOs made with HG1S that cannot be confirmed as they are "not-in-logs". Since HG1S is a "direct only" station, you'd better check the online log and/or E-mail the Radio Club before running the risk of wasting your money. Also, please note that local postage stamps cannot be used in Hungary! To check your QSO, go to: http://www.mttosz.t-online.hu/

KL7J - NO BUREAU QSLS. Fred, K3ZO, from the Third Call Area Incoming QSL Bureau, reports: "This Bureau continues to receive cards directed to KL7J via his QSL Manager, N3SL. Please note that KL7J has asked his manager not to accept cards coming in via Bureau. Any such cards received by this bureau are passed on to an elementary school teacher we know who uses the cards as an instructional tool with her kids."

ZL7T QSL STATUS. Lee, ZL2AL, reports that the ZL7T cards have been ordered, and he expects delivery in a few weeks from Europe. The QSOs and envelopes have been processed, and he thanks those who put a little extra in them to help cover their freight costs. Lee states, "I am hoping to have the first cards in the mail in about 45 days if all goes well. We are considering the idea of doing ZL7 Chatham Island again next year late February or early March with better antennas and enhanced operation on 160m and 80m and the WARC bands."

QSLS VIA LOTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: CX3CCC, E70T, EL2DX, ET3JA, FK8CP, FM5LD, FW5RE, LY8O, MU0FAL, NP4A, RO9O, T27A, TF3CW, TJ3SL, UA2FCC, V25WY, VK9AA, VP2V/SP3IPB, VP8KF and Z36A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3XM6JR, 4K7Z, 4X0C, 4X0V, 7P8FC, 7U5CI, 9A73AA, 9K2HN, BD7JLR, BG7JLR, BT1OB, C4EURO, EN600Y, ER61V, EU5ROPE, EU940OR, EV7DP, EV9P, H44MS, HB0/DL4IAL, HD2A, IF9A, J48MDC, J6/DL7AFS, JI2ZJS, PJ7/DL7DF, RI1OTA, S79SG, T32CXX, T77WI, TC85TC, TO5FJ, UK8AJ and YI1DZ

S7, SEYCHELLES. Davide, IZ3EFL, is now active as S79DF from Aldabra Atoll (AF-025) for the next year. Activity has been only on 20 meters SSB, but he has promised to appear on other bands soon. Watch between 1600-1730z on 20 meters. QSL via IV3TDM, direct or by the bureau.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI ISLANDS (Also 3D2). By the time you read this Hrane/YT1AD and Miki/YU1DW should be active as T30M and T30DW, respectively, from Tarawa Island for a few days until April 29th. Their Pacific trip is to make plans for their upcoming operations to Tokelau Island (ZK3) in 2010 and Conway Reef (3D2C) in 2011. The duo will leave T30 and end their Pacific trip in Fiji. They will be active as 3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW) until May 4th. QSL all callsigns via their home call, direct or by the Bureau.

TA7, TURKEY. Operator Berkin, TA3J, will be active as TA3J/7 from Erzincan City (KM99RS) between now and May 3rd. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He was heard this past weekend on 20 meters SSB. QSL via TA3YJ QSL Service at: http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3yj/qslservice.htm

TK, CORSICA (IOTA/SOTA/LH/QRP). Laurent, F8BBL, will be on holiday on the main island of Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) between August 1-15th. His QTH will be located in the Valinco Gulf, near the city of Olmeto (Department South Corsica/2A, WW Loc. Loc JN41KQ). His activity will be QRP using a FT-817 and a new MP1 antenna. He will

be signing TK/F8BBL/QRP and will be on the HF bands, mainly CW, but some SSB during his spare time. On August 8th, Laurent will climb the summit Punta di Buturetu (SOTA TK/TK112, 870m ASL, WW Loc. JN41KR) and expects to be on the air around 1000z. Suggested frequencies are: 7032 kHz/CW, 7096 kHz/SSB and 10118 kHz/CW. He will also make another one day trip to the Island of Sanguinaires (EU-104, DIFM TK-002, MIA MCO-022, WLOTA 0098, Loc JN41HV) during his second week (weather and sea conditions permitting and boat rental). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

TK, CORSICA (IOTA/LH/Mills/Towers Op). Claude (Jim), F5MCC, will be on holiday from the main island (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) between May 22nd and June 11th. He will be signing TK/F5MCC or possibly TK/F5MCC/p. Tony, TK5XN, may be with him. Look for Jim to activate some lighthouses which count for the "French Onshore Lighthouses Award" (DPLF) with the following references: PB 074, PB 068, PB 087, PB 091, PB 287 and PB 292 (with weather permitting, possibly PB 170 and PB 171). Also, a very difficult lighthouse (PB 289) may be activate which is hard to reach and for this activation, Tony, TK5XN, will go with Jim. There is another planned activation from the Island of Lavezzi (EU-164, TK-011, MCO-007, PB 175 and WLOTA 755), but this depends on the renting of a boat. On May 23rd and 30th, Jim will also activate (along with Denys/TK5JU) some Mills or Genovese Towers (not yet chosen). Activity from all locations will be on the HF bands 80-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL TK/F5MCC via F5MCC, TK5XN via F2YT and TK5JU direct to his home callsign.

TY, BENIN. In close cooperation between the DAGOE Foundation, Mercy Ships and 5 Dutch radio amateurs, a new DXpedition is on its way. If everything goes according the plan, the team foresees a visit to Benin between October 7-30th. The team expects to be on air from October 10th-27th and will also participate in the 2009 CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL Manager is PA3AWW (direct or by the Bureau). An online QSL REQUEST service will be available. More details are forthcoming, but a Web page is up and running at: http://www.benin2009.com/home.php

VK9GMW, MELLISH REEF (News - QSO Data Lost!). George, AA7JV, reports on April 22nd: "We both made it home, safe and sound (but dog tired). Unfortunately our support team's efforts to recover the WriteLog QSO data have not produced results yet. We are now seeking help from WriteLog. In the meantime, please do not send any QSLs or OQRS requests for any QSO that took place between 4/9 2020 UTC and 4/10 0923 UTC. We apologize, understanding how this may disappoint those who have made the QSOs, but as long as we can not recover the data, we will not able to QSL these QSOs."
ADDED NOTE: George, AA7JV, also, reports: "I have been getting a lot of requests for info on the antenna we used on Mellish." Read about their multi-band antenna at: http://vk9gmw.com/documents/VK9GMW_ANTENNA.pdf

YB0, INDONESIA (IOTA Op). Hotang, YC0IEM, will be active as YB0IEM/P from Borneo Island (OC-088) between April 27th and May 15th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via IZ8CCW.

YJ, VANUATU (IOTA Op). Kaku, JA6REX, will be active as YJ0KS for 10 days from two different islands. Activity will be from Espiritu Santo (OC-035) between April 28th and May 3rd, and from Tanna Island (OC-035) between May 5-7th. Look for activity to be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

YS, EL SALVADOR. Operators Michael/G7VJR, Bob/MD0CCE and Nigel/G3TXF will be active as YS1G between May 17-23rd. Activity will be focused on CW on 160/80/40/30 meters, and possibly the other higher bands depending on the conditions. Mario, YS1MAE, is expected to join the team and operate SSB. QSL via G3TXF.

YW0, AVES ISLAND (Update). The 4M5DX Group, which is expecting to be active as YW0A from Aves Island, received on Monday, April 20th, a schedule from the Venezuela Navy to travel to Aves Island. From their Web they state, "The stay time that they can give us on Aves Island is no less than 30 days (can be more, depending of vessels availability). No one operator or team member can stay for so long time on the island. For that, we are still looking for no more than 7 or 12 days to operate from YV0." The YW0A Web is at: http://yw0a.4m5dx.info/news.html

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Dave, W9CGI, will be active as ZF2GC from the Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042) between July 29th and August 10th. Activity will be mainly on 17 and 12 meters using PSK31 and SSB. He will use a vertical antenna with under 50 watts. QSL via his home callsign, eQSL preferred; direct w/SASE or by the Bureau. Sorry no LoTW.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND (Island Names To Be Decided!). New Zealanders are being asked what they would like to call their two main islands, currently North Island and South Island. The BBC News reports: "The country's Geographic Board, which assigns and approves place name changes, has announced consultations on alternative English and Maori names. The move follows the discovery that the geographically correct names, used for 200 years, were not legally registered." The Maori names are Te Ika a Maui (the fish of Maui) for the North Island and Te Wai Pounamu (the waters of greenstone) for the South Island. Read the complete story at: http://news.bbc.co.uk/go/em/fr/-/2/hi/asia-pacific/8011846.stm

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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9661. RE: [DX-IS] Russian Contest ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 16:46:53 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9658 Message: 9661

Did this replace the Oblast award ??

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: Axel.Schernikau@...
Date: Sun, 26 Apr 2009 10:05:27 +0000
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Russian Contest ??

Hello Dick,

RDA stands for Russian District Award Program.
MG-04 is the abbreviation for the district RW0IM/P is working in (Magadan oblast, Severo-Evensky Area).

More info about RDA You find at www.rdaward.org.

73 & gl,

Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
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9662. Re: [DX-IS] Russian Contest ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 16:57:38 UTC
From: Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
Topic: 9658 Message: 9662

Hello Dick,

there is an official award program for the russian club SRR, named "Russia". This one practically is the same as the old oblast award with some new directions (multi-band etc.).

The RDA is an award program of the Tambov Award group with RX3RC beeing the award manager. Here You have to work not only the oblast, but the districts of every oblast (like counties of US-states). Currently there are 2745 RDA in 89 oblasts (like 3077 counties in 50 states).

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 20:27:27 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9663 Message: 9663

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73s John AA5JG

9664. RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 23:07:08 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9663 Message: 9664

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Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2009 5:27 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com; okdxa@...
Subject: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

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9665. Re: [DX-IS] Russian Contest ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 23:40:47 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 9658 Message: 9665

Dick:

This is the "Russian District Award" district identifier.
Russia doesn't use counties like we do, and one of their award clubs has
identified and broken Russia down into about 2,800 "districts".
See: Internet: http://rdaward.org/rda_rules_eng.htm (English Text)
And, yes, there are "expeditions" to the rare districts.

Ted Melinosky K1BV
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9666. RE: [DX-IS] Russian Contest ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-26 23:55:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9658 Message: 9666

I certainly liked collecting oblasts. I can't get excited about RDA.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ted Melinosky
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9667. RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 00:37:24 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9663 Message: 9667

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9668. RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 01:16:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9663 Message: 9668

I think most of us are suffering through these bad conditions, Bob.
Perhaps we hear those Italians because they run such big antennas and lots of power. And perhaps we don't hear the other Italians just because they don't. :-) I recall listening to an I station on 20 CW who was running 5W into a 6-el monobander at 130' and QSO after QSO he was between 30 and 40 over 9. I think my receiver would have melted if he'd been running 100W.

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9669. Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 01:27:30 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9663 Message: 9669

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Al, the answer is simple. They don't have to put up with the
neighborhood covenant BS that we do. Also, on several occasions I have
been told that along with the big antennas, the big guns in Italy run
between 5 & 10 KW output, and the government ignores them.

73,
Mike, W5UC
"American by birth. Texan by the grace of God*
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9670. RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 01:34:24 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9663 Message: 9670

Oh, my goodness, Mike -- I didn't know :-).

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73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2009 10:28 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

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9671. RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 01:40:36 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9663 Message: 9671

Propagation is an interesting subject, and there seems to be some constant paths from one's QTH to certain locations that don't occur near as nicely for adjacent locations. From my QTH, the S5 stations, as well as 9A and YU always come in louder than most other parts of central/eastern EU. Not sure why that is, but that is how it is. Italy also comes in pretty nicely most of the time.

Had a nice evening on 40 last night as well. Worked CX and YL within a couple of minutes of each other.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 4/26/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, April 26, 2009, 8:16 PM

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of
AD5VJ Bob
Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2009 9:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

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> can hear (from this QTH) on 30M is a huge pile-up on a CO.

I concur

> Earlier today I saw a spot for an ID9 so I went there and COULDN'T
> hear him. I can never not hear an Italian. :-)

I know exactly what you mean. Dont know what it is about Italian stations
but they are almost always 30/9 here.

I always here them, when I may not hear any other EU stations well at all. Of course it may be since I always hear most of them I talk to on CW are using "homemade 4 element yagi" "homebrew 5 element quad" and they seem to all be up at 90 or 120 feet.

And, almost all of them are running power, how much I dont know buy they usually report 1000W.

Conditions were not the same here last night as they were for you though. I went to many spots last night on 40 Meters with my newly made 40 Meter Double Bazooka and Italy was literally blasting in here as normal. I also worked a ton of Swedish stations but I heard little else, now that was strange for me here.

Bob AD5VJ
http://www.ad5vj. com/

> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups. com] On Behalf
> Of Alan Leith
> Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2009 6:07 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups. com] On Behalf
> Of John Geiger
> Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2009 5:27 PM
> To: dx-is@yahoogroups. com; okdxa@mailman. qth.net
> Subject: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....
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> Never thought I would see this day. I can hear some of the stations
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9672. Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 01:42:36 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9663 Message: 9672

I think there are quite a few US stations running a "Texas Kilowatt" as well without Governmnet interference. When is the last time you heard of the FCC busting someone for running over the legal limit?

And the legal limit is 3KW in Somalia. That would make a T5 DXpedition almost worth it.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 4/26/09, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <w5uc@...> wrote:

From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <w5uc@suddenlink.net>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, April 26, 2009, 8:27 PM

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9673. Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 01:42:34 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9663 Message: 9673

Al, I had a surprise last night.... I worked UA0AV on PSK-31 over the pole at 02:53 UTC!

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

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9674. Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 01:57:49 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9663 Message: 9674

At 10:27 PM 4/26/2009, you wrote:

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None of them were needle pinners, but 2-3 of them were
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I don't know that they all (or even a few) run 5 to 10 KW, but
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all have our crop of "home brew enthusiasts" who like to see how many
3CX1500A7 tubes they can cram into a single box. (I've seen one in
the USA that had three in it.)

It is a boring time for DXers. I built a device for gettering
NOS 4CX800A tubes this week. I have a chimney made from a 2-litre
Coke bottle, and I'm blowing air into the bottom with a computer
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amps for 12-15 hours.

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9675. Re: Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 11:17:03 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9663 Message: 9675

Yesterday (and Saturday) was the Florida QSO Party. I think my wife worked every one in Canada except you and Al! There were a lot of VE/VA/XM stations on the air over the weekend.

Dupe sheets, or the electronic equivalent, seem to have gone by the wayside! Couldn't believe how many stations called me more than once.

Art - N4PJ

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9676. Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 11:24:37 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9663 Message: 9676

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9677. Re: Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 14:02:34 UTC
From: tm303
Topic: 9663 Message: 9677

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9678. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 14:29:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9663 Message: 9678

At 11:02 AM 4/27/2009, you wrote:
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>Tom W8JWN

Hi Tom,

I assume by aligning you mean verifying the rig is on frequency.
and if not, adjusting it so that it is. Years ago I used to be
diligent with this, but around 1990 I got a TS940 and it never
drifted in 8-9 years! I used to zero beat WWV, etc all the time and
it never was off. (In the late 80s my rig did drift a bit and
required tweaking up now and then.)

I am always aware of this, but I don't think it is a factor
anymore. I only have anecdotal evidence. For example, if a spot
appears on the DX Cluster I QSY to that frequency and mode. If
someone spots a DX station on 14.0103 and I QSY to that frequency, 9
times out of 10 I'm zero beating the DX perfectly. This tells me
that my rig (and those of the spotters) are all on the same page. I
don't think it has been an issue in the past 15 years or so. If I
were consistently high or low compared to the DX Spots, I'd
investigate further.

This is a good point. Not everyone is using a new rig, and even
with new ones, I expect drift is possible. Used to be fun prior to
1991 working the old Soviet Union stations that had the buzz saw hum
and drifted all over the place during the QSO. I sure learned the

usefulness of RIT!

Anyhow, back to watching my cooling fan spin . . .

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9679. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 14:55:23 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9663 Message: 9679

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Good Morning Paul & All:

Your comments bring back fond memories. I will be doing that again. I was recently (re)smitten by the AM bug, and acquired a HQ-129X & a Johnson Ranger. Some old friends are hanging out on 3880, so I will sneak up on them. Many years ago I had a HQ-129X and Harvey Wells TBS-50D, and lost both in Hurricane Carla in Sept, 1961. AHHHH, those were the days, heterodynes and all. The Johnson ranger belongs to a friend who also has a DX-100. The ranger needs some work and was just gathering dust, so I got it on looooong term loan. I will repair it, use it, and then it goes back when I start pushing up daisies. If anyone has a 3880 Xtal, I would be glad to negotiate a deal with you.

73,
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9680. Re: [DX-IS] Conditions are so bad.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 16:03:03 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9663 Message: 9680

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2009 4:24 AM
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9681. TO5LQ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 17:01:22 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9681 Message: 9681

Hi ya'all,
Back on February 26, 1983 I worked TO5LQ. His home call is F5LQ. DXK doesn't recognize where he was. Anyone worked him and wrote down his QTH?
TIA
Rene

- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

9682. Google

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 18:13:04 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9682 Message: 9682

Anyone notice that Google's logo on their seach screen is in CW...
Bob KB1JZU

9683. Re: [DX-IS] Google

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 18:46:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9682 Message: 9683

At 03:13 PM 4/27/2009, you wrote:
>Anyone notice that Google's logo on their seach screen is in CW...
>Bob KB1JZU

Yes! It is in commemoration of Samuel Morse's birthday. Kind
of slick when the new technology of the world's most popular Internet
search engine meets the historical beginnings of land line and
wireless communication. Glad to see they recognize the contribution he made.

73, Paul VE1DX

9684. QSL Card: GS Returned

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-27 23:18:15 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9684 Message: 9684

I received a QSL Card today for a JA QSO on 160. Included with the

card was my addressed envelope and BOTH my GS's !!

Quite refreshing to see that some folks still have the Ham Spirit of old.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

9685. Re: [DX-IS] Google

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 03:01:30 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9682 Message: 9685

I just "googled" google.....kewl

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2009 2:46:41 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Google

At 03:13 PM 4/27/2009, you wrote:
>Anyone notice that Google's logo on their seach screen is in CW...
>Bob KB1JZU

Yes! It is in commemoration of Samuel Morse's birthday. Kind
of slick when the new technology of the world's most popular Internet
search engine meets the historical beginnings of land line and
wireless communication. Glad to see they recognize the contribution he made.

73, Paul VE1DX

9686. RE: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 08:07:43 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9597 Message: 9686

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Any DX from the Caribbean and South America is very much appreciated over this way,

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73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Saturday, 25 April 2009 4:42 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

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calls from Brunei in my log. The first was in 1979 and the last was in 1994. I believe I can honestly say I have not heard hide nor hair of a V8
in 15 years.

But I have scads of FPs, CY9s and CY0s.

BTW, all of my QSOs with V8 were on 20M only.

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of Art
Burke
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2009 8:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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Art - N4PJ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 11:58:30 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9682 Message: 9687

Did you "sound it out" to see what it said?
Yesterday was the birthday of Samuel F. B. Morse!

Technically speaking, Vail invented the code, but Morse was the first one to file the patent!

Art - N4PJ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 12:01:04 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9597 Message: 9688

I saw the other day that a JA was operating as A52DT *and* he has permission for high power. I see also he was on 40 and 80 this morning, but too late for prop to my part of the world.

I got lucky last year with a couple of A5 stns on SSB, but I still need that one on CW.

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9689. Rationale for spotting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 14:24:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9689 Message: 9689

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(2) More importantly it tells the hordes that the frequency is NOT mine (I don't spot my log -- sit on a frequency and work 20 stations, spotting them even though others can't work them.) This is my main reason. I hear UA6xxx calling CQ, so I answer him and we have a QSO. As soon as I send UA6xxx DE VE1DX BK there are usually 4-5 other stations calling me before he gets a chance to finish his side of the conversation. No matter how many times I send AS, QSY or QRX, I get bombarded by others calling on top of my QSO partner. I find spotting the other station *near the end* of the QSO reduces the QRM dramatically. I won't "steal" anyone's frequency by work those calling, and surprisingly it seems those who call can read the cluster better than they can copy AS or QRX!

That's my story and I'm sticking to it!

73, Paul VE1DX

9690. Re: Google

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 15:14:33 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9682 Message: 9690

Art

Actually I had no trouble copying it at the speed Google presented it at....Hi

Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...> wrote:
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9691. Re: [DX-IS] Rationale for spotting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 15:35:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9689 Message: 9691

--- On Tue, 4/28/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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I wish I had this problem!

73s John AA5JG

9692. Re: [DX-IS] Rationale for spotting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 15:37:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9689 Message: 9692

Hi Paul,

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73, Zack W9SZ

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9693. Re: [DX-IS] Rationale for spotting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 15:52:40 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9689 Message: 9693

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9694. Re: [DX-IS] Rationale for spotting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 21:51:28 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9689 Message: 9694

Help me out Paul--

I am not familiar with the prosign AR......Don't ever recall seeing it........if I have

Excuse my ignorance.

Dale K8TS

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
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Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2009 11:52:40 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Date: 2009-04-28 22:01:09 UTC
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Topic: 9689 Message: 9695

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A and S run together and it means stand by or wait. Same as
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9696. RE: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 23:03:22 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9597 Message: 9696

What I consider real DX from this QTH, Lance, is all of the Pacific, all of eastern Asia from Turkey to the Pacific, and Australia/New Zealand (which are, of course, Pacific area). So you see, my friend, where you have many, many QSOs with those areas (natch), I don't. But there's nothing to working the Caribbean from here. So, to quote the old saying, "one man's "garbage" is another man's "gold."

Sadly, I am not able to take advantage of those (morning for me) openings you mention. Only on rare occasions do I hear LP openings on 20 & 40 to your area. But, as you know, I have heard you on 40, even if you didn't hear me calling :-(.

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But I have scads of FPs, CY9s and CY0s.

BTW, all of my QSOs with V8 were on 20M only.

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Al, VE1AL

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[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of Art
Burke
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2009 8:43 AM
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Art - N4PJ

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9697. More on Mellish Reef

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-28 23:37:06 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9697 Message: 9697

QSO Data Lost (04-22-2009 from AA7JV)

Apr 22, 1900 UTC, Miami Beach.
We both made it home, safe and sound (but dog tired).

Unfortunately our support team's efforts to recover the WriteLog QSO data have not produced results yet. We are now seeking help from WriteLog. In the meantime, please do not send any QSL-s or OQRS requests for any QSO that took place between 4/9 2020 UTC and 4/10 0923 UTC. We apologize, understanding how this may disappoint those who have made the QSO-s, but as long as we can not recover the data, we will not able to QSL these QSOs.

9698. Re: Rationale for spotting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-29 13:35:29 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9689 Message: 9698

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-29 13:57:11 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9689 Message: 9699

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-29 14:57:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9689 Message: 9700

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Art is pretty much bang on with the three that are in common use
today, although I hear a lot of stations send SK and then your call
and their call and a couple of 73s, so if there is nothing more
coming I believe SK should be the last thing sent. That's the way I
do it anyhow. We are amateurs and not professional telegraphers so I
guess the "when in Rome . . . " philosophy applies.

Regarding SN (although not run together as a prosign), I notice in the last year or two HPE C U AGN seems to be being replaced with HPE C U SN (presumably SN being the abbreviation for soon.) I will plead guilty to that now and then, again using the "when in Rome . . . " defense. Had not heard the SN as a prosign, Zack, and it makes a lot of sense. It's a lot quicker and easier to send N SN than trying to send QSB QSB QRM NW 22N PSE AGN or whatever to indicate you are losing the guy.

For the most part, I send VE1DX (as few times as possible) and then R 5NN TU because we are DXers, not rag chewers. However, in the lack of any DX, it's pretty hard to just 5NN as western EU station and move on when he wants to exchange basic information.

73, Paul VE1DX

9701. 4NEC2 modeling software

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-29 22:52:33 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9701 Message: 9701

I don't know if anyone is interested, but I just found a group on yahoo for 4NEC2 modeling software.

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/4nec2/

Looks like it is fairly new.

Bob AD5VJ

9702. RE: [DX-IS] Re: XO0ICE/2 WPX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-30 02:56:32 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9597 Message: 9702

Well, Al, let's hope those Sunspots start appearing soon and we can have a QSO.

Still getting hammered by my neighbours plasma TV over here, make working anything difficult on 40m at around our Sunset these days.

I have heard the odd VE in the mornings here around 2200 - 2300z through this coming season (our winter, your summer), so that maybe a better time for you. These days I tend to be on around 2230 - 2300z weekdays before going to work, usually sniffing around for DX, occasionally I put out a CQ...

73, Lance - VK6DU

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9703. RE: [DX-IS] Rationale for spotting

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Date: 2009-04-30 03:08:11 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9689 Message: 9703

My rationale is very similar to Pauls.

I like to spot something, so that others (and I am talking about VKs and VK6 in particular) know that the band is open and the station is workable or audible... Just yesterday I spotted PY2XB on 10105. I was not able to work him but soon after spotting VK6APK promptly appeared and got through straight away...(I will have to send some cotton wool buds to Fred, to get him to clean his ears out, hi hi!), so at least one VK got through...

I probably over use the cluster and have been known to try and get the attention of the DX! ...well why not, many of them don't beam this way and quite a few don't even know where VK6 is! (I know this sounds strange but not all DXers take a great circle map with them on DXpeditions).

If we get a good opening into EU (which seems quite rare these days) and I call one, quite often I wind up in the same spot as Paul, so I can understand the spotting of non-rare stations in this instance.

Thus endth my story...

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, 28 April 2009 10:24 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Rationale for spotting

There are a lot of opinions on spotting DX, and I tend to spot "easy" stuff like DLs and UAs on 17/20/30 metres probably more than most. My rationale is twofold:

(1) It tells others the band is open and to where

(2) More importantly it tells the hordes that the frequency is NOT mine (I don't spot my log -- sit on a frequency and work 20 stations, spotting them even though others can't work them.) This is my main reason. I hear UA6xxx calling CQ, so I answer him and we have a QSO. As soon as I send UA6xxx DE VE1DX BK there are usually 4-5 other stations calling me before he gets a chance to finish his side of the conversation. No matter how many times I send AS, QSY or QRX, I get bombarded by others calling on top of my QSO partner. I find spotting the other station *near the end* of the QSO reduces the QRM dramatically. I won't "steal" anyone's frequency by work those calling, and surprisingly it seems those who call can read the

cluster better than they can copy AS or QRX!

That's my story and I'm sticking to it!

73, Paul VE1DX

9704. ARLD017 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-04-30 23:06:35 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3649 Message: 9704

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DX Bulletin 17 ARLD017
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT April 30, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD017 DX news

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FIJI, 3D2. Jan, OK2ZAW is QRV as 3D2ZW/p until May 8 from Viti Levu, IOTA OC-016, the Mamanuca Group, IOTA OC-121, the Yasawa Group, IOTA OC-156, and Viti Levu, IOTA OC-016. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

WEST MALAYSIA, 9M2. Richard, PA0RRS has moved here permanently and is QRV as 9M2MRS from Penang Island, IOTA AS-015. Activity is generally using CW with SSB on request. QSL via operator's instructions.

MOROCCO, CN. Abder, CN8VO is QRV using special event call 5F1ROM until May 10 to commemorate the ''FIA Touring Car Grand Prix'' which takes place in Marrakesh from May 1 to 3. QSL via EA7FTR.

ETHIOPIA, ET. Peter is QRV as ET3BN is QRV from Addis Ababa and is here for a few years. Activity is generally on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct.

ENGLAND, G. In celebration of the centenary year of the UK Royal Naval ARS, special event station GB100FAA is QRV until May 15 and then from May 19 to 21. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau.

SCOTLAND, GM. A group of operators will be QRV as MS0TJT/p from Coll Island, Inner Hebrides, IOTA EU-008, from May 3 to 8. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using mostly SSB with some CW and PSK. QSL via GM4ZNC.

ITALY, I. To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Solferino, a battle that lead to the establishment of the International Red Cross, a group of operators will be QRV using special event station II4CRI from May 2 to 8. QSL via IZ1JKW.

SARDINIA, IS0. Operators DH7FB and DF2ZC are QRV as IS0/homecalls until May 5. They are active using 2 Meters EME, transmitting on 144.124 MHz and listening on 144.082 MHz. QSL via operators' instructions.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Koji, JI1LET is QRV as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima Island, IOTA AS-031, until May 5. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

BULGARIA, LZ. In commemoration of the inventors of the Cyrillic Alphabet, St. Kiril and Methodius, members of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs are QRV as LZ2009KM during the month of May. QSL via LZ1PJ.

BELGIUM, ON. Special event station ON769MS will be QRV on May 2 and 3. QSL via ON6MS.

DENMARK, OZ. Paolo, I2AE is QRV as OZ/I2AE/p from various Danish islands and from at least 19 Lighthouses on these islands. Activity is on 40 and 20 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Members of the Rio DX Group are QRV as PT1R from Rasa Island, IOTA SA-079, until May 4. They are active on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes, with two stations. QSL via PY1NB.

SAN MARINO, T7. A group of operators are QRV as T70A until May 3. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes an entry in the ARI International contest. QSL via bureau.

TURKEY. TA. Berkin, TA3J is QRV as TA3J/7 from Erzincan City until May 3. Activity is on all band using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via TA3YJ.

UKRAINE, UR. A group of operators are QRV as EO64JM in commemoration of the 64th anniversary of victory of the Great Patriotic War. QSL via K2PF.

INDONESIA, YB. Hotang, YC0IEM is QRV from Borneo Island, IOTA OC-088, until May 15. QSL via IZ8CCW.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. Karol, G0UNU will be QRV as ZD8KR from May 4 to 11. He will be active mainly on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Western Sahara, S04R, 2009 operation; North Cook Island, E51QQQ, 2009 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The New England QSO Party, 10-10 International Spring CW Contest, 10-10 International Spring Digital Contest, ARI International DX Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, AGCW QRP/QRP CW Party, MARAC QSO Party, Microwave Spring Sprint, 7th Call Area QSO Party, Portuguese Navy Day Contest, Indiana QSO Party and the AGCW DL QRP Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Championship is scheduled for May 4. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for May 5. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9705. [425ENG] The toplist of may

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 02:25:25 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9705 Message: 9705

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Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
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9707. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 10:57:36 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9706 Message: 9707

It should cause as much QRM as a toaster.

----- Original Message -----
From: Phil Snyder
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, May 01, 2009 6:26 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

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Phil
N9LAH

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9708. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 12:58:09 UTC
From: Jennifer
Topic: 9706 Message: 9708

Why not put hot water pipes underneith the floor, and use pumps to
move the water. Further more, why not use solor water heater up on
the roof, save you a lot of money! :-)

WA4CVV
Jennifer

At 06:57 AM 5/1/2009, you wrote:

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9709. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 14:00:23 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9706 Message: 9709

>To stay on topic, will this cause so much QRM that I won't be able to >tell if the sunspots come back at all?

After the past couple of years, I think it was more appropriate to say "IF" instead of "WHEN", unfortunately.

73s John AA5JG

9710. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 14:09:38 UTC
From: n9lah@arrl.net
Topic: 9706 Message: 9710

Well I considered that but not until the slab was already poured and we are laying the ceramic right over the concrete, hence the electric mat. I may put a small HW heater in the garage and run Pex tubing under the 5 foot wide concrete apron and front walk to keep from having to put slat down on the new concrete.

Phil

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jennifer" <JPATERSON4@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, May 1, 2009 7:58:09 AM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

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9711. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 14:40:45 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9706 Message: 9711

At 11:00 AM 5/1/2009, you wrote:

> >To stay on topic, will this cause so much QRM that I won't be able
> to >tell if the sunspots come back at all?
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>73s John AA5JG

It *really* isn't looking great. The current "sunspot" is about to rotate out of sight and its position and magnetic polarity indicate it is a Cycle 23 straggler, not a Cycle 24 spot. It did nothing to bump up the flux. There have been a few speckles with Cycle 24 characteristics, but for the most part it things have stalled, and all we are seeing are the remnants of Cycle 23 winding down.

There still is DX, but it isn't the rare stuff we were expecting by now. We are in uncharted waters, at least in recorded history. Perhaps there are indeed prolonged periods where the flux sits at 68-70.

I think the measure of how much we like Ham radio and DXing will be tested over the next couple of years. We are likely to lose a lot of HF types who will get tired of the low bands and a bit of Es on 6M. So far I'm happy to work EU and the occasional Asian station on the polar path, and I think I could put up with this for a few more years. The only other options are to get interested in the weak signal digital modes, EME or the VHF/UHF aspect, where a 100 mile 339 exchange brings as much excitement as a 599 from the other side of the world on 28 MHz!

Anyhow, back to 20M . . . managed to work DU1/OE3SGU on 14 MHz earlier and that still was a rush. Even at the best of times the Philippines from VE1 is not easy.

73, Paul VE1DX

9712. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 15:20:37 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 9706 Message: 9712

Pumps are driven by electric motors, which can generate RFI. An electrical heating element has no RFI generating component (well at least in our radio bands). For a specialized "spot use" situation like you describe, I would not expect any problem with your plan.

73 de Bob - KØRC in MN

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9713. [425ENG] 425 DX News #939 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 16:01:23 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9713 Message: 9713

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9714. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 16:22:52 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9706 Message: 9714

Have you checked into Pex tubing and is it 'time' proven?
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: n9lah@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, May 01, 2009 7:09 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Well I considered that but not until the slab was already poured and we are laying the ceramic right over the concrete, hence the electric mat. I may put a small HW heater in the garage and run Pex tubing under the 5 foot wide concrete apron and front walk to keep from having to put slat down on the new concrete.

Phil

9715. [425ENG] 425 DX News #939

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 15:51:24 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9715 Message: 9715

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3D2 - JA1NLX will be active as 3D2YA from Mana Island (OC-121), Fiji from 29 June to 3 July. He will operate CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload the log to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
5H - Hermann, DL2NUD (5H1HP)and Joachim, DL9MS (5H1MS) will be active from Zanzibar Island (AF-032) from 16 May to 2 June. They will operate on 2m EME/MS, with activity also on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX DL9MS and DL8EBW]
9A - Neno, 9A5AN and Tom, 9A2AA will be active from Drvenik, Oblik, Zlarin and a few other islands in the EU-170 IOTA group between 1 and 5 May. [TNX 9A2AA]
A6 - Philippe, F5LTB reports that at the end of the day the callsign issued to him is A65BI (not A65BK as expected, 425DXN 938). He will be in France on 6-20 May, and hopes to be QRV from the UAE by the end of the month. QSL via SM5DJZ. [TNX F5NQL]
BV - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as BW9/DL2JRM from Kinmen Island (AS-102) until 3 May. He operates CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via DL2JRM. [TNX The Daily DX]
BY - David, BA3CE and several other operators will be active as BY3CN/4 from Heng Tian Island (claimed to count for AS-150) on 1-3 May. Expect activity on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. [TNX BA3CE]
BY - Terry, BA7NQ will be vacationing with his family on Hainan Island (AS-094) on 24-26 May. Depending on local conditions, he plans to operate holiday style mainly on 20, 30 and 40 metres CW around 4, 10, 16 and 23 UTC (i.e. when his daughter sleeps!). [TNX BA7NQ]
DL - DL2SWW, DF9TM and DL2VFR will be active as DF0WFF from the Nature Reserve of Flusslandschaft Elbe during the "Green Days" weekend (13-14 June). QSL via DL2VFR, direct or bureau. Information about the German World Flora & Fauna Award (WFF) activities can be found at www.wff44.de [TNX DL2VFR]
ES - Uwe, DL3BQA will be active as ES8/DL3BQA from Kihnu Island (EU-178) on 15-22 June. He will operate holiday style on 80-6

metres, mainly SSB with possibly some RTTY. QSL via home call,
direct or bureau. [TNX DL3BQA]
F - Look for a group of French operators to be active as TM5EL from
Penfret Island (EU-094) on 8-10 May. They will be operate SSB, CW
and digital modes with four stations (three for the HF bands and
one for VHF, UHF and SHF). QSL via F6KHI, direct ot bureau.
Further information an on-line logs can be found at
http://ed28.ref-union.org/
F - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe, the
local amateur radio club (http://ewwa.free.fr) will operate SSB,
CW, RTTY and PSK as TP60CE on 8-10 May. QSL via F5LGF. [TNX F6FQK]
F - Eight operators from the Charente DX Group (namely F1BLQ, F4EEK,
F5EOT, F5LOW, F5MNK, F5NBQ, F6HKA and ON4ZD) will be active as
TM0M from Molene Island (EU-065, DIFM AT-002) on 23-30 May. They
plan to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 80-10 metres, and maybe
on 6m as well. QSL via F6ANA. [TNX F5NBQ]
HL - 6K5AQY, 6K5AYC, 6K5BHZ, DS4NMJ, HL2FDW and HL5BMX will be active
as 6M0W/5 from Jo Island (AS-081) on 1-3 May. They will operate
SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via HL5BMX, direct or
bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
GM - 2E0JOX, 2E0TJX, G3VCQ, M0GAV, and M3VCQ will be active from the
Isle of Arran (EU-123) on 23-27 July. They will participate in the
IOTA Contest as MM3M (QSL via G3VCQ), outside the IOTA event they
might be signing GS3RCM/p. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
GW - The Barry Amateur Radio Society will be active as GB100BP from
Sully, Wales on 4-31 May. The special callsign celebrates 100
years of British Petroleum. QSL via GW0ANA. [TNX GW0ANA]
I - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs
awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, Frank, IZ7AUH will be active as
IY7GM through the end of the year. QSL via IZ7AUH, direct or
bureau (see qrz.com under IY7GM for QSLling instructions). The log
will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. [TNX IZ7AUH]
I - A special activity by ARI Portici (Naples), IQ8PC, will take pace
until 2 May for the 9th World Ranking Master Bowling Championship.
QSL via IK8JVG. A cancellation for philatelists is available for
contacts made on 1 and 2 May. [TNX IK8VRH]
I - The fifth edition of the Mediterraneo DX Club's Members Trophy will
take place on 16-17 May. The MDXC HQ station IQ8MD plus several
special event stations are expected to participate in the event:
4X0MDC, HG09MDC, II0MDC, II2MDC, II8MDC, II9MDC, IO0MDC, IO1MDC,
IO5MDC, IO9MDC, IQ8MD, IR0MDC, IR2MDC, IR5MDC, IR8MDC, IR9MDC,
IU0MDC, IU1MDC, IU5MDC, IU8MDC, IU9MDC, LQ5D, PD05MDC, SX1MDC,
TM5MDC. All of the QSOs made with these stations will be confirmed
automatically via the bureau. Direct requests should be sent to
the Members Trophy Manager, Giuliano Mondini (IK2VUC). Information
on the event and the relevant award can be found at
http://www.mdxc.org/memberstrophy.asp
JA - Look for JA1YVT/4, JL1OVB/4 and 7L3ATQ/4 to be active from Oki
Island (AS-041), Shimane prefecture until 4 May. QSL via home
calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]

JA - Look for Take, JS6RRR to be active on all bands and modes as
JS6RRR, JS6RRR/JS6 and JI3DST/JS6 from the Miyako Islands (AS-079)
until 11 May. His main QTH will be on Miyako-jima, (JIIA
AS-079-005), but he also plans to go and operate from Ikema-jima
(AS-079-001) and Kurima-jima (AS-079-003). QSL via bureau only.
[TNX JS6RRR]
KH2 - Lee, HL1IWD and Harry, WX8C will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31
as AH2Y and KH2/WX8C from Guam from 29 May to 2 June. They will
participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as AH2Y (QSL via HL1IWD;
all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau).
KP2 - Look for K3VX/KP2, W3WH/KP2, W3WN/KP2, W9UK/KP2 and K9CS/KP2 to be
active from the US Virgin Islands (NA-106) from 28 May to 2 June,
including an entry in the CQ WW PWX CW Contest as NP2SH. QSL
W3WN/KP2 via W3WN, all others via K9CS. [TNX K9CS]
LZ - Special station LZ2009KM will be active on all bands and modes on
1-31 May to celebrate St. Kiril and Methodius' Day. QSL via LZ1PJ,
bureau preferred. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Further
information at http://www.qrz.com/db/LZ2009KM [TNX LZ1BJ]
OH - Special callsign OH5POPOV will be aired on 24 May to commemorate
Russian physicist and radio pioneer Aleksandr S. Popov. QSL via
OH5VX. [TNX OH2KI]
OZ - DF9TM, DL2SWW and DL2VFR will operate CW and SSB as OZ0FR from
Romo Island (EU-125) on 23-26 July, IOTA Contest included. QSL via
DL2VFR, direct or bureau. Further information will be available at
www.iota-expedition.de [TNX DL2VFR]
P2 - The dates and callsigns for the IOTA DXpedition to Papua New
Guinea [425DXN 934] will be as follows:
22-26 October P29VCX Tanga Islands (OC-102) QSL via SM6CVX
27-31 October P29VLR Green Islands (OC-231) QSL via SM6CVX
2-9 November P29NI Woodlark group (OC-205) QSL via G3KHZ
Expect activity on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. The operators
will be Luis/CT1AGF, Derek/G3KHZ, Gordon/G3USR, David/M0VTG and
Hans/SM6CVX. Webpage at www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009/index.html
P2 - While the main team will leave for home after operating from
OC-205, Hans (SM6CVX) plans to continue the trip. He would like to
go and operate as P29VCX from the D'Entrecasteaux Islands (OC-116)
on 11-13 November. QSL via home call.
PA - VERON Section 54 (PI4ETL) will operate special callsign PH100EL
from 18 June to 12 July to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the
first flight of aviation pioneer Charles count de Lambert, who on
27 June 1909 at Etten-Leur opened the aviation era in the
Netehrlands. QSL via PD0PVQ. Information on the relevant award can
be found at http://www.qrz.com/db/PH100EL [TNX PA1BR]
PY - Seven operators from the Associacao Paulista de Radioamadores
(namely PY2IAB, PY2OMT, PY2TLB, PY3NZ, PU2OVA, PU2TEA and PU2TJQ)
will be active as PT2T from Ilha da Moela (SA-071) on 11-14 June.
They plan to be QRV on 80, 40, 20, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB with
two stations, with a third station active on 6 and 2 metres. QSL
via PY2OP, direct or bureau. The web page for the operation
is at http://www.apre.com.br/moela [TNX PU2TJQ]

SV5 - Ralph, DL9MWG will be active holiday style from Rhodes (EU-001) on 3-17 May. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands. QSl via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DXNL]
T7 - I4UFH, I4YSS, IK2NCJ, IK4UPB, IW2MJQ, IZ4DPV and IZ4EFN will operate from T70A, the club station of the Republic of San Marino's IARU Society, on 1-3 May. This will include an entry in the ARI International DX Contest. Look for them on 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 and 160 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via qrz.com
UA - A number of UE80 callsigns will be aired from Omsk until 31 May to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the local airport: UE80MB (UA9MBQ), UE80MC (UA9MC), UE80MD (UA9MD), UE80ME (RW9MC), UE80MK (RA9MKL), UE80MO (UA9MAX), UE80MP (RU9MP), UE80MT (RA9MC) and UE80NS (UA9NS). QSL via home calls. Information on the relevant award can be found at http://www.dxawards.com/inet2009.htm#OMSK [TNX RA9MC]
W - Bill, WD2E and Sofia, AI4KQ will be active as WD2E/4 from the Dry Tortugas Islands (NA-079) on 8-14 May. QSL via WD2E, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
YS - Nigel/G3TXF, Bob/MD0CCE and Michael/G7VJR will be active on all bands, 160m included, as YS1G from El Salvador on 16-23 May. They will be joined by Mario, YS1MAE who will do some SSB, while all other activity will be CW. QSL via G3TXF. The log will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX G7VJR]
ZD8 - Karol, G0UNU will be active in his spare time as ZD8KR from Ascension Island (AF-003) on 4-11 May. He plans to operate CW and SSB mainly on 20 metres (14010 and 14150 kHz), with possible activities on 30 and 40 metres. QSL via G0UNU, direct or bureau.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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8P6DR ---> Richard, G3RWL made about 3,000 QSOs during his 2-23 April activity from Barbados. He says he had a computer failure "and the last 800 QSOs were made with hand-keying and a paper log". All but about 10 CW QSOs from the computer are OK on his backup, but all his RTTY QSOs are still on the computer with no backup. QSL requests will not be confirmed until after Richard has investigated (and hopefully fixed) the problem. [TNX G3RWL]

A DIFFERENT KIND OF AMATEUR RADIO COMPETITION ---> Nineteen-year old Mark Dumpleton, 2E0NCG is the winner of the Radio Arcala Essay Contest [425DXN 929]. You can read Mark's piece and his interview at http://www.radioarcala.com (click on the "Young People Terms" button).

ANARTS RTTY CONTEST ---> The last running of the ANARTS WW RTTY Contest will be held on 13-14 June (rules at http://www.anarts.com.au/rules2009.htm) and for this year only the contest will be managed by John Barber, GW4SKA, the BARTG Contest Manager. From 2010 the BARTG HF RTTY Contest will be

moved from March to the second weekend in June. [TNX F5NQL]

ANTARCTICA ---> Bob, K4MZU, Antarctic chaser and QSL manager for several US Antarctic stations, has set up an interesting website (www.k4mzu.net) featuring QSL galleries and an Antarctic Hams & Bases album. The site is in the beginning stages, and an Antarctic DX Chasers page is under construction. Anyone having photos of US amateur radio operators in Antarctica is encouraged to send them to Bob (oldbibles@...). [TNX K4MZU]

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
S04R Western Sahara 2009 Operation
E51QQQ North Cook Islands 2009 Operations
If you have had any QSLs rejected in a recent DXCC submission, please send an e-mail to dxcc@... to be placed on the list for an update. [TNX NC1L]

L33M ---> This is Dan's, LU3MAM recently issued contest callsign. QSL via LU1MA (Radio Club Cuyo, P.O. Box 232, 5500 Mendoza, Argentina). [TNX LU3MAM]

MM0RAI/P ---> The Belgian IOTA DXpedition to Rockall (EU-189, www.rockall.be) [425DXN 935] has been cancelled. The team departed Stornoway on 27 April with flat seas, but two days later, when they reached the island, the waves were too high for them to attempt a landing. "The weather is worsening by the hour and the weather forecast for the coming days does not give any hope", Theo (ON4ATW) said.

PIRATE ---> Pasquale, IW0HEX is receiving cards for contacts made with 5Z4/IW0HEX (30m CW) in August 2008. Please note that his callsign was pirated, as he never operated from Kenya. [TNX IW0HEX]

TI7KK ---> On-line logs and two photo galleries for the recent TI7KK IOTA activity from Isla San Jose, Murcielago Islands (NA-191) are now available on the expedition's website (http://www.ti7.info/). The team made 7757 QSOs (4990 CW, 2483 SSB, 284 RTTY) between 17 and 21 April. QSL via DK6AO, direct or bureau.

UN2C ---> One of our readers is looking for a reliable QSL route for UN2C: I "have sent two times to Box 121 (all DX lists)", he says, "but both returned as undeliverable". Is there anybody who can help?

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

V63TO ---> A few images of V63TO from Kapingamarangi Atoll (OC-167) can be found at http://dx-hamspirit.com/. Mike (KM9D) and Jan (KF4TUG) were active from there on 5-15 March, with additional QSOs made on 4 April using a QRP transmitter and a newly constructed antenna for 17 metres. They are currently in Honiara (OC-047), Solomon Islands, where they hold the

callsigns H44MY and H44TO.

WPX-CT AWARD ---> It is available to either licenced amateurs and SWLs for
contacts made with different callsign prefixes allocated to Portugal,
including Madeira and the Azores. Complete information can be found at
http://www.geocities.com/ct1bww [TNX CT1BWW]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2NB, 3D2RX, 3V8BB, 4L5O, 5B8AD,
5D0IPY, 5H1DF, 5N/LZ1QK, 5N0EVR, 6Y1LZ, 7Z1SJ, 8P9NX, 8Q7AK, 9H4CM, 9M6XRO,
A41MX, A43DLH, A61Q, A71BX/NDQ, A71CT, A71EM/NDQ, A92GR, AH0F/KH2, C4N,
C6AGU, CG2I (NA-128), CN2R, CN89NY, CN8YE, CO8LY, CQ3T, CX3CCC, DS1REE,
DV5PO, E51COF (OC-013), E51KAJ (OC-013), E51QQQ (OC-014), E70T, E7DX,
EA9PY, EL2DX, ET3JA, FK/JA1KAJ, FK8CP, FM1HM, FM5LD, FO5JV, FR5DN, FS5KA,
FW5RE, G4GIR/KH9, H44MS, H6VA, HD2A, HH4/AF4Z, HI3/N3SY, HK0/EA7HEJ,
HL1VAU/4 (AS-060), HR1AAB, HV5PUL, HZ1EA, J79WR, J7N, J88XF, JA1XGI/VK9X,
JD1BMH, JT1BH, JW/OZ1LXJ, JW/SM0MDG, KH6FI, KH7C, KH7X, LY3W, LY8O, LY90W,
NP4A, OA4O, OA4TT, OY9JD, P29IO, P40W, PJ2T, PJ4/K8GG, RO9O, S79MV, SN3R,
SU1KM, SV5/SM8C, SV9/DJ7RJ, SV9/HA6OI, T27A, T27OU, T32YY, T88WW, TF/G3SXW,
TF3CW, TF3GC, TG9AHM, TG9NX, TI8II, TJ3SL, TM7C (EU-064), TN5SN, TO4X,
TO5A, TO5DX, TT8JT, UA2FCC, UA2FT, UK8UWG, UK9AA, UN8LYA, V25WY, V26F,
V31YN/p (NA-180), V63WW, V6P, V73M, V7XX, V85NL, VK3IO, VK9AA, VK9CNC,
VK9DWX, VP2E, VP2EC, VP2V/SP3IPB, VP5/W5CW, VP8KF, VQ9JC, VU2PAI,
VU4AN/VU3RWP, W3A, XF3PAS (NA-090), XR3P, XR5L (SA-070), XU7ACY, XW1B,
XX9TCC, YI1RZ, YK1BA, YK9G, YL2CV, YN4SU, YU150AU, Z30MCWG, Z36A, ZB2FK,
ZD8UW, ZF2AM, ZF2NN, ZM1A, ZP6CW.

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9716. ARLP018 Propagation de K7RA

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Topic: 3817 Message: 9716

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ARLP018 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP18
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 18 ARLP018
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 1, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP018
ARLP018 Propagation de K7RA

The data at the end of last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP017 reported daily sunspot numbers from April 16-22 were six zeros, then 11, when in fact they were zero on every day until April 21, when it was 11, then zero again the next day, April 22. Just as many zero sunspot days -- and only one day with a sunspot -- but on Tuesday, April 21, and not April 22.

We had two additional days with a sunspot this week, Wednesday and Thursday, April 29-30. The sunspot number was 15 and 12 on those days. But this was another old Cycle 23 sunspot, and it appeared near the western limb, and may have either faded away completely or rotated out of view today, May 1. The data at the bottom of our bulletin shows seven days, Thursday through Wednesday for the reporting week, so the sunspot number of 12 for Thursday will appear in next week's data.

Now that we have all the data for the month of April, it is time to present our running 3-month average of daily sunspot numbers, centered on March.

The last time we presented this was four weeks back, in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP014 on April 3. We were hoping last Fall that the sunspot minimum was centered around August 2008, when we showed the three month average centered on that month with data from July through September at 1.1. The following two averages for September and October were 2.5 and 4.5, but then it began another decline, to 4.4, 3.7, 2.3 and 2.1 for November 2008 through February 2009.

The average daily sunspot number centered on March was just 1.5, so the decline continues. Why so low? From February 1 through April 30 we had very few days with sunspots, in fact only eleven. There was never more than one sunspot visible on each of those eleven days, and the highest sunspot number (an index which does not equal the number of sunspots) was just 15, and that was this last

Wednesday. That is not a high sunspot number, but we haven't had one that high since November 13, 2008 when the sunspot number was 16.

The only days with visible sunspots over the past three months were February 11-14 and 24-26, March 6-7, and April 21 and 29-30. That's it. And if you add all those sunspot numbers together on those dates, you get a sum of only 133. Divide 133 by the 89 days over those three months, and you get an approximation of 1.49438, or 1.5 to round it up.

Here are the latest 3-month averages of daily sunspot numbers:

Jan 07 22.7
Feb 07 18.5
Mar 07 11.2
Apr 07 12.2
May 07 15.8
Jun 07 18.7
Jul 07 15.4
Aug 07 10.2
Sep 07 5.4
Oct 07 3.0
Nov 07 6.9
Dec 07 8.1
Jan 08 8.5
Feb 08 8.4
Mar 08 8.4
Apr 08 8.9
May 08 5.0
Jun 08 3.7
Jul 08 2.0
Aug 08 1.1
Sep 08 2.5
Oct 08 4.5
Nov 08 4.4
Dec 08 3.7
Jan 09 2.3
Feb 09 2.1
Mar 09 1.5

So if we examine the 3-month averages since January 2007, we see what we thought was a minimum of 3.0 centered on October 2007, then another decline to 1.1 in August 2008, and now after rising slightly it has dropped again, to 1.5. And of course we have no way of knowing if next month the number will be lower or higher.

If you look at the sunspot numbers for the three days with sunspots in April -- April 21, 29 and 30 -- the numbers 11, 15 and 12 only add up to 38. Divide that by April's 30 days, and the average is about 1.267, less than the 3-month average ending yesterday. So if

we saw the same activity (or lack of it, actually) for May, we could see another decline at the beginning of June when we look at the averages centered on April. If by chance we have no sunspots at all through the end of May, that average would decline from approximately 1.494 centered on March to 0.681 centered on April.

Last week's bulletin mentioned the Weak Signal Propagation Reporter Network site at http://wsprnet.org/drupal/wsprnet/map. This week we heard from David Witkowski, W6DTW of San Jose, California, who said that WSPR was developed by Joe Taylor, K1JT, the 1993 Nobel Laureate in Physics who brought us WSJT and JT65. David recommends http://www.physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/wspr.html for getting set up. Also note the link selections on the left side of that page for info on WSJT and JT65.

WSJT is a mode for communicating via brief meteor scatter propagation, and JT65 is useful for moonbounce and troposcatter modes.

Last week's mention of the first signs of early 2009 E-skip season brought a response from Jon Jones, N0JK, who says most of the openings have been short, and best for those in Arizona, Texas, Florida and Central America. At the start of the season, conditions are better for the southern tier, but later E-layer openings improve further north. He sent a log of 6-meter contacts on April 22, from 2158-2206z on 50.125 MHz. N0JK (EM17) worked K9NU (EN44), VA2JOT (FN45ER) worked KI4FCQ (EM72NK), and UT1FG/MM worked K1TTT.

Last night (Thursday, April 30) Rob Geursten, N1KEZ of Beaverton, Oregon worked some unexpected DX on 20 meter PSK31 at 0545z. He copied a Bulgarian special event station, LZ2009KM, working many European Russians, and Rob worked Wolfgang, DL2MWB in Memmingen, Germany. He was surprised to find 20 meters open at this time of day. The sunspot number was 12 -- and 15 the day prior -- but a check with the W6ELprop software shows that with or without sunspots, communication over that path on the first of May is not surprising at that time of day, 10:45 PM at Rob's end. Run the numbers a month ago, and the path isn't there, but for this late in the Spring communication becomes more likely.

You can download W6ELprop at http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/. Don't miss an excellent tutorial for using this software, written by K9LA, Carl Luetzelschwab at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/W6elprop.pdf.

Bob Rumsey, KZ5R of Denton, Texas wrote in comparing current conditions to 45 years ago, during the minimum following Cycle 19.

He writes, "I would like to add a different perspective to the current solar minimum. Licensed originally at age 14 in 1962, I worked the HF bands diligently until I left for college in 1966. Unless I am mistaken, this was also a period of very low sunspot

activity (there was little understanding of it then) and as a General class on 50 watts of AM and using a 40 meter dipole and 2 element triband Yagi, I worked little to no DX. I remember an opening during a contest in 1965 when I worked G3CAZ and thought I had walked on the moon."

He continues, "From 1966 to 2006 I kept my license active but other than a stint with VHF in the 70s did little hamming. Then after retiring early and starting my own business, I once again had some time and felt the tug of the HF bands. I built up my station and was amazed at what the technology can now accomplish. Working either coast of the US is a day to day occurrence and Europe or Asia are quite frequent. So you can imagine my surprise when I began reading how we were once again in a solar activity downturn while I'm thinking, 'Wow this is great.' From November of 2006 when I put up my vertical disguised as flagpole, I have worked 106 countries running from 100-1000 watts. To me this is heaven and of course in 2006 conditions to me where what I remembered as normal. The vertical is my primary antenna since I live in a restrictive CC&R community."

He ends with, "So as you might have guessed, because of the current technology, I am actually quite happy with the current conditions and cannot wait to see what true solar activity will bring. The proverbial 'kid in a candy store' comes to mind. Thanks for letting me provide an alternative viewpoint on today's conditions."

Thanks Bob. Readers can check out Bob's bio on, http://www.qrz.com/kz5r.

I started in ham radio a few years after Bob -- in 1965 -- and one big difference is that back then I had a very poor receiver and most of my attempts at antennas didn't work very well. To look at the sunspot minimum back then, use the tool at, http://spaceweather.com/glossary/sunspotplotter.htm. This shows that the minimum between Cycles 19-20 was probably around the middle of July, 1964.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for April 23 through 29 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 15 with a mean of 2.1. 10.7 cm flux was 70.6, 69.7, 69.4, 69.2, 67.7, 68.8, and 69.5 with a mean of 69.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 5, 4, 5, 4, 2 and 3 with a mean of 3.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 5, 2, 3, 3, 2 and 3 with a mean of 2.6.
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/EX

9717. Re: [DX-IS] Electric Heating RFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 20:43:43 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 9706 Message: 9717

Phil Snyder wrote:
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> Has or is anyone using an electric underfloor heating system in their
> home? We are putting an addition on our home and I was wondering about
> putting one of those under floor electric radiant heat systems under the
> ceramic in the bathroom. It won't be used all the time, just something
> to warm the floor as we have a forced air furnace as well. To stay on
> topic, will this cause so much QRM that I won't be able to tell if the
> sunspots come back at all?
>
> Phil
> N9LAH
>
I've had such a system installed in my bathroom [directly under the
shack] for more than five years, and no problems to date. My system is
a single wire wound back and forth under the tile floor, sort of like
the heating coil in a toaster. There is no noticeable interference when
running, or when switching on/off.

Hope this helps.

73,

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

9718. Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 23:15:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9718 Message: 9718

I worked 3Y0Q tonight on 30M !!! Too bad he was booming S9+ out
of the Mediterranean area. Sigh . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

9719. 3Y0Q (HO HO HO)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-01 23:45:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9719 Message: 9719

I'll bet my sweet bippy that the guy signing 3Y0Q on 10119 is phonier than the proverbial three dollar bill. If nothing else, whoever he is, he's caused a bit of panic on 30M this evening. Because he's as strong as he is (or was), I suspect he's somehwere in Europe. I can only imagine why he chose "Q" as his suffix.

Ah well, there's not much else to do.

73

Al, VE1AL

9720. 3y

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-02 00:33:09 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9720 Message: 9720

3y unanounced? can't find in any bullitins-- many WFWL ops thouigh

Dale K8TS

9721. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-02 02:44:07 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9721

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 01 2221 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 121 Issued at 2200Z on 01 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1016 (S07W93)
produced a B2 flare at 01/0858Z as it approached the west limb.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the forecast period (02 - 04
May).
III. Event Probabilities 02 May-04 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 May 069
Predicted 02 May-04 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 01 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Apr 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 May-04 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 May-04 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9722. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-02 02:55:00 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9718 Message: 9722

Paul M Dunphy wrote:
>
> I worked 3Y0Q tonight on 30M !!! Too bad he was booming S9+ out
> of the Mediterranean area. Sigh . . .
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
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Paul, I listened on 10.119 for quite a while, but nil here. Finally fell asleep in front of the rig. Oh well

73,
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9723. Re: [DX-IS] 3Y0Q (HO HO HO)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-02 06:39:58 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9719 Message: 9723

I remember some years ago a station showed up on 20 SSB signing a 3Y0 call.
He had a Spanish accent. You could hear a baby crying in the background.
:-)
73, Zack W9SZ
On Fri, May 1, 2009 at 6:45 PM, Alan Leith <aleith@...tlink.ca> wrote:

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> the proverbial three dollar bill. If nothing else, whoever he is, he's
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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9724. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-02 06:47:29 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9718 Message: 9724

I highly suspect a Bouvet operation is not going to just appear unannounced.

Meybe there will be a real one some time soon. I don't think I am the only
one who needs it for an all-time new one!

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, May 1, 2009 at 6:15 PM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> I worked 3Y0Q tonight on 30M !!! Too bad he was booming S9+ out
> of the Mediterranean area. Sigh . . .
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
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9725. Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-02 12:20:55 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9718 Message: 9725

He was apparently having a lot of fun at the expense of many, including KN5O. I could hear both ends and he must have "worked" KN5O six times. He seemed eager to confirm the contact with KN5O. Then a minute or so would go by and he would call KN5O again. That, coupled with the strength of his signal, more or less indicated it was someone having a good laugh.

It wasn't totally out of the realm of possiblity. A couple of years ago I worked an Italian on ZD9 who was totally unannounced - and turned out to be very real.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...> wrote:
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9727. ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-02 23:57:20 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9727

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Thoughts?

73

Al, VE1AL

9728. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 01:32:41 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9727 Message: 9728

i dunno......probably cait spel......or maybe there prosigns for text messages?

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, May 2, 2009 7:57:20 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] ZZ???

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Al, VE1AL

9729. RE: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 01:41:12 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9729

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Just nitpicking because there's nothing else to do.

BTW, managed to pick up a few new IOTAs tonight, considering how awful conditions are.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Saturday, May 02, 2009 10:33 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

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Thoughts?

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Al, VE1AL

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.287 / Virus Database: 270.12.11/2089 - Release Date: 05/02/09
14:23:00

9730. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 02:37:21 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9727 Message: 9730

At 08:57 PM 5/2/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
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>CW by sending "ZZ" and I don't know what it means. Am I to assume that it
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>for CW that worked very well for more years than I have been hamming with
>people simply making their own CW abbreviations, probably because they
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>Thoughts?
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>Al, VE1AL

Times are changing, Al. I wish I could take credit for it, but it was Emerson who said "A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds." I was reminded of this recently by AA6YQ when a programming issue with the DX Labs software came up. (As an aside, an excellent DX software package!)

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I guess one has to think of Emerson and decide if the consistencies we set as a gold standards really matter. It sure matters that one sends 73 and not 21 or 65. It matters if we don't send our call at the end of the QSO. I find it strange that some send <SK> (which means "I'm done and nothing more will follow") followed by the ubiquitous tearful good bye complete with regards to the family and a promise to QSL for sure by the bureau, etc. However, a lot of OPs so it. Maybe the Ham interpretation of <SK> has changed.

If ZZ is becoming a commonly used "phrase" to replace CUL or equivalent, are we being foolish by insisting that this not happen? I don't know. In the written word, outside of Ham radio, many expressions and phrases have come and gone during the last century as the English language evolved. Some of the changes were good, and those who resisted them for the sake of doing so were indeed foolish. On the other hand, some of the "changes" we see are plain wrong. We should not deem misspellings, punctuation errors and poor grammar as acceptable. We should insist that proper names and

sentences begin with a capital letter and that words are spelled properly. I object to sentences like "al sez i is a lid lol" :-)

How far we push the consistency of CW abbreviations and the use of prosigns is harder to define. Ham CW is a product of amateurs loosely using commercial and military telegraphy standards. I believe Ham CW is close to what commercial and military CW was, but it is more relaxed and the format less rigid. In the 23+ years I have been on the air, I have seen subtle changes away from the "standard." I sure do not have the expertise to define Ham CW.

I guess as close as I can come is: "Did I understand what he just sent?" If I can't because he (or she) are mixing in their own weird abbreviations, then it is not right. Getting back to ZZ, if someone sent that to me prior to this discussion, I would have thought I had miscopied it and asked them to send it again. If I started hearing it a lot, and figured out it meant "I'm going QRT and going to bed", I suppose I would learn to accept it.

Jeez! This was going to be short and I've written a page! I'll go back to my original theme. Is the consistency necessary or just because "that's the way we've always done it?" Who knows?

73, Paul VE1DX

9731. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 02:40:54 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9731

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 02 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 122 Issued at 2200Z on 02 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No significant flare
activity occurred. The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the forecast period (03 - 05
May).
III. Event Probabilities 03 May-05 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 May 068
Predicted 03 May-05 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 02 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 May 002/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 May-05 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 May-05 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9732. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 02:47:20 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9727 Message: 9732

Alan Leith wrote:
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Some of us Old Goats who learned our way around from an older goat say zed when referring to a call sign, as in ZED EL 5 ABC or, I think I will turn to the Southwest to see if there are any ZED ELs or VKs on 15. My mentor was W5TVE(SK) who spent a lot of time on 15 during the cycle of 1958 working ZL's & VKs. He had a low budget single band 2 Element beam for 15, and he worked a ton of them. I can't remember the name of the company that built those antennas, but they had an ad in QST every month. Maybe some of you other OTs can remember. This is the same fellow who was an old NAVY op and copied CW on a Mill(Typewriter). I have told you-all about this fellow before. He was amazing. He could talk to me, smoke a cigarette, and copy cw all at the same time. While copying CW he didn't know what he had typed on the paper. The CW went in his head and out his fingers. He had to read it before responding to the other op.

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Date: 2009-05-03 03:02:18 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9733

Taken in that context, Paul, I guess I could accept "ZZ" as a legitimate prosign for "going to bed." However, if CW is supposed to be short and to the point, "GN" is shorter. "GN," "CUL" and "ZZ" all flow well, so what the hell, eh?

I think, however, that what I'm really saying is that the traditions of our hobby are not being followed. And while I certainly understand that times change and things are done differently, I honestly can't understand why changes that are completely unnecessary and, in the end, subvert the original intention to use CW to communicate quickly and efficiently, are becoming accepted. Misspelling and misuse of internationally understood CW abbreviations tends to slow down the understandability of what was an established concept. For example, the use of cut numbers in the name of efficiency. If the receiving station doesn't understand the abbreviation, how can that be considered efficient?

In fact, I don't often use "CUL" but just "CL" because it is shorter. I use "TKS" or "TNX" rather than "THKS" or "GX" (which I often hear). And when I call "CQ" I send "CQ" and not what I often hear these days: "YQ."

The first thing my Elmer had me do was learn CW. The second thing was to learn the most common CW abbreviations.

Consistency allows for greater efficiency.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
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To: DX IS!
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I guess one has to think of Emerson and decide if the consistencies we set as a gold standards really matter. It sure matters that one sends 73 and not 21 or 65. It matters if we don't send our call at the end of the QSO. I find it strange that some send <SK> (which means "I'm done and nothing more will follow") followed by the ubiquitous tearful good bye complete with regards to the family and a promise to QSL for sure by the bureau, etc. However, a lot of OPs so it. Maybe the Ham interpretation of <SK> has changed.

If ZZ is becoming a commonly used "phrase" to replace CUL or equivalent, are we being foolish by insisting that this not happen? I don't know. In the written word, outside of Ham radio, many expressions and phrases have come and gone during the last century as the English language evolved. Some of the changes were good, and those who resisted them for the sake of doing so were indeed foolish. On the other hand, some of the "changes" we see are plain wrong. We should not deem misspellings, punctuation errors and poor grammar as acceptable. We should insist that proper names and sentences begin with a capital letter and that words are spelled properly. I object to sentences like "al sez i is a lid lol" :-)

How far we push the consistency of CW abbreviations and the use of prosigns is harder to define. Ham CW is a product of amateurs loosely using commercial and military telegraphy standards. I believe Ham CW is close to what commercial and military CW was, but it is more relaxed and the format less rigid. In the 23+ years I have been on the air, I have seen subtle changes away from the "standard." I sure do not have the expertise to define Ham CW.

I guess as close as I can come is: "Did I understand what he just sent?" If I can't because he (or she) are mixing in their own weird abbreviations, then it is not right. Getting back to ZZ, if someone sent that to me prior to this discussion, I would have thought I had miscopied it and asked them to send it again. If I started hearing it a lot, and figured out it meant "I'm going QRT and going to bed", I suppose I would learn to accept it.

Jeez! This was going to be short and I've written a page! I'll go
back to my original theme. Is the consistency necessary or just because
"that's the way we've always done it?" Who knows?

73, Paul VE1DX

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9734. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:04:48 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9727 Message: 9734

Gotham Antennas...

73,
Bob
K2TK

Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
> He had a low budget single band 2
> Element beam for 15, and he worked a ton of them. I can't remember the
> name of the company that built those antennas, but they had an ad in QST
> every month. Maybe some of you other OTs can remember.
> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
> "American by birth. Texan by the grace of God*
>

9735. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:05:43 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9727 Message: 9735

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
> This is the same fellow who was an old NAVY op and copied CW on a Mill
> (Typewriter).
> I have told you-all about this fellow before. He was amazing. He could
> talk to me, smoke a cigarette, and copy cw all at the same time. While
> copying CW he didn't know what he had typed on the paper. The CW went in
> his head and out his fingers. He had to read it before responding to
> the other op.
>
> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
- -
Reminds me of the late Don Wallace, W6AM who would copy CW while playing cards and never writing anything down. He said it was just another language as English is to us and our QSOs on SSB (or DSB for the aged).
BTW my first call was VK2Zed I Zed as Zed is the name of the last letter in the alphabet.

73 de Rene

9736. RE: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:18:12 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9736

Can't resist.

Were Gotham antennas made in NYC? I never saw or used one but sure heard a lot of them on the air.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 12:05 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Gotham Antennas...

73,
Bob
K2TK

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> Element beam for 15, and he worked a ton of them. I can't remember
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> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
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9737. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:17:23 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9727 Message: 9737

BINGO! Thanks Bob, that was it. Guy had a 2 element 15 meter yagi on a 20 foot telescoping TV mast.

Bob wrote:
>
> Gotham Antennas...
>
> 73,
> Bob
> K2TK
>

9738. RE: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:15:22 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9738

Yeah, I remember your story and I'm sure there are lots of others with similar stories about their Elmers. My Elmer wasn't a military type, however, but was just an ordinary joe who loved ham radio. In fact, at 11 years of age, I quickly built up my speed and could whip off CW on a bug, something he never mastered. Much to the dismay of the radio inspector who gave me my test, I used my own bug. He wasn't able to use a bug to send back to me. I aced the test :-).

But I do know at least one fellow (never a military type) whose earliest interests were in traffic nets. He also taught himself to use a typewriter and to talk while typing. And then there was my late friend VE3WT who had spent years in the military typing cypher and whose ears had turned to tin. When Howard got home from the war, he never, ever again, listened to CW.

I, on the other hand, spend eight hours daily talking. I somewhat enjoy CW, for that reason.

And you didn't get the accent right, Mike, it isn't ZED EL, it is ZID EL. Just like it is ZID ESSE. And it is VEE KYE instead of VEE KAY.

GN my friend. I'm gonna catch some zees.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Sent: Saturday, May 02, 2009 11:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Alan Leith wrote:
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>
> No, I don't think so, Dale. I think it means "gonna catch some zees"
> as in "good night." But I can't be sure. "GN" has worked well for me
> for half a century. I hate the expression "gonna catch some zees"
> because I don't know what a "zee" is. Only America says "zee" and the
> rest of the world says "zed." My kids used to hate when I'd refer to
> ZZ Top as "Zed Zed Top." However, it is European stations who seem to
> use the "ZZ" signoff.
>
> Just nitpicking because there's nothing else to do.
>
> BTW, managed to pick up a few new IOTAs tonight, considering how awful

> conditions are.
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL

Some of us Old Goats who learned our way around from an older goat say zed when referring to a call sign, as in ZED EL 5 ABC or, I think I will turn to the Southwest to see if there are any ZED ELs or VKs on 15. My mentor was W5TVE(SK) who spent a lot of time on 15 during the cycle of 1958 working ZL's & VKs. He had a low budget single band 2 Element beam for 15, and he worked a ton of them. I can't remember the name of the company that built those antennas, but they had an ad in QST every month. Maybe some of you other OTs can remember. This is the same fellow who was an old NAVY op and copied CW on a Mill(Typewriter).
I have told you-all about this fellow before. He was amazing. He could talk to me, smoke a cigarette, and copy cw all at the same time. While copying CW he didn't know what he had typed on the paper. The CW went in his head and out his fingers. He had to read it before responding to the other op.

73,
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9739. huh?????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:31:55 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9739 Message: 9739

There appears to be two qso's going on here with the same subject.....*zz*

getting confused over antennas and zz's

73 es "full calls only"

Dale K8TS

9740. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:30:13 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9727 Message: 9740

Now your taxing the memory cells. I don't know.

They had the famous Gotham Vertical that you tuned by going out in the
yard and moving the tap on an open coil with an alligator clip.

I remember a quote that was either from W2JZS or W2TJD (SK's) about it.
"Buy a Heath Cantenna instead, it was cheaper and radiated better."

73,
Bob
K2TK

Alan Leith wrote:
> Can't resist.
>
> Were Gotham antennas made in NYC? I never saw or used one but sure heard a
> lot of them on the air.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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9741. RE: [DX-IS] huh?????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:38:34 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9739 Message: 9741

I actually haven't gone to zeeland yet.

The antennas were introduced to this conversation because they were (are) used to talk to the ZLs and ZSs. The ZLs and ZSs were introduced to the conversation because of the pronounciation of the letter ZED.

Follow along here, Dale. This thread is expanding and by the end of next week will have taken over the world.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 12:32 AM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] huh?????

There appears to be two qso's going on here with the same subject......*zz*

getting confused over antennas and zz's

73 es "full calls only"

Dale K8TS

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9742. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:40:04 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9727 Message: 9742

Florida (I was my first antenna other than some ribbon tv antenna wire)

Dale K8TS

"What in the world is electricity ? And where does it go after it leaves the toaster ?"

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob" <robertlarson@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, May 2, 2009 11:30:13 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Now your taxing the memory cells. I don't know.

They had the famous Gotham Vertical that you tuned by going out in the
yard and moving the tap on an open coil with an alligator clip.

I remember a quote that was either from W2JZS or W2TJD (SK's) about it.
"Buy a Heath Cantenna instead, it was cheaper and radiated better."

73,
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> lot of them on the air.
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9743. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:40:39 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9727 Message: 9743

Alan Leith wrote:
>
> Can't resist.
>
> Were Gotham antennas made in NYC? I never saw or used one but sure heard a
> lot of them on the air.
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>

I wondered that same thing. It was a good looking antenna. This fellow
was my next door neighbor, so I got a good look at it.

73,
Mike, W5UC
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9744. RE: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 03:43:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9744

I believe that was a widely held view of the Gotham antennas. But without having never had the opportunity or misfortune to use one (take your pick), I can't comment. In those days, I could only afford to make wire antennas and the odd quad element (notice, element -- not two). Bringing equipment and antennas in from the US was terribly expensive in those olden days -- duties and taxes -- I didn't have a lot of money then (and still don't) :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 12:30 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

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I remember a quote that was either from W2JZS or W2TJD (SK's) about it. "Buy a Heath Cantenna instead, it was cheaper and radiated better."

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9745. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 05:44:55 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9718 Message: 9745

And wasn't Chuck Brady's expedition to Bouvet unannounced at first also?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 5/2/09, Art Burke <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: Art Burke <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, May 2, 2009, 7:20 AM

He was apparently having a lot of fun at the expense of many, including KN5O. I could hear both ends and he must have "worked" KN5O six times. He seemed eager to confirm the contact with KN5O. Then a minute or so would go by and he would call KN5O again. That, coupled with the strength of his signal, more or less indicated it was someone having a good laugh.

It wasn't totally out of the realm of possiblity. A couple of years ago I worked an Italian on ZD9 who was totally unannounced - and turned out to be very real.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) " <w5uc@...> wrote:
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> Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> >
> > I worked 3Y0Q tonight on 30M !!! Too bad he was booming S9+ out
> > of the Mediterranean area. Sigh . . .
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> > 73, Paul VE1DX
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>
> Paul, I listened on 10.119 for quite a while, but nil here. Finally
> fell asleep in front of the rig. Oh well
>
> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
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9746. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 06:16:05 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9718 Message: 9746

No, I remember there was some announcement of it before it happened. It may have only been a week in advance but it was announced.

I never did work him while he was there.
:-(

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, May 3, 2009 at 12:44 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

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>
> And wasn't Chuck Brady's expedition to Bouvet unannounced at first
> also?
>
> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On *Sat, 5/2/09, Art Burke <aburkefl@...>* wrote:
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> From: Art Burke <aburkefl@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Saturday, May 2, 2009, 7:20 AM
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.
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9747. Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 11:54:21 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9718 Message: 9747

The guy who was there on a work assignment a year or so back was on sporadically, on nuttin' but 20M SSB. Most of the time I couldn't even hear him, much less work him. Then, about three days before his assignment was over, I heard him one day - unbelievably, in the clear and worked him. I was afraid it was a slim, it was so strong. Turned out to be the real McCoy!

I still want it on CW. Guess I'll have to wait till the solar flux screams up into the 70s and someone goes back.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> No, I remember there was some announcement of it before it happened. It may
> have only been a week in advance but it was announced.
>
> I never did work him while he was there.
> :-(
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Sun, May 3, 2009 at 12:44 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> > >
> > > And wasn't Chuck Brady's expedition to Bouvet unannounced at first
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> > >
> > > 73s John AA5JG
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> > > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!
> > > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > > Date: Saturday, May 2, 2009, 7:20 AM
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9748. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 12:08:50 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9727 Message: 9748

Bob, your leg is being PULLED !!!

GOTHAM => BATMAN :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, May 02, 2009 11:30 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Now your taxing the memory cells. I don't know.

They had the famous Gotham Vertical that you tuned by going out in the
yard and moving the tap on an open coil with an alligator clip.

I remember a quote that was either from W2JZS or W2TJD (SK's) about it.
"Buy a Heath Cantenna instead, it was cheaper and radiated better."

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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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9749. RE: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 13:24:34 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9749

Au contraire, mon ami, Dave. I asked a serious question. I have always wondered where the company that made a beam named Gotham was located. Well, I thought of it for some time. Maybe a little while. Well, I hadn't thought of it again until this thread began. But, since being reminded, I still am curious.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Deacon Dave
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 9:09 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Bob, your leg is being PULLED !!!

GOTHAM => BATMAN :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob <mailto:robertlarson@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, May 02, 2009 11:30 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

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9750. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 15:21:10 UTC
From: K0BX
Topic: 9718 Message: 9750

I was lucky enough to work Chuck Brady on SSB and RTTY while he was
there. He did not make very many RTTY contacts.

Joe K0BX

Zack Widup wrote:

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> No, I remember there was some announcement of it before it happened.
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> --- On Sat, 5/2/09, Art Burke <aburkefl@...
> <mailto:aburkefl@...>> wrote:
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> From: Art Burke <aburkefl@...
> <mailto:aburkefl@...>>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Date: Saturday, May 2, 2009, 7:20 AM
>
> He was apparently having a lot of fun at the expense of many,
> including KN5O. I could hear both ends and he must have
> "worked" KN5O six times. He seemed eager to confirm the
> contact with KN5O. Then a minute or so would go by and he
> would call KN5O again. That, coupled with the strength of his
> signal, more or less indicated it was someone having a good laugh.
>
> It wasn't totally out of the realm of possiblity. A couple of
> years ago I worked an Italian on ZD9 who was totally

> unannounced - and turned out to be very real.
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>,
> "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) " <w5uc@...> wrote:
> >
> > Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> > >
> > > I worked 3Y0Q tonight on 30M !!! Too bad he was booming
> S9+ out
> > > of the Mediterranean area. Sigh . . .
> > >
> > > 73, Paul VE1DX
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> >
> > Paul, I listened on 10.119 for quite a while, but nil here.
> Finally
> > fell asleep in front of the rig. Oh well
> >
> > 73,
> > Mike, W5UC
> > "American by birth. Texan by the grace of God*
> > http://www.the912pr oject.com <http://www.the912project..com/>
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9751. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 15:34:39 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9727 Message: 9751

Be curious no more. The answer is: Miami Beach, FL as shown in this ad reproduction on the W8JI site.

http://www.w8ji.com/gotham.htm

73,
Mike, W5UC
"American by birth. Texan by the grace of God*
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

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> since being reminded, I still am curious.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL

9752. RE: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 15:38:25 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9752

Thanks for the memory, Mike.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 12:35 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

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9753. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet on 30M !!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 15:26:02 UTC
From: k8ztt@mho.com
Topic: 9718 Message: 9753

He was strongest to the NE in CO, so that would tend to make one wonder where he was. Other than some "wasted time" (but if you are retired, you have plenty of that) and a few cents worth of wasted electricity (which might tend to upset the "greenies"), I look at it as a chance to practice your operating skills in making a contact in a pileup.

A definite "WFWL" one!

Dick K8ZTT

9754. Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 16:39:18 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9727 Message: 9754

Zed Zed Top. That's hilarious, Al!

Speaking of HR habits, it drives my wife crazy when I use 2 meter lingo (which I cannot stand either), like referring to myself in the plural: "We're going to listen for some DX today"

And "We're destinated" (meaning I am at my destination which I often hear on 2 meters).

Now the XYL does it to tease me back when we are talking via cell phone. Even w/o a license, she will say: "OK, dear, 73 or 88 or whatever, I am DESTINATED"

And sometimes she will tell me me "I can always tell when you're trying to break through a pileup. You get the adrenaline going and your voice starts BOOMING through the house. The neighbors are wondering again!"

Of course, the neighbors stopped wondering many years ago. They no longer think I work for the CIA (no I am not kidding, around the university here everyone thinks that big brother is around the corner). Now they just assume I am trying to talk with the "mother ship"

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

http://wd4elg.net

9755. Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 16:42:55 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9727 Message: 9755

Where have all the great Elmers gone? Oh duh, that's supposed to be us, right?

Well, I can't make the horse drink water even if I can lead it to the trough.

Not meant to be negative, but some (not all) of the kids today don't want anything but instant gratification and mommy/daddy to do the work for them (like everything else for them).

Maybe DX chasing requires too much patience, or not having a KW and stacked 6 element yagis to being with is not to their liking? Well, I will keep trying..

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

http://wd4elg.net

9756. Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 16:43:52 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9727 Message: 9756

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I laughed so hard that I had a headache and had to take a break.

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

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9757. Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 17:16:01 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9727 Message: 9757

All the information one wants to know is in Google. Google "gotham antennas" and there are many results.
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 5:08 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Bob, your leg is being PULLED !!!

GOTHAM => BATMAN :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, May 02, 2009 11:30 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ZZ???

Now your taxing the memory cells. I don't know.

They had the famous Gotham Vertical that you tuned by going out in the
yard and moving the tap on an open coil with an alligator clip.

I remember a quote that was either from W2JZS or W2TJD (SK's) about it.
"Buy a Heath Cantenna instead, it was cheaper and radiated better."

73,
Bob
K2TK

Alan Leith wrote:
> Can't resist.
>
> Were Gotham antennas made in NYC? I never saw or used one but sure heard a
> lot of them on the air.
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>
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9758. RE: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 17:18:44 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9758

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When he came to see me a few weeks later to complain about TVI, I suggested it was time he invested in cable. He did. The next year I bought a car from him (he was a car salesman) and hopefully he thought at that time it was a good thing he didn't tick me off.

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As for Gotham antennas, I can't remember anyone ever admitting to me that they were using one. On the other hand, in my youth and inexperience, I often drooled over those ads.

As for 2M lingo, there's so little activity on that band around here that I have dismantled my 2M rig. But I also used to gasp every time I heard someone say he/she was "destinated." But I think I may have said it, to be funny, at one time or another. I also probably used "we" in the royal sense but I've grown up. I also don't have a "personal" which I think is an import from CB but I often hear it nowadays on SSB. When I do have a QSO with someone who tells me their "personal" I go back and tell them I never had a "personal" but that I do have a name and it is.....

And a final comment on Elmers. I have always helped those who wanted to get a license. In fact, I taught code to many classes and several of those folks went on to get tickets. And occasionally I am approached by someone who says he/she is interested in getting a ticket. I tell that person to call me. Hardly ever does my phone ring. And, BTW, I am a volunteer examiner in Canada.

Today I can hear lots of stations on 20 CW but there's a couple of contests and QSO parties and nothing that tickles my fancy. As for SSB, I only go there when I'm desperate,

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 1:44 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

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9759. Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 17:39:00 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9727 Message: 9759

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Rene

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9760. help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 18:05:05 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9760 Message: 9760

I have inadvertently deleted a link to the Alpha-Delta antenna site sent to me by Bob, K2TK, earlier today. Although I found the site and read the information I needed, I need some anecdotal information from users of the Alpha-Delta DX-A twin sloper.

My earlier encounter with Alpha-Delta, with a five-band dipole, was less than starry. But this particular antenna looks like it might be somewhat more manageable for me with no elements that can get tangled in the wind.

What I need to know is how it performs, overall, and how it performs on each band. Does it tune 30M, 17M and 12M as claimed? I have no great expectations for 160 because I have no power there. But I'm interested in what it can do on 80 and 40 as well.

I have a buddy going to Dayton (I can't, sadly) and would get him to pick one up for me if I hear reasonable things about this antenna.

73

Al, VE1AL

9761. RE: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 18:07:39 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9727 Message: 9761

You may have a handle, Rene, but I have two. They're just above my belt.
I don't talk about them.

All other comments duly noted, and I concur, anything would be welcome
today, on any band.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
WB6PSY
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 2:39 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

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9762. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #907

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 18:25:34 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9762 Message: 9762

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 26th-April, through Sunday, 3rd-May there were 216 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI (IOTA Op). Akira, JA1NLX, will once again be active as 3D2YA from Mana Island (OC-121) in Mamanuca Group, between June 29th and July 3rd. Activity will be on 80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (w/SASE). Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

A3, TONGA (Update). Paul, A35RK, informs OPDX that Dave, A35KL, has been active on 80-15 meters with a couple of openings to Europe occurring on both 30 and 20 meters between 0600-0830z. Dave has 750+ QSOs in the log so far. On May 1st, Dave and Paul put up a G5RV antenna and worked W1MK on 80m CW at 0943z. Paul states that 40 meters appears to be open to North America at that time, but there have been very few takers on that band. He adds, "20 and 30 meters have been the 'money bands'." Dave will be departing Vava'u (OC-064) on May 5th, at which time Paul, A35RK, will become active using the G5RV. Paul will be there until June 1st, and possibly a bit longer signing A35RK/p. QSL A35RK/p via W7TSQ or via LoTW. Remember to QSL A35KL via W6ZL (w/SASE or IRC, or via LoTW).

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (Update). Philippe, F5LTB/9Q1TB, did not receive the callsign A65BK as first announced but did receive the callsign A65BI instead. He will be in France most of the month (May 6-20th), but expects/hopes to be active by the end of the month. Activity will be mainly on SSB. His QSL Manager will continue to be SM5DJZ, direct ONLY (eQSL are welcome for eDX100, eWAS and eZ40).

AH2, GUAM. Operators Lee/AH2Y and Harry/WX8C will be active as AH2Y during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/Single/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to HL1IWD.

C2, NAURU (Update/Change). Dani, EA4ATI/9M2TI, in Malaysia, informs OPDX some details have been changed for their DXpedition to activate Nauru in the Pacific (refer to OPDX.894). The callsign C21TI will remain the same as well as operating frequencies. However, Dani states, "Our webmaster (EA4YK) has changed the Web site as we had a lot of hackers..... The DXpedition is postponed to June and exact dates will be announced soon." Looking at the new Web page, dates have now been posted. Operation is expected to take place between June 16-26th. Visit their new Web page at: http://c21ti.madrono.net/index.html

DXCC NEW.............
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC Credit:
S04R - Western Sahara; 2009 Operation
E51QQQ - North Cook Islands; 2009 Operations
If you have had any QSLs rejected in a recent DXCC submission, please send an E-mail to <dxcc@...> to be placed on the list for an update.

* QSL CHECKING AT DAYTON HAMVENTION (Update). Bill Moore, NC1L, has revised/updated details on the QSL card checking to be done at the ARRL National Convention in Dayton. Checking will be done during all operating hours of the convention Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 15-17th, 2009. There are some important guidelines that will help make the card checking process run smoothly at the following Web page: http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards

E21, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, will be active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. JA stations QSL via JR5XPG and all others via E21EIC. Visit Champ's Web page at:

http://www.e21eic.net

E51SIX 6M DXPEDITION WRAP-UP. Lance, W7GJ, has put together a nice PDF file of his recent (March) 6m EME operation from Rarotonga in the South Cook Islands. All the photos in the PDF file are in high resolution, so you can zoom in on any detail in the photos if you wish. Read his story at: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/E51SIX.htm (20 pages, 60 MB)

FG, GUADELOUPE (Ilet Op). The radio club FG5KC Guadeloupe will try to activate three ilets (Kaouane, Caret and Fajou) on a day during the the first week of June. They are looking for some sponsors to help with the QSL cost. Visit their Web site for more news on their DXpedition: http://acra-radioclub.site.voila.fr

GB1, ENGLAND (Mill Op). Members of the Bittern DX Group are participating in the National Mills on the Air weekend by activating GB1WM from Weybourne Mill in Weybourne, North Norfolk, May 8-10th. Activity will be on all HF and VHF bands, including some Digital modes. Visit the Bittern DX Group's Web page at: http://www.bittern-dxers.org.uk

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-090. Slovenian operators Jane/S57L, Goran/S52P, Vinko/S53F, Brane/S56UGB and Silvo/S50X will be active as 9A8ZRS from Vela Palagruza Island (ACIA IC-901, CIA-33, IOCA CI-084, MIA MC-284, ARLHS CRO-012, CLH-100, WHL 9A-046, WLOTA 0057), July 20-31st. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10/6/2 meters using CW, SSB, PSK-31 and possibly other digital modes. They will also be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via the operator's instructions.

EU-094. French operators from the Eure et Loir area will be active as TM5EL from the Penfret Island (DIFM AT-059, WLOTA 0321, DPLF PB-038, WW Loc. IN87AR) between May 8-10th. Activity will be on open HF bands plus 6m, VHF, UHF and SHF using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are: Alain/F1LLS, Thomas/F4BCG, Patrick/F4FCS, Antoine/F5RAB, Christian/F6AXN, Francis/F6DPD and Dominique/F6HEQ. QSL via F6KHI, by the French REF Bureau or direct (with SASE).

EU-097. Ian, G4FSU, will be active as OH/G4FSU from Emasalo Emsalo Island (EU-097) between July 21st and August 16th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operations will be on or near the IOTA & QRP CW frequencies. QSL via his home callsign. More details can be found at: http://ian.greenshields.googlepages.com/emsalo

EU-124. Operators Alan/G0RCI, Pete/M0USY, Harry/G7DEH, Alan/G4VUA and Brian/M0JNC will be active from Holy Island, Wales, between June 24-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct only to G0RCI.

EU-189. The big disappointment of the week was that the Rockall Island operation did not take place. The rough seas and huge waves were the major factors that did not let the team land on Rockall. With both wind and sea conditions so bad on the way back, most of the team and crew on board the sail yacht Elinca were seasick and did not come out of their bunks, not even to eat. Some of the radio equipment got smashed onto the floor when the Elinca got pounded with a big wave. As this was being typed, no other news has been reported about the MM0RAI team since Friday. Please visit their Web site for latest news and updates at: http://www.rockall.be

NA-079. Operators Bill/WD2E and Sofia/AI4KQ will be active as WD2E/4 from the Dry Tortugas Islands, May 8-14th. QSL via WD2E, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-201. Ed, CO7PH, and possibly other Cuban operators will be active as T47D from Jardines de la Reina, probably from Cayo Anclitas, between July 24-31st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes, as well as an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via CO7PH (QRZ.com).

SA-071. Members of the Sao Paulo Association of Radioamadores (APRE) will be active as PT2T from Ilha da Moela (DIB SP-06, DFB SP-07, ARLHS BRA 043, TWLHD WLH PY-031, WLOTA 1335, WW Loc. GG65UW) between June 11-14th. Activity will include operations from blockhouses, islands and lighthouses of the State of Sao Paulo. Operators include Irineu/PY2IA, Marcelo/PY2OMT, Thiago/PY2TLB, Claudio/PY3NZ, Felipe/PU2OVA, Filipe/PU2TEA and Thiago/PU2TJQ. Operations will be on 80-2 meters, SSB only. QSL via PY2OP, direct or by the Bureau. For more info, go to: http://www.apre.com.br/moela

J8, ST. LUCIA. John, W5JON, will once again be operating from the hilltop QTH overlooking the Caribbean Sea and Marigot Bay in St. Lucia, between October 20-30th. His callsign will be J68JA. Reference numbers are: IOTA NA-108 and Grid Square FK93. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (including 60m) on SSB. He will use an ICOM IC-7000, KL-400 Amp (350 watts) into the following antennas: Alpha Delta DX-LB and DX-EE Dipoles, and a 3 element yagi on 6m. Activity will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W5JON. John adds, "As in the past, XYL Cathy/W5HAM will be very busy pool side."

JD1, OGASAWARA (A Very Early Notice!). Operators Kirk/JF3MYU, Ted/K8AQM, Brian/KG8CO, Paul/NF8J and possibly others will be operating from the Island of Chichijima (AS-031) in the Ogasawara Island group, March 25th through April 5th, 2010. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. More details are forthcoming as well as the QSL info and callsigns as they are issued.

JW, SVALBARD. Robert/LA9QNA and his XYL Gro will be active as JW9QNA from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen between July 17-22nd. Activity will include entries in the NA RTTY QSO Party (20m) and the CQ World Wide

VHF Contest. QSL via LA9QNA.

JW, SVALBARD. Ingrid/LA8FOA and Unni/LA6RHA, members of the Scandinavian YL Radio Amateurs (SYLRA), report that they planning an "expedition" to a part of Norway - remote but still very accessible, after the SYLRA meeting in Kolbotn (near Oslo), September 3-6th. Their plans are to get a group of YL operators (and possibly their OM) to activate the Longyearbyen radio station from Svalbard between September 6-13th. They have already received the callsign JW1SYL for the operation. For more details and updates, please visit the following Web pages at:
http://home.online.no/~la6rha/expedition_to_svalbard.htm
http://www.sylra.is/index2.html

K5, UNITED STATES (6m/Grid/LH/USI Op). Members of the "EL58 Grid Activation Group" will be active as K5N between May 29-31st (1700-1700z). Activity will be from the sandy beach facing the Gulf of Mexico in Grid Square EL58hx, ARLHS USA 1101 under the "Visual Site Rule" and a New USI Island (USI LA105S - Burwood Island, LA) (South West Pass). The operation will be 6 meters ONLY, consist of 2 stations with both SSB/CW, and M/S capability, two 6M5 antennas, and 6 operators. Power out will be approximately 200W. Operating frequencies are: 50.100/CW, 50.150/SSB and 50.315 Meteor Scatter. QSL via: Joey Fierro II, 1054 Cajun Ln, Magnolia, MS 39652. Operators mentioned are: Al/WA4EWV, Bill/K5YG, Bob/WN2E, Bruce/N5SIX, Daniel/KE5KDM and Danny/N5OMG. Visit their Web pages at:
http://www.kcvhfgridbandits.com/kc_vhf_grid_bandits_018.htm
http://w4abc.com/K5N.html

KP2/NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Larry/K3VX, William/W3WH, Ron/W3WN, John/W9UK and Carl/K9CS will active from here between May 28th and June 2nd. Operators will be signing homecall/KP2, but during the CQ WPX CW Contest, they will be signing NP2SH (possibly as a Multi-2 entry). QSL W3WN/KP2 via W3WN. QSL all others via K9CS.

LZ2009, BULGARIA (Special Event). Look for special event station LZ2009KM to be active from the HQ of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs between May 1-31st. Activity is to celebrate national "St. Kiril and Methodius Day" (creators of Cyrillic alphabet). Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSL via bureau to LZ1PJ. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. More information is available at: http://www.qrz.com/db/LZ2009KM

NEW ANTARCTIC WEB SITE. Bob, K4MZU, Antarctic Chaser and QSL Manager for several U.S. Antarctic Stations has set up an interesting Antarctic Web site at: http://www.k4mzu.net
On it you can see a very nice general Antarctic QSL Gallery and a more attractive U.S. Antarctic QSL Gallery, plus a wonderful Antarctic Hams and Bases Album. There are years of Antarctic passion in there! The site is in the beginning stages as there are more pictures coming in. An Antarctic DX Chasers Page is under construction and lets you see what kind of surprise is coming up! Also anyone having photos of U.S. Hams operating in Antarctica is encouraged to send them to K4MZU at:
oldbibles@...

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Juha/OH1JT, Jouko/OH1RX, Kari/OH2XX, Ari/
OH5DX, Tomi/OH6EI and Timo/OH6GLE will be active as OH0Z during the CQWW
WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W0MM.

ON100, BELGIUM (Special Event). Members of the Trudo Radioamateurs Club
(TRC), in Haspengouw, will be active as ON100PES during the entire year
of 2009. Activity is to celebrate Belgium's two scientific event. First
is to celebrate the 100th anniversary since Adrien de Gerlache led the
first Belgian expedition to the Antarctic on board the Belgica between
1897-1899. The second event took place on February 15th, of this year
with the inaugural opening of the Princess Elizabeth research station.
This research station is the first of its kind that follows the concept
of "Zero Emission". The callsign represents three elements. In ON100PES
the ON is the prefix for Belgium, 100 is the centenary for the pole
expeditions and PES is the abbreviation for Princess Elizabeth Station.
The special event QSL card (double format) will only be sent to all
stations who send their QSL card to ON4TRC. There will be an award given
those stations who work ON100PES on five bands. Activity will be on HF,
VHF/UHF and 2m/70cm. PLEASE NOTE: WAP has given ON100PES and ON100PES/p
the new reference number (WAP-175) valid for WAP Awards (WACA,WADA & ASEA).
More details are available at the WAP Web site: http://www.waponline.it

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
THERE HAS BEEN "ONE" REPORT. Someone reported receiving their K5D
Desecheo Island QSL card this past weekend. OPDX has NOT received an
official announcement yet (and it was too close to print time to verify),
but if true, it will keep the DXCC Card Checkers at the Dayton HamVention
busy. If you want to see a preview of the K5D QSL (as well as the
VK9DWX, ZS8T, and other) go to: http://sq8x.net

DON'T QSL VIA THE 3RD U.S. BUREAU! Fred Laun, K3ZO, Manager NCDXA/ARRL
Third U.S. Call Area QSL Bureau, reports that the following "should not"
be QSLed to the 3rd Bureau:
4L0ABC - K3PD was the QSL Manager, but became a "SK" on June 19th,
2008. NO QSL route known at this time.
4L0HQ - K3PD was the QSL Manager, but became a "SK" on June 19th,
2008. As to 4L0HQ, they understand that the new manager for
this station is UA9LP, so the 3rd U.S. Bureau now forwards
4L0HQ cards to him via the Russian Bureau.
5B/K3UY - The QSL info for this station is to the operator's home
callsign, RA3AUU.
7X5VRK - W3HC is NO LONGER the QSL Manager. As of April 8, 2008,
W3HC had retired from being a QSL manager. 7X5VRK has not
agreed to have anyone be his QSL Manager. The best advice,
QSL 7X5VRK direct, including sufficient means for return
postage.
HI8A - K3WGR is NOT the QSL Manager. For the last several years,
Chikin, the former HI8RV, has held the callsign HI8A. He
does NOT have a QSL manager and handles his QSLing duties
himself. Our understanding is that he does answer bureau
cards.
KO3A - Please note that the licensee of KO3A is YT6A. QSLs for

KO3A and 4O3A (ex-YT6A) go via AI4U (for USA/Canada stations)
or the Serbian Bureau.
KP2/W3AVO - Please be advised that the QSL Manager for this operation
is JA3AVO, the home callsign of the operator. They forward
such cards to the JARL Bureau.
LZ9W - AA3AX is NOT the QSL Manager. According to QRZ.com, the real
QSL Manager for LZ9W is LZ1ZD.
NP3U - QSL Manager is WP4U. PLEASE NOTE: Callsigns with the prefixes
KP3, NP3 and WP3 should go to Puerto Rico which has its own
QSL bureau at: Puerto Rico QSL Bureau, Box 9021061, San Juan,
PR 00902-1061. Puerto Rican stations are not served by the
3rd U.S. Bureau, and they have to forward cards received
for them to the Puerto Rican Bureau. Exceptions are WP3C,
WP3R, and NP4A which CAN be handled by this 3rd Bureau
because W3HNK is their QSL Manager.
SV/W3FN - (or W3FN/SV) Please note that the QSL route for this station
is the home callsign of the licensee, SV2BFN.
VQ9X - W3MR is NOT the QSL Manager. Please note that W3MR handles
VQ9 cards ONLY for his own VQ9 callsign, VQ9MR. QSL direct
ONLY.
WP4U - AA3BG is NOT the QSL Manager. Please note that WP4U handles
his own cards.
ZS4RY - K3IRV is NOT the QSL Manager for ZS4RY. QSL direct.

Fred states that for the QSLs which were received, the only recourse
(for most cards) are to forward such cards to their following perspective
QSL Bureau.

QSL T70A via: A.R.R.S.M. Radio Club, P.O. Box 77, 47890 San Marino,
REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO. Activity during the ARI International Contest.
Operators were: I4UFH, IZ4DPV, I4YSS, IK4UPB, IK2NCJ, IW2MJQ and IZ4EFN.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Ted, K8AQM, reports that the QSL route for the V63TR
2008 operation is no longer K5ZM, but QSL V63TR only to K8AQM. Look
for V63TR QSOs to soon be up on LoTW.

HAVE PATIENCE! More QSL cards are still being received for the many
UA4WHX operations. Vlad is still sending them out. Bill, W2AY, reports
he received QSLs for UA4WHX's African Tour for 81 QSOs (Request was
sent July 2007).

PIRATE ALERT! Pasquale, IW0HEX, informs OPDX that he has been receiving
QSL cards via the bureau for 5Z4/IW0HEX for activity dated in August
2008, on 30 meters CW. He states that he has never been in Kenya and
this is someone abusing his callsign. DO NOT send for this QSO! All
info about Pasquale's radio activity can be found on:
http://www.iw0hex.it

ZF2BI QSLS. Jim, K4BI/ZF2BI, reports: "I am the QSL Manager for all
QSOs by ZF2MU (My first ZFcall, period 1988-2001) and ZF2BI (2002 to
the present date). My QSL policy has been and remains direct only
w/SAE and postage (green stamps). I do not respond to QSLs received

without them and the same for the many cards received via the Bureau."

QSLS VIA LOTW: D4C, KH7X, VQ9HB and TL0A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5H1DF, 5N0EVR, 7Z1SJ, CO8LY, E51KAJ, E51QQQ, FK/JA1KAJ, HK0/EA7HEJ, JA1XGI/VK9X, JD1BMH, K5D, OA4O, T32BE, T88WW, V63WW, V73M, VK9DWX, VP8KF, VU2PHD, YI1RZ, ZF2NN and ZM1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

SOLAR CYCLE 24 (Ed. Or is 23 still?) WEB SITE. Some say we are still in Solar Cycle 23 (which mean the cycle is 13 years old), but anyway, you decide. A Web page is available for those who believe we are in Solar Cycle 24. It is put together by Kevin Gibeau, VE3EN, tracking the new solar cycle. This interesting site has plenty of information and updates every two minutes using a wide range of sources. Give it a look at: http://www.solarcycle24.com

SUITSAT-2 NEWS. Gould, WA4SXM, reports that they will be demonstrating the SuitSat-2 system at the Dayton HamVention. They will have a complete SuitSat system for demonstration at the AMSAT events. YOU DO NOT KNOW WHAT SUITSAT IS? Go to the following Web pages for the info: http://www.suitsat.org/ http://suitsat2.org/ http://suitsat2.com/ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SuitSat http://www.issfanclub.com/node/5506

SV5, DODECANESE (EU-001). Ralph, DL9MWG, and his XYL are on their annual holiday, this time to the Island of Rhodes (EU-001). Look for Ralph to be active until May 17th. He will be using an IC-7400 w/100 watts and a G5RV antenna operating mainly on CW on all HF bands. QSL via DL9MWG, direct or by the Bureau.

TP60, FRANCE (Special Event). To celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe, look for TP60CE to be active between May 8-10th. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr

VC2, CANADA (Zone 2/Special Event). Operators Lajos/VE3NE, Paul/VE3TA and Bob/VE3CWU will activate VC2A from Zone 2 in at Sept-Iles, QC, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via VE3TA. VC2A is a special callsign being used to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Flight in Canada.

YOUNG BRIT CAME OUT AS WINNER OF RADIO ARCALA ESSAY CONTEST. In a press release by Jarmo, OH2BN: "It was in February 2009 when the team at Radio Arcala, OH8X launched an essay contest to get some fresh ideas from today's youth and their elders to boost recruitment to the ranks of Amateur Radio. Great participation was ensured and determining the winners took some effort from a multinational jury representing six nations. A 19-year old Briton, Mark Dumpleton, 2E0NCG came out as winner by a fair margin while two U.S. hams, John Scott Anderson, KC9OQO and Brian Wood, W0DZ , finished in second and third place respectively. Argentinian Diego Salom, LU8DX, was

recognized for his submission of the best Spanish language piece. You can read Mark's piece and his interview at <http://www.radioarcala.com> under the 'Young People Terms' button and get your personal inspiration to do your share for Amateur Radio."

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9763. Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 18:38:49 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9727 Message: 9763

Admission of guilty on said antenna. Insulated it from ground with rubber radiator hose. Never got it to resonate, did not understand the radial therory. Call was wn8nsf.....nobody told me. hi hi

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...stlink.ca>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 3, 2009 2:07:39 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

You may have a handle, Rene, but I have two. They're just above my belt. I don't talk about them.

All other comments duly noted, and I concur, anything would be welcome today, on any band.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 2:39 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Notes in black

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
When I moved to a new location, just a couple of hundred feet from Lake Ontario back in the early 80s I installed my tower and 4-el 20M monobander and a DB10-15 atop that. One of my new neighbours came to my yard and after looking at those beams said to me, "I bet you can get some pretty distant TV stations with that." Cable was available and while there were a few little towers with TV antennas, this was something he'd never seen before. I asked him how he watched TV and he told me he had an antenna in his attic.
The other day someone commented on my 10m 5 el mono and I told them that it was for when the analog/digital switchover happens next month
When he came to see me a few weeks later to complain about TVI, I suggested it was time he invested in cable. He did. The next year I bought a car from him (he was a car salesman) and hopefully he thought at that time it was a good thing he didn't tick me off.

As for the Zed Zed Top thing, Mark, I like to, in a serious conversation, completely murder a word and quickly visually scan to see if the error was detected. I wouldn't, of course, do it in a situation where it was inappropriate. One of my favourites is "irregardless." Irregardless is a non standard contraction of irrespective and regardless and if used enough will become standard

As for Gotham antennas, I can't remember anyone ever admitting to me that they were using one. On the other hand, in my youth and inexperience, I often drooled over those ads. Don't recall anyone using one in L.A.
As for 2M lingo, there's so little activity on that band around here that I have dismantled my 2M rig. But I also used to gasp every time I heard someone say he/she was "destinated." But I think I may have said it, to be funny, at one time or another. I also probably used "we" in the royal sense but I've grown up.
Remembering back to AM 2 meters 'destinated' has always been used
 I also don't have a "personal" which I think is an import from CB but I often hear it nowadays on SSB. When I do have a QSO with someone who tells me their "personal" I go back and tell them I never had a "personal" but that I do have a name and it is.....
The 'first personal' comes from CB but we have 'handles' don't we?
And a final comment on Elmers. I have always helped those who wanted to get a license. In fact, I taught code to many classes and several of those folks went on to get tickets. And occasionally I am approached by someone who says he/she is interested in getting a ticket. I tell that person to call me. Hardly ever does my phone ring. And, BTW, I am a volunteer examiner in Canada.
My Elmer got me started, issued my first test for Technician and when I went on to pass the Extra exam at the FCC he couldn't pass - failed the theory so I spent some time with him and his next trip down he passed - what goes around comes around! I gave up Volunteer Examiner when I found some improprieties.
Today I can hear lots of stations on 20 CW but there's a couple of contests and QSO parties and nothing that tickles my fancy. As for SSB, I only go there when I'm desperate,
Desperate? You don't know that meaning until you only have 10 metres. At this point a JA would be welcome .... ..

73

Al, VE1AL

Rene

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 1:44 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

I was just thinking the same thing about Gotham antennas!

Take a look on eham.net, the reviews on Gotham are sad but also hilarious. I laughed so hard that I had a headache and had to take a break.

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

http://wd4elg.net

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com

Version: 8.5.287 / Virus Database: 270.12.11/2089 - Release Date: 05/02/09 14:23:00

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.287 / Virus Database: 270.12.15/2093 - Release Date: 05/02/09 14:23:00

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.287 / Virus Database: 270.12.11/2089 - Release Date: 05/02/09 14:23:00

9764. Re: [DX-IS] help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 18:50:11 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9760 Message: 9764

Google 'alpha-delta antenna and click on eham.
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----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 11:05 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] help

>I have inadvertently deleted a link to the Alpha-Delta antenna site sent to
> me by Bob, K2TK, earlier today. Although I found the site and read the
> information I needed, I need some anecdotal information from users of the
> Alpha-Delta DX-A twin sloper.
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> My earlier encounter with Alpha-Delta, with a five-band dipole, was less
> than starry. But this particular antenna looks like it might be somewhat
> more manageable for me with no elements that can get tangled in the wind.
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> What I need to know is how it performs, overall, and how it performs on
> each band. Does it tune 30M, 17M and 12M as claimed? I have no great
> expectations for 160 because I have no power there. But I'm interested in
> what it can do on 80 and 40 as well.
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> I have a buddy going to Dayton (I can't, sadly) and would get him to pick
> one up for me if I hear reasonable things about this antenna.
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL

9765. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-03 22:31:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9765

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 03 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 123 Issued at 2200Z on 03 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 02/2100Z
to 03/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 02/2100Z to 03/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels durings days 1 - 2 (04 - 05 May).
Field activity is expected to increase to unsettled levels on day 3
(06 May) with a chance for active levels at high latitudes due to a
recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 04 May-06 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 03 May 069
Predicted 04 May-06 May 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 03 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 02 May 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 03 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 04 May-06 May 005/005-005/005-010/012
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 04 May-06 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/25
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9766. Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 01:44:25 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 9727 Message: 9766

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AB9M

From: WB6PSY
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 12:39 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
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Topic: 9727 Message: 9767

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9768. Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 02:34:36 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9727 Message: 9768

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Date: 2009-05-04 02:49:06 UTC
From: Alan Leith
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-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 11:35 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

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Yahoo! Groups Links

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 02:56:40 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9727 Message: 9770

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9771. Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 10:44:23 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9727 Message: 9771

I have to be careful with the "we" talk as well, since my wife is also licensed. I think the ham "we" drives me more crazy than any other word or "jargon" I hear on ham radio.

"We bought a new mic...."
"We have a blah blah blah here..."
"We worked 'em on ...."

When I hear that I'm always tempted to ask if he has a frog in his pocket!

It's interesting that one never seems to hear a YL say that unless she really means the plural form - i.e., she and her hubby are both licensed.

A number of people I meet seem somewhat envious that my wife is licensed (and chasing DX). It isn't all roses! We live on a rather small piece of property. Without making the place look really unusual, there's really only room for the one tower and a couple of pieces of wire. Consequently, although we have our own rigs and operating stations, we have to share the "antenna farm." It creates complications where, like yesterday, I was working the 7QP, INQP, MARAC CW and NEQP and surrender the antenna so Marsha can work TL0 on 12M. Fortunately, for those outside the respective areas, those contests are not the variety that create enormous high-count runs.

Got V8AQM verified via LotW yesterday as well - that made my day!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Lunday, WD4ELG" <mlunday@...> wrote:
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> (which I cannot stand either), like referring to myself in the plural:
> "We're going to listen for some DX today"
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> And "We're destinated" (meaning I am at my destination which I often hear on
> 2 meters).
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> Now the XYL does it to tease me back when we are talking via cell phone.
> Even w/o a license, she will say: "OK, dear, 73 or 88 or whatever, I am
> DESTINATED"
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> And sometimes she will tell me me "I can always tell when you're trying to
> break through a pileup. You get the adrenaline going and your voice starts
> BOOMING through the house. The neighbors are wondering again!"
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> Of course, the neighbors stopped wondering many years ago. They no longer
> think I work for the CIA (no I am not kidding, around the university here
> everyone thinks that big brother is around the corner). Now they just
> assume I am trying to talk with the "mother ship"
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9772. Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 10:52:42 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9727 Message: 9772

Amen. If it's heavy-duty DX, the linear gets turned on quickly. Otherwise, I've been running lots of contests lately with only 100W. Less noise and less futzing.

During one of the recent "biggies" I was pleasantly surprised when I was able to work a series of JAs on 40M (CW) running only the 100W. Openings to that side of the world from here are almost as rare as 10M openings. I do hear JM7OLW several times a week on 40M CW early in the morning around sunrise, but you can only work one guy so many times!

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Date: 2009-05-04 10:59:37 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9727 Message: 9773

You have my sympathy! I've been licensed a little over 30 years and I've never had a decent antenna for 80M. The only time I ever owned any property suitable for a vertical with lots of radials was while my late wife was still alive. Although supportive of my hobby, she, at times, felt overwhelmed. An 80M vertical in the front yard would have been met by the "stare of death!" (One of her favorite expressions when she would tease me about something we were fussing about was - 'Don't stare at me with that tone of voice!')

Consequently, my 80M antenna has always been either an inverted vee, a 1/4 wave sloper, a doublet or a G5RV. Did manage to work 5BDXCC many years ago (#2269 in 1987), but only at 193 confirmed at the moment.

I really don't even lust for a beam on 80. Sufficient real estate for a four-square would be nice!

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9774. Re: [DX-IS] KG4 callsign "rules" ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 12:05:49 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9727 Message: 9774

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Thanks and 73
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9775. Re: [DX-IS] KG4 callsign "rules" ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 12:26:37 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9727 Message: 9775

I don't worry about such things, but I think you may have the key inside your very question.

IS a 2 letter suffix => GITMO ?
Is a 3 letter suffix => CONUS/USA?

DD, W1MCE
----- Original Message -----
From: Frank T Brady
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9776. Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 13:31:15 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9727 Message: 9776

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> I have to be careful with the "we" talk as well, since my wife is also
> licensed. I think the ham "we" drives me more crazy than any other word or
> "jargon" I hear on ham radio.
>
> "We bought a new mic...."
> "We have a blah blah blah here..."
> "We worked 'em on ...."
>
> When I hear that I'm always tempted to ask if he has a frog in his pocket!
>
> It's interesting that one never seems to hear a YL say that unless she
> really means the plural form - i.e., she and her hubby are both licensed.
>
> A number of people I meet seem somewhat envious that my wife is licensed
> (and chasing DX). It isn't all roses! We live on a rather small piece of
> property. Without making the place look really unusual, there's really only
> room for the one tower and a couple of pieces of wire. Consequently,
> although we have our own rigs and operating stations, we have to share the
> "antenna farm." It creates complications where, like yesterday, I was
> working the 7QP, INQP, MARAC CW and NEQP and surrender the antenna so Marsha
> can work TL0 on 12M. Fortunately, for those outside the respective areas,
> those contests are not the variety that create enormous high-count runs.
>
> Got V8AQM verified via LotW yesterday as well - that made my day!
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, "Mark Lunday,
> WD4ELG" <mlunday@...> wrote:
> >
> > Zed Zed Top. That's hilarious, Al!
> >
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> >
> > Speaking of HR habits, it drives my wife crazy when I use 2 meter lingo
> > (which I cannot stand either), like referring to myself in the plural:
> > "We're going to listen for some DX today"

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> >
> > And "We're destinated" (meaning I am at my destination which I often hear
> on
> > 2 meters).
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> >
> > Now the XYL does it to tease me back when we are talking via cell phone.
> > Even w/o a license, she will say: "OK, dear, 73 or 88 or whatever, I am
> > DESTINATED"
> >
> >
> >
> > And sometimes she will tell me me "I can always tell when you're trying
> to
> > break through a pileup. You get the adrenaline going and your voice
> starts
> > BOOMING through the house. The neighbors are wondering again!"
> >
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> >
> > Of course, the neighbors stopped wondering many years ago. They no longer
> > think I work for the CIA (no I am not kidding, around the university here
> > everyone thinks that big brother is around the corner). Now they just
> > assume I am trying to talk with the "mother ship"
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> >
> > Mark Lunday
> >
> > WD4ELG
> >
> > wd4elg@...
> >
> > http://wd4elg.net
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9777. Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 14:08:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9777 Message: 9777

At 10:31 AM 5/4/2009, you wrote:

>Multiple personalities.
>:-)
>
>73, Zack W9SZ

A lot of people complain about the use of "we" and I admit it doesn't make a lot of sense. That said, is it really a CB think or a Ham thing? I've heard it used by a lot of old timers who were 40-50 year veterans when I got licensed 23 years ago. I always thought it as part of the amateur culture. All of Hugh Cassidy's DX Bulletin articles were full of it from 1967-1978. Whatever its origin, and however much it irritates some people, it has been around a lot longer than most of us have been on the air.

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Does anyone know where "we" really came from? I never operated CB and never listened to CB conversations so I have no idea if it was/is used there. Even if it is, I assume it was use before or at the same time by Hams.

73, Paul VE1DX

9778. Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 14:41:19 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9777 Message: 9778

We is correct it means Me, Myself, and I.

Although no frogs here I do remember being asked if I had a squirrel in
my pocket
and that was when I was a kid back in antiquity.

The use or misuse of we is not confined to ham radio or CB, I hear it
all the time.

73,
Bob
K2TK ex KN2TKR, K2TKR

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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9779. RE: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 15:54:36 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 9777 Message: 9779

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When I hear someone say 'we' inappropriately, I generally ask if they have a mouse in their pocket, since it's unclear who 'we' are.

Nelson, KU0A

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 9:09 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

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73, Paul VE1DX

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06:00:00

9780. RE: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:02:09 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 9777 Message: 9780

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9781. The Editorial We

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:05:37 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 9781 Message: 9781

For some reason, the text of my two previous posts was stripped by the server, so here is my last attempt to address the editorial we.

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Nelson, KU0A

9782. RE: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:13:50 UTC
From: kq6i@arrl.net
Topic: 9777 Message: 9782

Paul VE1DX
[I never operated CB and never listened to CB conversations] one of the lucky few.

Craig
kq6i
Peace, Long-life, and gud DX!

peace loong life and gud dx !

-----Original Message-----
From: Paul M Dunphy [mailto:list_dx@...]
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 8:09 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

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73, Paul VE1DX

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9783. Re: [DX-IS] KG4 callsign "rules" ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:25:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9727 Message: 9783

Correct, DD. I just put KG4xxx in DXview and it came up United States. Then I put in KG4xx and it came up Guantanamo Bay. No problemo.

73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 5:26 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] KG4 callsign "rules" ?

I don't worry about such things, but I think you may have the key inside your very question.

IS a 2 letter suffix => GITMO ?
Is a 3 letter suffix => CONUS/USA?

DD, W1MCE
----- Original Message -----
From: Frank T Brady
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 8:05 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] KG4 callsign "rules" ?

I just found yet another bug in my home brew logging program.
It had erroneously credited bands for Guantanamo Bay for qsos with
callsigns KG4WEL, KG4BBK, and KG4TUY.
Qsos with KG4RN and KG4SB were legitimately Guantanamo Bay, while the
others were all USA.

I was able to add code that looks up all KG4 callsigns in QRZ to verify
they are actually in Guantanamo Bay.

However, if a KG4 callsign can operate in Guantanamo Bay and USA, there
is no way to automate the identification.

Are there any 'rules'?
e.g., KG4xx is Guantanamo Bay and KG4xxx is USA?

I'll be calling ARRL when they are in - but I was wondering if anyone
else has this problem?

Thanks and 73
Frank w0ecs

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9784. Encomm in other countries

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:31:26 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9784 Message: 9784

I think most US hams would have to agree that the focus of the ARRL and most local clubs has gone totally over using ham radio for emergency communications and public service since 9/11 (it was already heading that way before but once homeland security started throwing out money-look out!). I wonder, though, if this obsession with using ham radio for ENCOMM has also taken root in other countries of the world, or is ham radio still viewed mainly has a hobby there for ragchewing, DXing, and contesting?

73s John AA5JG

9785. 4U1UN in 1992 June VHF contest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:34:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9785 Message: 9785

Does anyone on the list know who the operator(s) were for 4U1UN in the 1992 June VHF contest, or who might have the logs for that operation? Still hoping for a 4U QSL on 6m for a new DXCC confirmation there.

73s John AA5JG

9786. Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:31:51 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9727 Message: 9786

Kinda like me, myself and I so I sez to myself, self......
Again, CB jargon drifted up (or down) to the ham bands.

73 - we're gone - Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 6:31 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: ZZ???

Multiple personalities.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

9787. RE: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 16:44:46 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9777 Message: 9787

At 01:13 PM 5/4/2009, you wrote:

>Paul VE1DX
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>the lucky few.
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>kq6i
>Peace, Long-life, and gud DX!

Just to clarify, I didn't mean this to look unfavourably on CB operators. I just came up the SWL/"listening to the RO on the ship" ladder as opposed to the CB ladder. Many good operators were CBers, and I'm told by a lot of the clubs that the guys who "get things done" are often EX:CB ops.

CB never appealed to me, and my first radio transmission was with my Maritime Compulsory Radio license (I used to relay the weather conditions to the Coast Guard stations because the ship's operators got sick of doing it, and I thought it was the greatest thing in the world!)

Anyhow, a lot of Hams tend to use the term CB as though it a negative thing. I don't see that, but having no personal knowledge of CB, I can't say for sure. I think anything we do that seems elitist is not a good thing for the hobby. I was called elitist by a list member for mentioning my DXCC totals, so you never know when or what you say will offend others.

Seeing as we are on the topic of Ham grammar, why do we call our radios "rigs?" A rig conjures up visions of a home made piece of junk! I don't think, outside the context of Ham radio, a $10,000-$12,000 radio like a IC-7800 or a FT-9000 would be referred to as a "rig."

It is almost certainly part of the tradition that grew out of guys building their own transmitters and receivers from surplus gear. Indeed some of the contraptions they built, while they worked, were indeed rigs!

What I wouldn't give for a few sunspots right now . . . sigh.

73, Paul VE1DX

9788. Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 17:56:09 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9777 Message: 9788

I used CB in the 60's & 70's, mainly for desert search and rescue. My mentor told me to talk on CB the same way as on the telephone (sans expletives) so I never used CB jargon like 73rds & 88's, good buddy, first personal, contact, we this and that and a myriad other terms. Likewise on the ham bands. I don't use fine business, working conditions, OM or WB6PSY for ID (what else is a callsign for if not for id?). Don't use 'handle' either as name works just fine. I don't tell the rare DX my name, antenna and height, weather conditions and family names, etc. I may have said 'destinated' on 2m though. The Urban dictionary defines destinated as arrived at ones intended location. One of these years a FJ ;-)
OBTW, I've asked this before with no response. How does one send 73's on CW?

73 de Rene
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kq6i
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9789. RE: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 17:59:56 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9777 Message: 9789

You don't, the term is already in the plural form. To say 73's is like saying

..."Best Regards's"... , even the new F&W Broken English Dictionary doesn't

have that one, yet !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: tagteam@...
Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 10:56:09 -0700
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

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9790. Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 18:08:55 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9777 Message: 9790

I don't send "73s" (plural) on CW. I just send "73". But come to think of it, I have heard a few stations send "MNI 73".

The "161" which I believe was started by the FOC seems to be more commonplace among people who aren't in FOC these days.

73, Zack W9SZ

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> mentor told me to talk on CB the same way as on the telephone (sans
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> 73 de Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
> kq6i
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9791. Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 18:17:45 UTC
From: John Vickers
Topic: 9777 Message: 9791

Rene,

_ _ ... ... _ _ . _ _ _ _ . ...

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3's to ya Rene,
WA4TT
----- Original Message -----

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9792. Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 18:23:27 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9777 Message: 9792

At 03:08 PM 5/4/2009, you wrote:

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>think of it, I have heard a few stations send "MNI 73".
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>commonplace among people who aren't in FOC these days.
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>73, Zack W9SZ

The 73 vs 73s (not 73's) argument has been made many times. Yes, the literal translation of 73 is "Best Regards" and saying BEST 73s logically expands to BEST BEST REGARDSS. However, I have images of QSL cards dating back to 1920 that are signed 73s. This evidence has been used to further the argument of the 73s camp. The position taken is that it was done 80-90 years ago and thus is part of Ham radio history.

I don't use 73s because of the literal expansion it creates as described above, but some do. They claim if it was OK for 1AW to do it, then it is OK for them to so it.

Realise we are amateurs, not professional telegraphers. Ham speak and Ham CW is not the same as the military and commercial ROs used -- close, but not the same.

161 indicates FOC membership. I suppose we all can use it (just as we all can write BEng or PhD after our name), but it doesn't make us an FOC member, an engineer or a doctor!

73, Paul VE1DX

9793. Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 20:42:26 UTC
From: WB6PSY
Topic: 9777 Message: 9793

Tnx John,
I had to look up . _ _ _ _ . as I didn't know that one, ...
Oh, yes .... .. is ham speak!
Never done code on the air - Rene
3's back atcha rascal
----- Original Message -----
From: John Vickers
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 11:17 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

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9794. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-04 22:16:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9794

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 04 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 124 Issued at 2200Z on 04 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 03/2100Z
to 04/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 03/2100Z to 04/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels on day one (05 May). Field activity
is expected to increase to unsettled levels on days two and three
(06 - 07 May) with a chance for active levels at high latitudes due
to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 05 May-07 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 May 068
Predicted 05 May-07 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 04 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 May 002/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 04 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 05 May-07 May 005/005-010/012-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 05 May-07 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/25/15
Minor storm 01/05/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9795. Re: [DX-IS] Encomm in other countries

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 02:12:04 UTC
From: Jay Musikar
Topic: 9784 Message: 9795

I'm a bit confused. What is "Encomm"? Do you mean "Emcomm"?

73,
Jay/AF2C

--- On Mon, 5/4/09, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
From: John Geiger <aa5jg@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Encomm in other countries
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, May 4, 2009, 12:31 PM

I think most US hams would have to agree that the focus of the ARRL and most local clubs has gone totally over using ham radio for emergency communications and public service since 9/11 (it was already heading that way before but once homeland security started throwing out money-look out!). I wonder, though, if this obsession with using ham radio for ENCOMM has also taken root in other countries of the world, or is ham radio still viewed mainly has a hobby there for ragchewing, DXing, and contesting?

73s John AA5JG

9796. Re: [DX-IS] Encomm in other countries

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 02:20:49 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9784 Message: 9796

Yes, That is what I meant. Sorry

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 5/4/09, Jay Musikar <af2c@...> wrote:

From: Jay Musikar <af2c@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Encomm in other countries
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, May 4, 2009, 9:12 PM

I'm a bit confused. What is "Encomm"? Do you mean "Emcomm"?

73,
Jay/AF2C

--- On Mon, 5/4/09, John Geiger <aa5jg@yahoo. com> wrote:

From: John Geiger <aa5jg@yahoo. com>
Subject: [DX-IS] Encomm in other countries
To: dx-is@yahoogroups. com
Date: Monday, May 4, 2009, 12:31 PM

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73s John AA5JG

9797. RE: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 04:32:03 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9777 Message: 9797

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73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, 5 May 2009 12:45 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

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73, Paul VE1DX

9798. Re: Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 10:47:06 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9777 Message: 9798

We are apparently a very small club! I never owned either a CB or an 8-track!

As a population "sub-group" we (hams) are indeed a very small subset of the general population. Still, it's amazing how many people see my antenna (either house or truck) and assume it's "like CB!"

Reminds me of the old days where somewhere new where their favorite radio station was located on the dial - "It's right there by the 'M' in Motorola!"

Art - N4PJ

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Paul M Dunphy [mailto:list_dx@...]
> Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 8:09 AM
> To: DX IS!
> Subject: [DX-IS] Use of "we"
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> At 10:31 AM 5/4/2009, you wrote:
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> >Multiple personalities.
> >:-)
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> >73, Zack W9SZ
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> A lot of people complain about the use of "we" and I admit it doesn't make a lot of sense. That
> said, is it really a CB think or a Ham thing? I've heard it used by a lot of old timers who were
> 40-50 year veterans when I got licensed 23 years ago. I always thought it as part of the amateur
> culture. All of Hugh Cassidy's DX Bulletin articles were full of it from 1967-1978. Whatever its
> origin, and however much it irritates some people, it has been around a lot longer than

most of us
> have been on the air.
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> I believe this falls in the category of the 73 vs 73s argument.
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> Does anyone know where "we" really came from? I never operated CB and never listened to
CB
> conversations so I have no idea if it was/is used there. Even if it is, I assume it was
use before or
> at the same time by Hams.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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9799. Re: Encomm in other countries

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 10:48:37 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9784 Message: 9799

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9800. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Encomm in other countries

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 11:02:53 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9784 Message: 9800

Well I' ben hammin for a golden numba of yars. eva cents da erly daz we wud play wid hour yellow gooney boxes. goshen ... i ben hammin b-4 gooney boxes evolved from dem deforest valves. must be getin auld.

if'n i member rite ... arrl field daz wuz to demin strait mergencee comms back in da erly 50s.

has sumpin changd?

73 no 's n stuf
----- Original Message -----
From: Art Burke
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 6:48 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Encomm in other countries

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9801. Re: [DX-IS] Use of "we"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 13:38:13 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9777 Message: 9801

I never operated in the CB band but I have nothing against its legal use. I'm sure it could be fun.

There is an entire shortwave spectrum of interesting things out there and the ham bands are only a tiny part of it. I have always been interested in what's happening in that whole spectrum, not just the ham bands. I often wonder why hams would not be interested in the commercial shortwave broadcasts, utility transmissions, spy numbers stations, etc.

I got my code speed up to the point of passing the Extra exam back in 1971 by copying the commercial Morse stations that abounded on shortwave back then. KPH, NSS, NAA, WLO, WOO ... all gone to digital now except for the Night of Nights, an annual event where the old CW ops get to use CW from these stations for nostalgic purposes.

I first came across the Cuban spy numbers transmissions that take place on 4028 kHz over 30 years ago. I had no idea what it was but it fascinated me. I eventually found out what it was. They still use that frequency to this day.

There are a lot of "mystery" CW beacons operating in the vicinity of 4080 kHz which I can hear at night. They are all small transmitters (running anywhere from milliwatts to a watt) powered by batteries and charged by solar cells, set up in random locations in the southwest USA desert. I doubt the FCC cares about them because they have never interfered with anything I've heard. One sends "TEMP IN NN TEMP OUT NN" where TEMP IN NN" is the temperature inside the transmitting unit (the NN being a two-digit number) and "TEMP OUT NN" is the temperature outside. There's also a little beacon on 3450 kHz. I believe it sends "OK" in CW. Not sure if it is in Oklahoma or not.

Doesn't anyone else find these interesting?

73, Zack W9SZ

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9802. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 22:16:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9802

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 125 Issued at 2200Z on 05 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 04/2100Z
to 05/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 04/2100Z to 05/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet to unsettled, with a chance for isolated active
levels at high latitudes, on days one and two (06 - 07 May) due to a
recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream. Predominantly quiet levels
are expected on day three (08 May) as the effects of the high speed
stream decrease.
III. Event Probabilities 06 May-08 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 05 May 068
Predicted 06 May-08 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 05 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 04 May 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 05 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 06 May-08 May 010/012-007/008-005/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 06 May-08 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 25/15/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9803. Re: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 23:26:31 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9721 Message: 9803

Paul

Not sure if we need any sunspots:

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The nice thing about the poor condition is that noone is on looking for DXs. I grabbed Victor UK7AZ right through a weak EU pileup (he turned his antenna to improve the signal)Not one call from NA even with my spot.

Soooooooo if everyone will keep moaning about these statistics and stay off the air I might actual get to increase my numbers.

Bob KB1JZU

9804. Congratulations on the DX!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-05 23:59:52 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9804

At 08:26 PM 5/5/2009, you wrote:
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Congratulations on all of those conquests, Bob! Anything in the Far East is rare from the east coast, and especially places that have low Ham populations like V8 and XW. You will get Bruce as he is a former W4 who does make an effort to work NA, knows propagation and has a great station. If not now then during the fall equinox. You raise a good point that these dire predictions (and dismal conditions) tend to keep the competition away! Maybe, in some weird way, the lack of sunspots is making it easier to work the DX that is on.

I had a lot of trouble working TL0A (on 18 MHz about a month ago, haven't tried any other bands.) That is a nice catch. In the old days they were referred to as the terrible Ts (TN, TT, TL, TR, TU, TY, TZ, etc.) Hard to get there, hard to get permission to put them on from the local authorities, anyone who was on had heavy QRN, etc. A lot were activated by Dick McKercher, W0MLY (SK.) I always work them when I hear them because I know historically many DXers waited years to get some or all of them.

These "Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity" messages that I'm now sending to the list once a day are automated and originate from U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, the Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.

I suspect I could send the same one, day after day and month after month and nothing would change! The 90-day mean flux and 3-day prediction seems to vary between 69-71 and there isn't much in the area of geomagnetic activity. Whenever the cycle spins up I'm hoping they will be more useful.

Anyhow, hope you get XW1B sooner rather than later. The QSL manager is Champ, E21EIC, in Bangkok and he is as good as gold. You always get a QSL.

73, Paul VE1DX

9805. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-06 04:10:17 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 9805

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (April 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in April, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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9806. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-06 22:16:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9806

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:Issued: 2009 May 06 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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9807. k5d

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 00:28:50 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9807 Message: 9807

rcd k5d card snail mail today

Dale K8TS

9808. DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 02:44:12 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9808 Message: 9808

Here is the scenario:

You are the DX station and your CQing using morse code. You work a couple of stations and then a couple more, then your spotted and
within about 3 mins, it seems that all of Japan (or whoever) is sending their call and a feeding frenzy is on.

The fun has begun :0)

Now -- Do you:

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4) Announce you are going split to break it up a bit.
5) Narrow down your filters and take only what you can hear.
6) Work only the stations transmitting at your speed or slower.
7) None of the above something different entirely.

Bob AD5VJ

9809. Re: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 02:56:23 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9808 Message: 9809

At 11:44 PM 5/6/2009, you wrote:
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>Bob AD5VJ

4) as soon as the pileup begins, and only work as per 2)

73, Paul VE1DX

9810. RE: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 03:11:16 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9808 Message: 9810

In my experience with CW feeding frenzies, coming back with anything short of a full call risks a painful, drawn-out process that gets everyone frustrated. I stay simplex and work the edges as long as I can maintain a good rhythm. If things start to drag, I gradually listen higher and then start sending "up 1" once the number of callers who followed me dwindles.

The path from Asia to the Caribbean can be difficult, so I do call "CQ AS" when there's an opening.

73,

Dave, FJ/AA6YQ, KP2/AA6YQ, V4/AA6YQ, 8P9RY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of AD5VJ Bob
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 10:44 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG.

Version: 8.0.100 / Virus Database: 270.12.20/2100 - Release Date: 5/6/2009 6:04 AM

9811. RE: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 03:24:03 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9808 Message: 9811

There are as many different ways to operate effectively as there are DX stations who cause pile-ups. All of your points are possibilities and there are many others as well.

The DX operator who is in control will offer his way to the waiting hordes. The more experience he has determines how the DX handles the crowd. The DX operator who lets the pile-up get out of hand will soon go QRT or find a better way.

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Yahoo! Groups Links

9812. RE: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 03:47:50 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9808 Message: 9812

Hi Bob,

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9813. RE: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 04:38:34 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9808 Message: 9813

Bob,

You forgot #8-go QRT because after repeated sending n5?? you still have 30 WA1 stations calling!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 5/6/09, Lance Martin <lance.martin@...> wrote:

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9814. RE: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 05:35:51 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9808 Message: 9814

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9815. Re: DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 09:59:43 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9808 Message: 9815

My personal experience indicates you left out a possibility (although that's what Al picked up on!):

ALL OF THE ABOVE!

I agree with Dave - pick up full calls as much as possible, and encourage full calls when possible. Go split sooner rather than later!

If you're working in an environment when you're on the air on a regular basis, and experiencing pileups virtually every time you're on the air - go split as soon as you get on. When the hordes hear you working split every time you're on the air, there should be less stations trying to call you simplex. It won't take long for the gang to "expect" that you're working split.

That said, I'm simply amazed how many times I hear a pileup and the above does NOT happen! Something like K5D comes on the air and you hear someone calling simplex and the frequency cops go berserk. During a time like that I ask myself:

1. Why doesn't that station realize that if he can't hear *anyone* the K5D is coming back to that they are very likely working split?
2. Why would virtually *any* station assume that a large dxpedition to a rare or semi-rare location would NOT be working split?

Yes, there are exceptions to both the above, but, by and large, they seem to be very much the norm.

There's one other "rule" I use personally as much as possible. My technique has been to "work and move," i.e., work someone and then tune up higher (or lower) to work the next station. I have no problem with someone figuring out my pattern and "lurking" on an empty freq - that's part of the plan. But I despise tail-ending! Most people don't really seem to know how to do it properly. If it becomes clear that I'm not working two in a row on the same freq, it's very unlikely that I'm going to work any tail-enders! In a real jammed pileup, I like to try to spread 'em out 1 to 2 kHz. It's amazing how many CW signals you can hear across a single kHz!

In a contest environment, all bets may be off. This happened to me recently. You may have no room to go split. And if you suddenly discover you're a popular mult, the pileup seems to call almost incessantly (apparently gentlemen check their credentials at the door in a contest!), making it difficult for them to hear who you're coming back to. During the Russian DX contest a few weeks back that happened to me on 40M CW. Despite wading through the pileup at what seemed like a glacial pace, I was pleasantly surprised to discover I had worked almost 60 in an hour. Outside two humongous pileups, the rates were well over 100.

Marsha (K4IRI at the time and now N4BU) did a great job with her SSB pileups (and there were many!). Often she would pick up a partial and then another partial and you would hear something like:

"The Lima Whiskey please stand by. You're next. Who's the Alpha Papa?"

I would find that cumbersome as hell on CW, but it isn't too difficult on SSB. She said she heard someone else do it and it seemed like a good idea!

In the last couple of years, I've heard inexperienced amateurs visit rare or semi-rare places. Their inexperience showed up in their initial operating efforts. Over the period of a few weeks, you could hear them grow and mature as DX operators. Fun stuff!

Good luck with your own pileups.

Art - N4PJ

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9816. Re: [DX-IS] DX PILEUPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 12:17:28 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9808 Message: 9816

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9817. ARLD018 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 22:18:25 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3774 Message: 9817

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To all radio amateurs

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AZERBAIJAN, 4J. Members of the Azerbaijan Radio are QRV with special call 4K1V in commemoration of ''Victory-64'' until May 19. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via UA3FDX.

UNITED NATIONS HQ, 4U1UN. Henry, KT1J plans to be QRV as 4U1UN on May 8 and 9. He will be active on 6 meters. QSL via HB9BOU.

CROATIA, 9A. A group of IOCA members are QRV as 9A0CI from Palagruza Island, IOTA EU-090, until May 16. They also plan to activate Mala Palagruza and Kamik Od Tramuntane as 9A/home calls. QSL via DE0MST.

PORTUGAL, CT. Members of ARAL will be QRV as CS5FAT from May 11 to 13. QSL via CT6ARL.

BELARUS, EU. In commemoration of ''Victory-64'' stations EV5V, EV6ZK and EV8DP are QRV until June 20. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via UA3FDX.

FRANCE, F. In celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe, station TP60CE is active until May 10. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via F5LGF.

ENGLAND, G. Members of the Bittern DX Group are participating in the National Mills on the Air and are QRV as GB1WM until May 10 from Weybourne Mill in Weybourne, North Norfolk. Activity is on all HF and VHF bands, including some digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

WALES, GW. Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society are QRV as GB100BP until May 31 in celebration of 100 years of British Petroleum. QSL via GW0ANA.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, HI. Ronny, OT4R, will be QRV as HI7/home call during his holidays from Punta Cana, IOTA NA-096, from May 9 to 30. Activity will be on 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL to home call.

BELGIUM, ON. Members of the ''Trudo Radioamateurs Club'' in Haspengouw are QRV using the special callsign ON100PES until the end of 2009 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first Belgian Antarctic expedition led by Adrien de Gerlache. QSL via ON4TRC.

BANGLADESH, S2. Ramon, DU1UGZ is now QRV as S21XR until June 20. QSL to home call.

SWEDEN, SM. A team of eight operators will be QRV as 7S6W from IOTA EU-043 from May 14 to 17. Activity will be on 80 to 2 meters with four stations. QSL via SM6WET. In addition, Bernd, DL8AAV is QRV as SD1B/7 until June 12 from Oeland Island, IOTA EU-037. QSL to home call.

MICRONESIA, V6. Operators JA7HMZ and JH7IOS will be QRV as V63DX and V63CW, respectively, from Pohnpei, IOTA OC-010, from May 11 to 16. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters. QSL to home calls.

VANUATU, YJ. Mike, YO8CYN is QRV is QRV as YJ0EM until May 25 and is active in his spare time. He is generally active on 20 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ-M International DX Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, VK/Trans-Tasman 80-Meter Phone Contest, EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party, VOLTA World Wide RTTY Contest, FISTS Spring CW Sprint, Nevada Mustang Roundup, 50 MHz Spring Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint and the RSGB 80-Meter Club Data Championship will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9818. Two sunspots will be rotating into view tomorrow

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-07 22:57:46 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9818 Message: 9818

http://www.scientificamerican.com/blog/60-second-science/post.cfm?id=solar-activity-starting-to-perk-up-2009-05-07

Here comes the sun...

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

9819. detecting future sunspots with Stereo

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-08 05:10:29 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9819 Message: 9819

Solar flux is the product of sunspots on the sun's earth-facing hemisphere. The sun rotates every ~27 days. When a sunspot rotates out of view, we can assume/hope that it will appear again on sun's opposite limb ~13 days later, but it could shrink or disappear during that interval. New sunspots also form on the solar hemisphere facing away from earth, rotating onto the earth-facing hemisphere as much as 13 days later.

In October 2006, NASA launched two identical spacecraft destined for solar orbit: one ahead of the Earth, and the other trailing behind. Their objective is to trace the flow of energy and matter from the Sun to Earth, and to reveal the 3D structure of coronal mass ejections. This mission, known as STEREO, also provides alerts for Earth-directed solar ejections because the two satellites provide a view of the solar hemisphere not visible from earth. They also detect sunspots.

At present, the spacecraft known as Ahead is 48 degrees ahead of earth in its solar orbit, and the spacecraft known as Behind is 47 degrees behind earth. In this diagram, Ahead is labeled A in red font, and Behind labeled B in blue font:

<http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/where.shtml>

The sun's left-to-right rotation means that Behind gets a preview of what's about to rotate into the sun's earth-facing solar hemisphere. With a 47 degree separation, that preview is (47/360)*27 => 3.5 days. Ahead and Behind will continue to separate; two year from now, Ahead will be 90 degrees ahead of earth in its solar orbit, and Behind will be 90 degrees behind earth. This will provide a complete view of the solar hemisphere facing away from earth, enabling us to monitor the birth, growth, shrinkage, and death of sunspots there without interruption.

This web site shows the latest solar images from Ahead and Behind:

<http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

As you can see, Behind's image shows a pair of new spots about to rotate onto the earth-facing solar hemisphere. Let's hope they are cycle 24 spots, and a harbinger of good things to come.

Assuming the above web page is updated frequently, STEREO should provide DXers with an excellent tool for predicting solar flux.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

9820. QSL info from 1990? PJ7/WY2W

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-08 06:32:30 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9820 Message: 9820

Does anyone have some QSL info on an old call, PJ7/WY2W from 1990?

I would be much obliged...

73, Lance - VK6DU

9821. Solar Flare!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-08 13:24:27 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
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Its back!..... New Cycle starting: http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2009/05/solarcycle/

Best regards,

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9822. [425ENG] 425 DX News #940

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5B - Jan, OZ1IIL will be active as 5B/OZ1IIL from Cyprus (AS-004) on 9-16 May. On 10 May, starting around 10 UTC, he will operate from the lighthouse at Paphos Point (ARLHS CYP-005). Updates on activity from other lighthouses will be posted at www.oz7aei.dk [TNX OZ7AEI]
GD - GB5LB is a special event station on the Isle of Man (EU-116), to promote awareness of the activities of the Royal National Lifeboat Institute. Look for activity on 10 May, 4 June, 4 July, 12 July, 26 July. QSL direct to Port St Mary Lifeboat, The Boat House, Lime Street, Port St Mary, Isle of Man IM9 5EF, UK. [TNX VA3RJ]
GM - Celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Scottish Parliament, the Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club (http://www.cpsarc.com/news.php) will be running special event station GB10SP on 16-17 May. Operations will take place from the Scottish Parliament at Holyrood, Edinburgh, between 9 and 17 each day. QSL via GM4UYZ.
JA - Ten special event stations (8J040M-8J940M) from each callsign district of Japan will be active between 16 May and 20 July to celebrate the expansion of the 7 MHz band in Japan. QSL all stations via the JARL bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
LZ - Special event station LZ50BNT will be operated until 31 December to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Bulgarian National Television, the national public television service of the Republic of Bulgaria. QSL via LZ1HA, direct or bureau. [TNX LZ1HA]
OH - Special callsign OF5POPOV will be aired on 14 May to commemorate Russian physicist and radio pioneer Aleksandr S. Popov. QSL via OH5VX. [TNX OH5FFT]
ON - 9 May is Europe Day, and the European Institutions are open to the public to show their activity and celebrate the project of the European integration. Look for OR5EU, the European Union Amateur Radio Club in Brussels, to participate in the celebrations and be active on 40-10 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via the UBA bureau. [TNX ON8VM]

PY - A number of Brazilian special contest callsigns are expected to be QRV during the Manchester Mineira All America (MMAA) CW Contest, which will be held on 16-17 May [425DXN 935]: PP4W (PY4PW), PQ4F (PY4FQ), PQ8W (PY2WAS, from the rarest Amapa State), PR5W (PY5FB), PT5J (PP5KR group), PT5M (PY5MJ), PW1W (PY1WW), PW2B (PY2HL), PW2P (PY2XAT), PX8XL (PY8MGB), ZW1V (PY1VHF), ZW3F (PY3VK) and ZW4KL (PY4KL group). This year's event is still for stations in South and North America, in 2010 it will be world wide. [TNX PY4WAS]
S2 - Ramon, DU1UGZ did operate as S21UGZ [425DXN 937] on 2 and 3 May, before being issued (on 6 May) another callsign, S21XR. He expects to remain in Bangladesh until 20 June, and to be QRV in his spare time. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
SM - A team of eight operators will be active as 7S6W from IOTA group EU-043 on 14-17 May. They plan to operate on 80-2 metres with four stations. QSL for this activity via SM6WET, direct or bureau. [TNX SM6WET]
SP - The amateur radio club of QTC, the Polish Radio Amateurs' journal (SP4KDX), will be active as HF59ED on 8-15 May to celebrate Europe Day and the 59th anniversary of the European Union. QSL via SP2FAP and eQSL.cc [TNX SP2FAP]
SP - Special event station 3Z11EQSLCC will be active on 9-12 May to celebrate the 11th anniversary of the Electronic QSL Card Centre. QSL via SP2FAP (and eQSL.cc, of course). [TNX SP2FAP]
UA - A large number of Russian stations using special prefix RP (where the letter P stands for "pobeda", i.e. "victory") will be QRV until 10 May to celebrate the 64th anniversary of the end of World War II. Expect many of them to be active during the 53rd CQ-M International DX Contest, to be held on 9-10 May (rules at http://www.srr.ru/CONTEST/cq_m_9_eng.php)
ZK2 - Chris, ZL1CT (GM3WOJ) is confirmed to be active as ZK2V from Niue [425DXN 923] next week. If the weather cooperates, he will land on Saturday afternoon (16 May), which is early Sunday UTC. Chris plans to be QRV until 7 UTC on 19 June. His expedition aims to to give as many stations as possibile their first QSO with ZK2. To maximise QSOs, he will concentrate on CW and SSB on 80, 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. Further information and log search can be found at http://www.zk2v.com. Chris has been told he will have Internet access from his QTH. If so, his plans are to upload logs to LoTW on a daily or every other day basis. QSL via N3SL, direct or bureau. [TNX N3SL]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (April 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

EUROPEAN CASTLES DAY ---> The eighth edition of the European Castles Day will be held on 17 May between 6 and 16 UTC. Several stations are expected to operate from fortresses and castles in France, Belarus, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Russia, Spain, Portugal, United Kingdom and Switzerland. Information on the event can be found on Jean-Pierre's (F6FNA) web site at http://f6fna.club.fr/jecruleanglais.html

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for The ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (302 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (950 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2578 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (308 QSLs), Antarctic bases (744 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 246 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (248 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (95 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (595 QSLs), French Departments (527 QSLs) and USA (50 QSLs), plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (106 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit http://LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@... [TNX F6AJA]

QSL 4X0WFF ---> The QSL route is via 4X4JU for direct requests only. Bureau cards will be sent automatically via Global QSL (http://www.globalqsl.com/). [TNX 4Z5KJ]

QSL 5H3RK ---> Ralph (C93Q, Z21HS, 9J2RK, SM0LRK, VK4VB) will be going QRT from Tanzania in late May. Effective immediately, QSL cards should not be mailed to Ralph's address in the US any longer, but to Australia: Ralph Karhammar, 6 Sevenoaks Street, Taringa 4068, Australia. [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL TA7KI ---> The QSL route for contacts made during the recent ARI International DX Contest (2-3 May) is via TA3YJ, direct or bureau. The operator was TA3J/7, whose log search can be found at http://dx.qsl.net/logs/index.html [TNX TA3YJ]

UN2C ---> Vlad, UN6T says that Nick, UN2C no longer uses P.O. Box 121, which has been closed for some time now. Cards should be sent via the bureau. Those who cannot wait or have no access to the bureau system might want to contact Vlad and see if he can help.

+ SILENT KEYS + CQ DX Hall of Famer Albert "Lee" Bergren, W0AR (ex-W9AIW and W0AIW) passed away on 1 May at 93 years of age. "An electronics engineer, author, designer and advisor with special accomplishments in the field of antenna and radio amplifier design", ARRL says, "Bergren led or participated in many of the first Amateur Radio DXpeditions".
Other recently reported Silent Keys include David L. Vest (KZ4G), Paulo Reboucas Da Silva (PY6PRS), Nikolaj V. Goldinov (RW3QI), Sandy Donahue (W4RU), Glenn Eisley (W6NDR) and Marion J. Henson (W6NKR).

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2D0WMG/p 2E0WMG EV8DP UA3FDX RP3YGA RV3YR
3A2CWG 3A2LF EX/DM3VL DM3VL RP3YVF RA3YC
3A2XO pirate EX7MA IK2QPR RP4AWR RZ4AR
3D2AD YT1AD FM1HN NI5DX RP4DTA RK4CYW
3D2ZW OK2ZAW GB0GMD MW6VHF RP4H RW4HB
3V8SF IZ8CCW GB100BP GW0ANA RP4HRT RZ4HXM
3Z0LH SP1TMN GB100FAA G4ZMP RP64PR RA3ATX
4K51V UA3FDX GB6MD GM4FDM RP64X UA9XC
4L6QC LZ1OT GB8GM M0DOL RP6AMZ RX6AM
4M5M W4SO HC2A EA5KB RP6YW UA6YW
4O6T PB2T HC2AQ EA5KB RP9J RV9JD
4U1UN HB9BOU HF10GZB SP8ZBX RP9LL RW9LL
4X0WFF 4X4JU HF15PB SP9YGD RP9M RA9MC
4Z5J W0MM HK1NK EA5KB RP9OMP RZ9OJ
5C5W EA5XX HK1X EA7FTR RP9Q UA9QCQ
5F1ROM EA7FTR HL9A WX8C RP9QA RW9QA
5R8FL G3SWH HP1RIS EA5KB RP9SBR RA9SBR
5R8FU SM5DJZ HS0ZEA OE2REL RP9XG UA9XOM
5R8GZ G3SWH HZ1AN DJ9ZB RP9XKF RA9XF
5V7BR F2VX HZ1SK IZ8CLM RP9YAF RU9YF
6M0W/5 HL5BMX ID9N IZ0GKN S21B KX7YT
8Q7DV UA9CLB II0DIVA IQ0RM S21UGZ DU1UGZ
8Q7SV SV1JG II2ERBA IQ2ER SD3N SM3NXS
9A0CI DE0MST II4CRI IZ1JKW SN0DO SQ2CFL
9A430KA 9A6Z II5W IZ5DKG SN0PSP SP9PNS
9G5SW DC8XL IL3T IQ3SD SN7OSP SP7PKI
9H3KJ W0MM IY7GM IZ7AUH SN80TPRO SP9PKZ
9J2BO G3TEV J28JA F5JFU SP1933ANH SP5PSL
9J2FM JA4ATV JD1BLK JM1LJS SV0XBM/9 W3HNK
9J2YO YO4ATW JD1BLY JI5RPT T30M YT1AD
9L1BTB SP7BTB JD1BMH JG7PSJ T80K JN3JBC
A35KL W6ZL JD1BMT JE4SMQ T88YK JN1WTK
A35RK/p W7TSQ JI1LET/JD1 JI1LET TA3J/7 TA3YJ
A52DT JA1DOT KH0UA JF1UCV TF/4Z5KJ W0MM
A61C W4JS L21D LU7DSY TF3CW LX1NO
A61E EB7DX LM9K75Y LA9K TF3ZA KT6YL
A65BD G5LP LY1000A LY5A TI3/WA7UZO AI4U
A65BE G3XHZ LZ18HR LZ1YE TI6/K9KEJ EB7DX
A65BM W4JS LZ2009KM LZ1PJ TJ3SL F5PSA
AL7DB NI5DX LZ24MAY LZ1KZX TM5ACS F4CVA
AX0BP VK2CA MS0TJT/p GM4ZNC TM5EL F6KHI
BW9/DL2JRM DL2JRM OA4TT N6XQ TM6KBK F6GCP
BX2AAL NI5DX OE100M OE1WHC TN5SN IZ1BZV
C31CT EA3QS OL25LP OK2FB TP60CE F5LGF
CE1TT EA5KB OL77AL OK1AL TR8CA F6CBC

CO6CAC EA5KB ON100PES ON4TRC UE1RFF/3 UA1RJ
CO6WD W0SA ON769MS ON6MS UE80MB UA9MBQ
CQ5CQK CT1CQK OX3XR OZ3PZ UE80MC UA9MC
CS7FTD CT2FTD PE25KP PE2KP UE80MD UA9MD
CU3HQ EA3GHZ PJ7MF IZ1MHY UE80ME RW9MC
CW1GM CX2ABC PT1R PY1NB UE80MO UA9MAX
D80Y 6K5YPD R3ARS/3 RA3AKF UE80MT RA9MC
DL0YLQ DK2YL R75AH RK3AWH UE80NS UA9NS
DM50PSF DL5JAN R7M R3AWA UE9CAP RK9CYA
DP1POL DL1ZBO RP1A RD1AW UE9FDR RA9FDR
DR775TMG DJ8QP RP1AL UA1CEI UN5J W3HNK
DU1/KI6TIU JA1PBV RP1CC RV1CC UN8LYA UA9AB
DX1J JA1HGY RP1F UA2FFX/1 UR6LFF/p US4LGW
EG1SPA EA1EG RP1OS UA1OAM VK2IA DL8YR
EG2OO EC2AMN RP1VIC RV2FW/1 VK6XRM G3KOJ
EG4DCM EA4CT RP1ZZ UA1ZZ W3D N3ME
EG4MAD EA4RCU RP3ABB RA3BB WH6R AI4U
EG7SCC EA7URC RP3AF UA3DX XU7XXX KC0W
EI6DX RX3RC RP3DY RW3DY XX9TET EA3NT
EM5U/p UT2UB RP3EOD RU3EJ YI9TM WT4M
EN500I UT7IL RP3GMW RA3GJ YJ0EM YO8CYN
EO64JM K2PF RP3LPP UA3LMR YJ0KS JA6REX
EO64L UT2LY RP3LPS RZ3LA YO4ATW 9J2YO
EO64MF UR0MM RP3QUP RK3QWW YP1WFF YO7GNL
ER4DX RA4LW RP3RQ RN3RQ YV7ABC EB7DX
ET3JA OK3AA RP3UNN RK3UWA ZD8KR G0UNU
EV5V UA3FDX RP3V RK3VWA ZF2BI K4BI
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9824. ARLP019 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-08 20:22:50 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3929 Message: 9824

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP019
ARLP019 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP19
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 19 ARLP019
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 8, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP019
ARLP019 Propagation de K7RA

A cycle 23 spot appeared for two days, April 29-30, in an area that soon rotated out of view. Sunspot numbers were 15 and 12, but for the last seven days we've seen no spots. This may end soon, and we get the advance word because of the STEREO mission, which is gradually able to see more and more of the sun not visible from earth. See the current position of the two STEREO satellites at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/where.shtml.

On May 5-6 the STEREO B satellite was able to see an eruption from an active region around the eastern edge of the sun, outside of our view. If sunspots emerge, they will be cycle 24 spots because of their relatively high latitude.

Tuesday morning, May 5, Red Haines, WO0W (his call is easy to confuse. It is W-Oh-Zero-W) of La Crescent, Minnesota (SE part of the state, across the Mississippi River from La Crosse, Wisconsin), wrote that HF conditions had improved over the past few days. He noted that he was hearing more of the worldwide NCDXF beacons on 14.100 MHz than recently, and that x-ray flux had also increased.

Red mentioned that x-ray flux (an index of energy from the sun in the x-ray portion of the spectrum) is a better real-time indicator of the current state of the ionosphere than daily sunspot numbers or solar flux. ''X-ray energy is a primary cause of ionization, which supports HF propagation'', he wrote.

At http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ you can see the current and recent x-ray flux. Click on the graph for a better view. He noted significant recent bursts of energy during and after recent sunspot activity on April 30 and May 1. You can go to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/warehouse/2009/2009_plots/xray/ to see this by clicking on the 20090501_xray.gif link. Other interesting dates are January 9-10 and February 10-13, also accessible from that same page, which includes all of the plots for

2009.

The NOAA SWPC page at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/rt_plots/index.html has links for a number of useful monitors for x-rays and magnetic indices, including a D-region absorption prediction for when conditions get rough.

Red likes to monitor beacons for a real time indicator of propagation, and he uses a tool called BeaconSee, which creates an ongoing record of propagation on any HF band. Download BeaconSee at http://www.coaa.co.uk/beaconsee.htm.

David Steels, VE3UZ of London, Ontario has a spreadsheet and graph showing monthly averages of solar flux values during solar minimums. He overlaid four solar minimums, lining up start dates for each cycle, and believes that his curves match a start date of September, 2008 for cycle 24.

E-skip reports continue for 6 and 10 meters.

Last Saturday, May 2, Trent Fleming, KG4ZDM of Germantown, Tennessee (EM55) worked UT1FG/MM in EL33 and NP4A in FK68 on 6 meters. He heard many other stations, but shut down early due to an approaching storm.

Dan Van Orden, N7AQX of Emporia, Kansas had fun on 10 meter CW on May 3-4.

Dan wrote, ''On 5-3-09, 1642 UTC, AJ4SF responded from Cameron, NC with a 589 signal strength. A few minutes later, I tried several times to connect with KJ4RV. His signals were down to at least 339 at the time. Seems strange in that both stations are in the same vicinity. Of course antennas and location could have been the difference''.

''On 5-4-09, I heard several Low Power Beacon stations from California. These beacons are hardly ever heard here in Kansas. They remained throughout the day. The band seemed to have gone west, since no beacons were heard from the Eastern USA. That in itself seems kinda strange. Beacons from Colorado and New Mexico were also heard, along with the California, Beacons. Finally worked K7DRA/5 in El Paso, TX on 10 meter CW and got a 569 signal report. Looks like the band is changing after months of winter time silence''.

Bob Voss, N4CD of Plano, Texas sent in many comments about 10 meters last weekend, which he said was when the 10-10 club held their CW and digital contest. The comments were from people he worked and from an email reflector. All reported strong activity on 10.

Vince Varnas, W7FA of Portland, Oregon reported a great 10 meter opening on Tuesday, May 5. He wrote, ''Had a pile up of JAs on me for 1 1/2 hours from 2312-0040 UTC. Worked 32 JAs before I had to

go to dinner. Must have left about 5-6 on freq. still calling. Sigs mostly S-9. Probably multi-hop Es. Could have been F2, though''.

Chip Margelli, K7JA of Garden Grove (DM03), California wrote, ''Six meters has been opening up, marginally, across the Pacific. K6QXY was the first to make it across to Man, JL8GFB on May 5th at 2330 UTC. Three other W6/7 stations made it on that day''.

''Yesterday (May 7 UTC) I had a QSO with Man at 0018 UTC. Signals were 559 at the time, and Man peaked at about 579 later. On the same day (May 6th here on the West Coast), Johnny KE7V worked 20 JA stations, and several other Pacific Northwest stations worked several JAs each. Here in SoCal, N6KK and N6HC also worked JL8GFB on the afternoon of May 6th, this was Arnie N6HC's first JA QSO on 6''.

''Audio clips of these and other QSOs made by JL8GFB are on his website at http://air.ap.teacup.com/jl8gfb/. I run 200 Watts into a 9-element OWA antenna at about 75 feet''.

Thanks, Chip. OWA means Optimized Wideband Array. Read more about it at http://www.naic.edu/~angel/kp4ao/ham/owa.html and http://www.g0ksc.co.uk/.

That's all for this week. Many other emails and subjects left unreported, but we had to stop somewhere, and this is it.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for April 30 through May 6 were 12, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 1.7. 10.7 cm flux was 69.4, 68.5, 68.3, 68.6, 68, 68, and 68.7 with a mean of 68.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 5, 5, 5, 4, 2 and 6 with a mean of 4.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2 and 6 with a mean of 2.7.
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9825. S.E.S TRIBUTE TO UNIC HAM RADIO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-08 23:56:09 UTC
From: ARMIC EA3RKR ONCE
Topic: 9825 Message: 9825

Find one that will be on the air continuously throughout the show so special commemorative station "IN MEMORIAM" by Jaume EA3ENA. (16 & 17 May 2009)

The indicator is in the air for this special occasion will be the E G 3 E N A.
Here you leave two links:
www.qrz.com/callsign?callsign=EG3ENA
www.qrz.com/callsign?callsign=EA3ENA

Invites anyone who wants to operate the station especially since the Merca area of the Ham Radio 2009.

QSL via EA3RKR.

Hope meet everyone in the band, unfortunately we can not ever roll, because there are few who do not know one way or another to Jaime, or without knowing, helped this unique character, sometimes even in the distance.

The station will be active through: Radio Club AMIRED, Radio Club del Vallès EA3RCH, Club Quijotes Internacionales de Barcelona EA3RCQ, Radio Club Henares EA4RCH, Asociación DX Barcelona, CQ Radio Amateur and Catalonia national Blind & handicaped ham radio operators,(ARMIC).

More info at:

http://www.gratisweb.com/ea3rkr/esp/actividades/Homenaje_EA3ENA_Jaume.html

The amateur radio community pays tribute to an amateur radio off.Unic Ham Radio Operator.

Please request the maximum distribution for this information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
ARMIC, EA3RKR Team
 ARMIC ONCE - EA3RKR
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C/ SEPULVEDA, 1
08015 BARCELONA

9826. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #908

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-10 21:26:56 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9826 Message: 9826

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): There will not be a OPDX Bulletin next week. I will be attending the Dayton HamVention. "IF" I receive a major announcement, I may send something out late Sunday or Monday. However, PLEASE continue to send your DX information. You never know what I might do.... 73 de Tedd KB8NW
P.S. Hope to see you at the HamVention Dayton at the NODXA Hospitality Suite at the Crown Plaza (See below)!

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-May, through Sunday, 10th-May there were 213 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2009 MMAA CW CONTEST. If you are not attending the Dayton HamVention, you may want to be active in the CWJF's 2009 Manchester Mineira All America CW Contest, May 16-17th. This year's event is mainly for stations in North and South America. However, in 2010 it will be world-wide. For more details and rules on this Brazilian MMAA CW Contest, visit their Web site at: http://www.powerline.com.br/cwjf
ADDED NOTE: Look for Alex, PY2WAS, to activate a rare Brazilian State outside and during the MMAA CW Contest. Activity will be from Macapa, Amapa State, in the Amazonic Region of Brazil. He will be using the special callsign PQ8W. He will be there between May 15-17th. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via PY2WAS, direct or by the Bureau.

3A, MONACO (IPA Op). Gab, HA3JB (SU8BHI), will be active as 3A/HG3IPA between September 23-30th. Activity will be good for the Hungarian International Police Association Award (HA-IPARC Award). For details on the award, visit: http://www.ha3jb.com
He also plans be an entry in the 2009 CQ DX RTTY Contest (September 26-27th). Also, a new online log search is available at: http://www.ha3jb.com/onlinelog
Those who send for a QSL, please write your E-mail address on your card, and he will advise you by E-mail when your QSL arrives. QSL via HA3JB: Gabor Kutasi, H-8601 Si=F3fok, P.O.Box 243, HUNGARY, EUROPE.

3Z11, POLAND (Special Event). Members of the Polish Amateur Radio Association (PGA-C PZK) are now active as 3Z11EQSLCC until May 12th. Activity is to celebrate the 11th anniversary (May 11th) of eQSL.cc. Activity over the past weekend was on 40/20 meters CW/SSB. QSL via eQSL.cc or SP2FAP.

5V7, TOGO. Werner, DL9MBI, is now active as 5V7PM from some miles outside the capital city of Lome (approx. 2 miles from the sea) until May 30th. Activity over the past weekend was on 20 meters, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via his home callsign by the bureau. For direct cards, please send QSL cards to: Werner Peter Mueller, Plattenberg 2 1/2, D-84508 Burgkirchen, GERMANY (w/SAE and two green stamps. Otherwise the answer will be via bureau).

7X, ALGERIA (Special Event/Ham Meet). Members of the Algerian Radio Amateur Association (A.R.A) and Djelfa Radio Club (7X2VFK) will activate the special event callsign 7X2DD during the International Algerian Sahara HAM Meeting (June 15-21st). Activity will be on all bands/modes, and a special diploma will be issued instead of a QSL card.

A3, TONGA (Update). Paul, A35RK, informs OPDX that Dave, A35KL, has left Vava'u (OC-064) for Tongatapu (OC-049), but he will not be on the air from there. He adds, "Dave has my broken FT-450, and he sold me his K3, which saved my radio-life here. He returns stateside next Tuesday."
Look for A35RK/p to be active from OC-064, on 80-17 meters, CW and SSB, using an Elecraft K3 and a G5RV antenna. You can take a look at Paul's

holiday QTH at: http://www.bayviewtonga.com
Paul ends his E-mail by informing us, "I seem to have forgotten to bring some critical USB interface cables, so RTTY will not be possible unless I can find a work-around. All is well. Vava'u is beautiful."

CS6, PORTUGAL (New CT Island). The Algarve STAR DX Team is planning to activate another new island in the southern part of Portugal on May 24th. They plan to use the callsign CS6A. It is a private island (Ilhas em Grandes Barragens - Large Dams Islands was mentioned) and this will be the first time the owner has authorized activity! Currently, there is a small problem to get to the island. A small bridge to the island is down and landing via boat is very very difficult. More details are forthcoming. Watch their Web page at: http://algarvedx.com

DAYTON HAMVENTION ACTIVITIES (Reminders).....
* Contest Super Suite - May 13-16th, 7pm-??? at the Crowne Plaza, Dayton (Downtown), OH; 2nd floor - Miami Ballroom.
First Night - Hosted by Contest University (CTU). CTU Check-in from 8:00-10:00 PM. 10:30 PM Pizza Party sponsored by Contest University 2009. Web site at: http://contestsupersuite.com
Second Night - Hosted by The Mad River Radio Club (MRRC), Frankford Radio Club (FRC) and North Coast Contesters (NCC). 50th Anniversary Celebration of CQ WorldWide Multi Multi Category. All are invited for the Special Celebration Party in Miami and Beckel Ballrooms at 10:30 PM with "Wings" from Quaker Steak and Lube! And pizza too!
Third Night - Hosted by The Mad River Radio Club (MRRC), Frankford Radio Club (FRC) and North Coast Contesters (NCC) with a 11:00 PM Pizza Party sponsored by the Potomac Valley Radio Club (PVRC).
Fourth Night - Hosted by The Mad River Radio Club (MRRC), Frankford Radio Club (FRC) and North Coast Contesters (NCC) with a 11:00 PM Pizza Party sponsored by the Yankee Clipper Contest Club (YCCC).

* DX HOSPITALITY SUITE. The Northern Ohio DX Association (along with Janeen Hire, W8ZET) will once again sponsor a Hospitality Suite at this year's Dayton Hamvention. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th Club Floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings (Look for signs!). All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.

* The 24th annual SWODXA DX Dinner will be Friday evening, May 15th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, located in Dayton City Center. Their speakers will be John Stanley/K4ERO, and Ruth Stanley/WB4LUA. This husband and wife team travel the globe installing, maintaining and training personnel for religious international shortwave stations. They have been to over 60 DXCC entities and operated from more than 12 of them. John has written many technical articles in the ham

journals (with one in the April 2009 issue of QST), is a recipient
of the 2007 Doug DeMaw Technical Excellence Award and is an ARRL
Technical Advisor, having contributed many pieces to the ARRL Handbook.

* Topband Dinner on Friday evening, May 15th, at the Barnsider
Restaurant, (Near Hamvention Arena), 5202 N. Main Street (Route 48
just north of Needmore Ave), Dayton, Ohio.

* The Contest Dinner will be held on Saturday night, May 16th, at
6:30 PM, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel (Official Contest Hotel), 5th and
Jefferson Streets (Next to the Convention Center), Dayton (Downtown),
Ohio, in the VAN CLEVE BALLROOM. Details at: http://www.contestdinner.com

* ANTENNA, DX AND CONTEST FORUMS AT THE CONVENTION
May 15th - Antenna Forum at HARA Arena 2:30-5:00 p.m. Room 1
Moderator: Tim Duffy, K3LR
Eric Scace, K3NA - "Loop Array Runs Circles Around The Beverage"
Dr. DaveLeeson, W6NL - "Thoughts on Antenna Positions, Sloped
Ground and Foregrounds",
Rob Sherwood, NC0B - "Effective Low Band Antenna for Small Lots"
Don Daso, K4ZA - "K4ZA's Tips, Tricks and Toolbox"
May 16th - Contest Forum at HARA Arena 9:15-11:15 a.m. Room 1
Moderator: Doug Grant, K1DG
Joerg Jaehrig, DJ3HW - "The Deutscher Amateur Radio Club
Contest Program and WAE-60 Celebration"
Rol Anders, K3RA, and Vic Gauvin, K1PY - "A Tale of Two Winning
Field Days - W3AO 23A and W2RDX 3A"
Pete Smith, N4ZR - "Skimmer - One Year Later"
Toni Linden, OH2UA - "Xtreme Contesting at Radio Arcala, OH8X"
May 16th - DX Forum 2:45-5:00 p.m. Room 1
Moderator: Jay Slough, K4ZLE. Assistant Moderators: Pete Meyer,
N0FW and Tom Kissner, W8WGT
Simone Bizzarini, IZ0BTV - E44M PALESTINE DXpedition
Speakers TBD - K5D Desecheo Island DXpedition
Josh Fisher, W4WJF - VK9DWX Willis Island DXpedition
"Frosty" Frost, K5LBU - African DX Safaris
DX Forum sponsored by SW Ohio DX Association and Yaesu
Vertex. There will be a Yaesu FT-2000 with PEP raffled off
at the end of the DX forum. You do not have to be present to
win. Tickets for a chance on the FT-2000 are available at the
forum, or may be ordered at the same time you purchase your DX
dinner tickets. SWODXA Web page at: http://www.swodxa.com

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the
following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
J20SE - Djibouti; 2009 Operation
A52DT - Bhutan; 2009 Operation

EE2, SPAIN. Members of the Ondarroa Group will be active as EE2W during
the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via
EB2BXL.

EG3, SPAIN (Special Event/Tribute). Members of the Amire, DX Association Barcelona, Digital EA Federation, Radio Club Barcelona, Radio Club del Valles, Quixotes Radio Club International and ARMIC will activate EG3EN during the 2009 MERCE HAM RADIO event on May 16-17th. Activity is a special tribute to Jaume, EA3ENA, and to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the radio event. QSL via EA3RKR. For more details, visit: http://www.qrz.com/callsign?callsign=EG3ENA

ET, ETHIOPIA. Peter, DM2BBN, who will stay in Addis Abeba, is active as ET3BN for the "next years". Activity will be on CW/SSB and using a wire pyramid for 80m, Quad antennas for 30/17/12/20/15/10m and a log-periodic for 6m. He is not active on 160 and 40 meters right now. QSL direct to: Dr. Peter Haferkorn, PO Box 150194, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-039. Operators Jean-Jacques/ON7EQ, Mich/ON8DM, Claude/ON7TK and Carine/ON7LX will be active as F/0T3T from Ile Grande, Chausey Islands (DIFM MA-004, WLOTA 0424) for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via ON7EQ, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-043. A team of eight Swedish operators will be active as 7S6W from Vinga Island, off the coast of Gothenburg, Sweden, between May 14-17th. Activity will be on 80-2 meters using four stations on the air. QSL via SM6WET, direct or by the Bureau, following QSL instructions at: http://www.qrz.com/callsign/7S6W

NA-029. Gregg, VE3ZZ, will be active as VY2Z from Prince Edward Island (CISA PE-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/? entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-268. Fuadi, YB7IM (ex-YFMI), and some friends will be active as YE7M from Payung Payungan Island in the Laut Kecil Islands Group, May 22-24th. The team will depart from Banjarmasin City on May 20th, and head to an empty restricted area in Laut Kecil Islands on Payung Payungan Island between E 115' 48" - E 115'49" and S 4'22" - S 4'23". There is an old Light-house in the middle of the island, which was built in the colonial era in Indonesia. No lighthouse reference number was provided. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/10 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 7023, 14040, 18098, 21040 and 28040
SSB - 7080, 14260, 18150, 21260 and 28360 kHz
The QSL Manager is YB7KNV: PO Box 7, BANJARMASIN 70000, SOUTH KALIMANTAN INDONESIA. Web site: http://ye7m.blogspot.com/

J48/SV8, GREECE (IOTA Op). Laci, HA0HW, will once again be active as J48HW and SV8/HA0HW from Thassos Island (IOTA: EU-174, GIOTA: NAS-037, MIA: MG-124, WLOTA: LH-4186, QRA: KN20HS) between May 28th and June 6th. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as well, on the HF bands (mainly on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters) and on 6 meters. His activity will include the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as J48HW. His rigs are a FT-840 with a MOS-FET amplifier and an IC-706 (for 6m only) with monoband

Gps and dipoles on fishing poles. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the HA Bureau.

KP2/WP3, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (NA-106). Jaime, WP3A, will be active as KP2B from St. Croix during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL direct to EA7FTR.

LY7, LITHUANIA. Members of the Kaunas University of Technology will be active as LY7A during the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via the LoTW or LY2ZO.

LZ50, BULGARIA (Special Event). Look for special event station LZ50BNT to be active through the end of the year (between May 1st-December 31st). Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Bulgarian National Television, the national public television service of the Republic of Bulgaria. Operations will be on all bands and modes. A special event QSL card (double format) will be sent to all stations who send their QSL card to QSL Manager LZ1HA, direct or by the Bureau.

MD4, ISLE OF MAN (EU-116). Operators David/G3NKC, Peter/G4MJS, Martin/G4XUM, Lionel/G5LP, Michael/G7VJR and Mark.2E0NCG will be active as MD4K during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Multi entry. QSL via G3NKC.

N8, UNITED STATES (USI and OSPOTA Op). Ed, N8EQJ, will be active as N8EQJ/p from Kelly's Island (USI OH-001L, Erie county, Ohio), for the OSPOTA (Ohio State Parks On The Air) Contest on September 12th (1600-2400z). Activity will be on 80/40/6 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

OF5, FINLAND (Special Event). Members of "The Club of Fives RY" (OH5AA) will be active as OF5POPOV from the library of Kotka on May 14th. Activity is to celebrate 150th anniversary of the birthday of Alexander Popov -- a remarkable person in Finnish radio history. QSL via OH5VX, direct or by the Bureau.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Norbert/DJ7JC, Ulrich/DJ9IE, Detlef/DK3QZ, Marcus/DL1EKC and Rein/PA0R will be active as OH0EC in the upcoming CQ WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st). The team members will be individually active between May 24th and June 3rd signing OH0/homecall. The operation will be mainly CW with some 30/17/12m activity. QSL OH0EC via DL1EKC, and for the individual operators via their respective home callsigns. All QSLs are OK via Bureau.

PACIFIC TOUR (IOTA Op). Steve, 9M6DXX (G4JVG), will active as FK/G4JVG from Noumea (OC-032), New Caledonia, between May 22nd and June 3rd, and as G4JVG/VK4 from North Stradbroke Island(OC-137), Australia, between June 7-9th. Activity will be holiday style while celebrating his 25th wedding anniversary with Eva, 9M6EVA. Operations will be SSB only, using 100 watts into "fishing rod" verticals for 40/20/17 meters and possibly 15 meters. QSL both operations via Tim, M0URX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

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CO6XN - N3ZOM is the QSL Manager, but does NOT accept Bureau QSL.
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Z31VJ - N3SL and W3HC are not the QSL Managers. QSL Z31VJ via direct
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(for most cards) are to forward such cards to their following perspective
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PIRATE ALERT! Colin, G3PSM, reports: "An email just received from the
Secretary General of the Nigerian Amateur Radio Society states that
5N/LZ1QK is not licenced in accordance with the Nigerian Telecommunica-
tions Act of 2006 and is therefore a pirate. Incidentally it is mandatory
in Nigeria to join the National Society before you can obtain a licence!"

FS/WW5L & PJ7/WW5L QSL STATUS. Tom, WW5L, reports: "All cards received
so far for FS/WW5L and PJ7/WW5L, part of the 'Buddies in the Caribbean'
DXpedition have been answered (before the postage rate increase). This
includes both stateside and DX Airmail cards. To those who failed to
enclose even an SAE, your postage and an envelope was paid for by
generous 1-5 USDs donations by your fellow hams who enclosed SASEs. I
wish to express my thanks to the many who included more than just an
SASE it was greatly appreciated. Sorry about the delay in getting the
cards out, but my HP laptop (that had gone with me to 7P8 and C91 in
2003 and 2006) power supply finally gave up the ghost, but a nearby
computer repair facility WAS able to at least transfer the HD to a
portable hard drive and save the logs. Also thanks to Ed Longhi, W5VP,
of Datamatrix developer and distributor of Prolog 2K, my logging program
for the time on the phone he gave me in retrieving everything off the
external hard drive. I know I can ask some really dumb questions. Ed,
your assistance with my phone calls for help all in one afternoon
I'm sure were frustrating. But it's nice to see a software developer
take the time to walk klutzes like me through the retrieval and printing
of everyone's QSL label."

QSL OR5EU via the UBA Bureau or direct to: E.C.A.R.C., Avenue Hebron 91,
B-1950 Kraainem, BELGIUM. Activity was by the European Union Amateur

Radio Club in Brussels on May 9th, to celebrate Europe Day (or "Schuman Day"). This date is the remembering of the Schuman Declaration of May 9th, 1950. More details at URL http://europa.eu/abc/symbols/9-may/euday_en.htm

TA7KI QSL INFO: For the 2009 A.R.I. International DX Contest (May 2-3rd, 2009), operator was TA3J/7. QSL Manager is TA3YJ. You can see the TA7KI log on: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?ta7ki
QSL direct cards [only SASE and 1 IRC with your QSL card, no green stamps please] or by the bureau. SWL QSL cards are OK. No eQSL. The TA3YJ QSL Service is at: http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3yj/qslservice.htm

YB0DPO & YB0ECT QSL STATUS. Mike, K3AIR, reports: "This morning (May 9th) I mailed out several hundred QSLs for the two YB0 stations I manage, YB0DPO and YB0ECT. If you've been waiting for a card, you should receive it in the next few days to week, depending on your local mail service. All direct requests received through yesterday (May 8th, 2009) have been answered. Bureau mailings to follow shortly. I apologize for the delays in getting some of these out. Work and family obligations have for the most part kept me off the air for the last two years and left little time for ham radio related activity. Hopefully that is now changing."

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5K0T, LQ7D (2002-2008), LW9DA (1996-2007), V31A (1990/1991), V31DX (1990-1991), VK9GMW, VK0HM (1969-1970), VQ9CQ (10/90-04/91), VQ9HB (12/89-05/90), VQ9SS (1991), VS6DX (1979-1989) and XX9DX (1983-1990)
ADDED NOTE: TL0A was listed last week which was an error.

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4K0CW, 5U7JB, 5V7BR, A7/M0FGA, AH0BT, CE1KR, CE8SFG, CO6XN, ER4DX, FK/JK1FNL, FM/KL7WA, FS/W3FF, HP3TA, J88DR, JA1XGI/VK9X, JT1CO, K5D, OH0R, OM8A, PY0FF, PZ5TT, T88NF, VP8DLQ, VP9KF, YI9KT and YS4M

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SILENT KEY. Albert L. "Lee" Bergren, W0AR, became a Silent Key "SK" at the age of 93 on May 1st. Lee was an accomplished electronics engineer, author, designer and advisor with special accomplishments in the field of antenna and radio amplifier design. He was co-founder of Radio Industries of Kansas City. He was inducted into the National DX Hall of Fame in 2002. Lee developed the multi-element cubical quad antenna and published his results in a seminal article in QST Magazine in 1963. Lee was an advisor and mentor to young engineers and radio enthusiasts and was co-founding member of the Kansas City DX Club, the Mid-Continent Chapter 35 of QCWA, and was a Life Member of the American Radio Relay League. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and

friends of W0AR.

SOLAR CYCLE 24 TO PEAK IN MAY 2013. An international panel of experts led by NOAA's Space Weather Prediction Center reports Solar Cycle 24 will peak in May 2013 with 90 sunspots per day, averaged over a month. Excerpts from a report NOAA press release states, "If the prediction proves true, Solar Cycle 24 will be the weakest cycle since number 16, which peaked at 78 daily sunspots in 1928, and ninth weakest since the 1750s, when numbered cycles began.....The panel also predicted that the lowest sunspot number between cycles-or solar minimum-occurred in December 2008, marking the end of Cycle 23 and the start of Cycle 24. If the December prediction holds up, at 12 years and seven months Solar Cycle 23 will be the longest since 1823 and the third longest since 1755. Solar cycles span 11 years on average, from minimum to minimum." Read this interesting report at: http://www.spaceweather.com/headlines/y2009/08may_noaaprediction.htm?PHPSESSID=9c1qmjl4b4mfl0v00d2pvm1od5

SU8, EGYPT (LH Op). Said, SU1SK, and several other SU operators will be active as SU8LH from the first Egyptian Lighthouse DXpedition on Ras El-Bar Island in the Dumyat zone in northern Egypt between August 1-9th. Look for SU8LH to participate in the special event ILLW International Lighthouse-Lightship Week. Activity will be on the HF bands, as well as 6 meters, SSB and CW modes. QSL via SU1SK. Look for updates to be posted at: http://www.qsl.net/su1sk/Links.html

TK, CORSICA. YL Eva/HA3FRE and Tomi/HA4DX will be in Corsica between May 16-23rd with a Hungarian tourist group. They will be active during the evening hours and nights. The QTH will be Ersa, near Tollari, Cape Corse (IOTA: EU-014, MIA: MCO-001, QRA: JN43QA). They will signing TK/homecall. Activity will be on 40 and 30 meters, CW mostly. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the HA Bureau.

VK7, AUSTRALIA. Chris, G0WFH, will be active as VK7ACG from Tasmania between October 19th and November 17th. Activity will be mainly on SSB and the lower frequencies. Chris states that he will use a 60 ft. vertical for 160/80/40 meters, a beam for 20/15/10 meters and an Inverted V dipole for 17/12 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau, and eQSL is also "OK".

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLANDS (OC-005). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) will be active as VK9AAA between July 22-29th. The HARAOA Group plans to have 3-4 stations on the air, and plan to be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) during their stay. Equipment to be used are ICOM radios into Spiderbeams, verticals and dipoles. Current operators mentioned are: Tommy/VK2IR (Team Leader), Chris/VK3FY (Co-Leader), Peter/VK3FGRC (Team Member/Webmaster) and Keith/VK3FT (Team Member). QSL via W3HNK. More details and updates are available at: http://vk9aaa.blogspot.com

WRTC-2010 ANNOUNCED. Some details of the 2010 World Radiosport Team Championship (the Olympic's of contesting) were released this past week. The WRTC-2010 will take place near the Russian capital of Moscow between July 8-12th, 2010. There will be 50 teams to compete from all over the world. All competitors will be located in the same geographical area within 40 x 30 km where height differences are not bigger than 40 meters. All competitor locations will be separated at least 500 m from each other. The event will be hosted by the "Soyuz Radioljubiteley Rossii" - Russian National Amateur Radio Society. For more details, visit the WRTC-2010 Web page at: http://www.wrtc2010.ru

XL/XM/XN/XO, CANADA (Special Prefixes). The following prefixes are being used by Canadians until the end of May: VE=XM, VA=XL, VO=XN and VY=XO. The special prefixes are for celebrating the 50th anniversary of the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. Look for Paul, VE9NC, to operate as XM9NC on digital and SSB modes on 20, 40 and 80 meters. QSL is via VE9NC. XM3NOO is also actively using the special prefix. QSL via VE3NOO. ADDED NOTE: In February and March of 2010, Canadians will use VX=VE, VG=VA, XK=VY and XJ=VO. These special prefixes will be used to promote the 2010 Winter Olympics Games in Canada.

YM3, TURKEY. Yasar, TA3D, will be active as YM3D during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via TA3D.

ZK2, NIUE (Update/OC-040). Chris, ZL1CT (GM3WOJ), will be active as ZK2V as early 0700z, May 17th through June 20th. He is already traveling north in ZL in preparation for departure next week. If the weather cooperates, he will land in Niue on Saturday afternoon, May 16th - which is early Sunday UTC. He states that this 5 week DXpedition is not a "Holiday DXpedition" but it aims to give as many stations their first QSO with ZK2 as possible. This is the cyclone season, so operation may be interrupted by electrical storms. Resources are limited, so activity will be mainly on 80/40/20/15 meters using CW and SSB, with some 30/17/12 meter activity and RTTY. Planned operations include entries in the 2009 ARRL CW and Phone Contests. He is told that he will have Internet access from his QTH. If so, his plans are to upload logs to LoTW on a daily or every other day basis. More details and Chris's online logs will be available on his DXpedition's Web page at: http://www.zk2v.com
A photo QSL is planned and obviously will come after the completion of the DXpedition, so please be patient. QSL via N3SL. Donations will be greatly appreciated.

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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9827. QSL summary from K3ZO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 02:08:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9827 Message: 9827

The following is extracted from the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin and originated as in the form of numerous emails from Fred, K3ZO. This is an attempt to correct misleading or outdated QSL info that is floating around the Internet. Although Fred is mostly concerned with the W3 incoming bureau, this information applies to all of us. I felt it was worth re-sending, and I thank K3ZO for his efforts in compiling the info and making it available to DXers.

73, Paul VE1DX

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9828. Latest Sunspot Predictions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 10:21:12 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9828 Message: 9828

Saw a blurb this morning on the internet about the latest sunspot predictions. Apparently, this particular forecast predicts the lowest activity cycle since 1928. Accurate or not, it brings a question:

For those of you with access to data (or from memory), what kind of Solar Flux can we expect from a sunspot average of say 45 or 75?

Art - N4PJ

9829. Re: Latest Sunspot Predictions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 16:38:56 UTC
From: bill_w4zv
Topic: 9828 Message: 9829

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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http://mysite.verizon.net/k9la/sitebuildercontent/sitebuilderfiles/correlation_between_solar_flux_and_sunspot_number.pdf

F = 63.75 + 0.728 S + 0.00089 S^2

S=45, F=98
S=75, F=123

73, Bill

9830. A92EV QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 21:33:36 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9830 Message: 9830

Has anyone been successful in getting a QSL from A92EV recently? I sent one direct to his Bahrain address on QRZ.COM and it was returned as undeliverable.

73s John AA5JG

9831. TL0A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 21:54:22 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 9831 Message: 9831

Greetings, all...

A few days ago, I had the good fortune to work TL0A on 15 metres. I checked QRZ.com to get some info, and found that although his QTH in the Central African Republic was acknowledged, his home address in France was given, and there was no information regarding his actual location in the Central African Republic.

Does anyone have any info on his exact location in that country?

thanks in advance,

&3,

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

9832. Re: [DX-IS] A92EV QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 22:07:11 UTC
From: wc6dx@aol.com
Topic: 9830 Message: 9832

John,

I spent a year in Bahrain and know Malcolm.? If I remember right, he was planning to retire and leave the country.

His UK callsign is G6PIB and QRZ.com shows an e-mail address.?

73 de Will WC6DX

-----Original Message-----
From: John Geiger <aa5jg@...>
To: dx-is@...
Sent: Mon, 11 May 2009 2:33 pm
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Yahoo! Groups Links

9833. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 22:11:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9833

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 11 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 131 Issued at 2200Z on 11 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
to 11/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No spots and no flares
were observed on the visible disk.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low, with a slight chance of an isolated C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
Geomagnetic activity was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic activity is
expected to be quiet for the forecast period (12-14 May).
III. Event Probabilities 12 May-14 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 11 May 072
Predicted 12 May-14 May 072/073/073
90 Day Mean 11 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 10 May 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 11 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 12 May-14 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 12 May-14 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9834. Weakest Cycle since 1928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-11 23:26:06 UTC
From: Robert Carroll
Topic: 9834 Message: 9834

<http://www.usnews.com/articles/science/2009/05/11/sun-entering-weakest-cycle-since-1928.html>

9835. Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 00:21:18 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9834 Message: 9835

Yes, and look how well they forecast the weather a couple of days in advance.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 5/11/09, Robert Carroll <w2wg@...t> wrote:

From: Robert Carroll <w2wg@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, May 11, 2009, 6:26 PM

<http://www.usnews. com/articles/ science/2009/ 05/11/sun- entering- weakest-cycl
e-since-1928. html>

9836. Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 00:35:37 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9834 Message: 9836

At 09:21 PM 5/11/2009, you wrote:

>Yes, and look how well they forecast the weather a couple of days in advance.
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>73s John AA5JG

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rocket to 73 on 13-14 May. This will likely mean occasional
worldwide 6 and 4 metre openings as well as 10 metres being open 24
hours a day. Make sure you have your 10-10 number ready. Mine is
#42051. No one has asked for it in a long time!

73, Paul VE1DX

9837. Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 01:00:50 UTC
From: K0BX
Topic: 9834 Message: 9837

My Ten-Ten number is 4055 4055. An oldie but goodie.

Joe K0BX

Paul M Dunphy wrote:

>At 09:21 PM 5/11/2009, you wrote:
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>73, Paul VE1DX
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9838. RE: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 01:01:56 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9834 Message: 9838

Well from memory, I think SFI needs to be around 100 for 10 metres to be open 24 hours a day...

SFI of 73 will get 20m open for a fair bit of the day except in winter...which we are approaching in the Southern Hemisphere... L

(and just an observation, no criticism implied or intended)...

I read the article about the correlation between SFI and SSNs, interesting...I always find it fascinating to what lengths we will go to make numbers fit or prove our ideals, we love to put things in boxes and label them, or come up with an answer and say 'ah, that's why'..... I guess it's about our fascination of trying to understand this incredibly complex world we live in...

My log has been a bit vacant over the past week, who has swallowed up all the DX?

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, 12 May 2009 8:36 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

At 09:21 PM 5/11/2009, you wrote:

>Yes, and look how well they forecast the weather a couple of days in advance.
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>73s John AA5JG

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73, Paul VE1DX

9839. Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 01:29:18 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9834 Message: 9839

Make sure you have ur Smurf # at hand also :)

Dale
----- Original Message -----
From: "K0BX" <k0bx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 9:00:50 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

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Joe K0BX

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9840. Re: [DX-IS] A92EV QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 02:25:06 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9830 Message: 9840

I wish I could just WORK an A9!

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, May 11, 2009 at 5:07 PM, <wc6dx@...> wrote:

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> John,
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> I spent a year in Bahrain and know Malcolm. If I remember right, he was
> planning to retire and leave the country.
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> His UK callsign is G6PIB and QRZ.com shows an e-mail address.
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> 73 de Will WC6DX
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: John Geiger <aa5jg@...>
> To: dx-is@...
> Sent: Mon, 11 May 2009 2:33 pm
> Subject: [DX-IS] A92EV QSLs
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> Has anyone been successful in getting a QSL from A92EV recently? I sent one
> direct to his Bahrain address on QRZ.COM <http://qrz.com/>
> and it was returned as undeliverable.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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9841. Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 02:26:44 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9834 Message: 9841

Maybe P5/4L4FN will be back on with his 10X number I got some time back as 72722 - made my day;-)
Rene
23526

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 5:35 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Weakest Cycle since 1928

> At 09:21 PM 5/11/2009, you wrote:
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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Version: 8.5.320 / Virus Database: 270.12.24/2108 - Release Date: 05/11/09 05:52:00

9842. 5N/LZ1QK license?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 20:27:09 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9842 Message: 9842

Anyone know the reason for the "no license" type comments in the spots for 5N/LZ1QK lately? He's been there for over a year, and I have received QSLs from the manager. I would guess they are being bounced by the DXCC Desk. Anyone know?

73, Paul VE1DX

9843. Re: [DX-IS] 5N/LZ1QK license?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 20:32:22 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 9842 Message: 9843

Paul,
??? I received a note indicating that 5N/LZ1QK did not have
authorization for operation from the Nigerian authorities. He
does not have a valid license.
John

John K1XN
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73, Paul VE1DX

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<*> To visit your group on the web, go to:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/

<*> Your email settings:
Individual Email | Traditional

<*> To change settings online go to:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/join
(Yahoo! ID required)

<*> To change settings via email:
mailto:DX-IS-digest@yahoogroups.com
mailto:DX-IS-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com

<*> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
DX-IS-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

<*> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

9844. Re: [DX-IS] 5N/LZ1QK license?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 20:33:44 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 9842 Message: 9844

PIRATE ALERT! Colin, G3PSM, reports: "An email just received from the Secretary General of the Nigerian Amateur Radio Society states that 5N/LZ1QK is not licenced in accordance with the Nigerian Telecommunications Act of 2006 and is therefore a pirate. Incidentally it is mandatory in Nigeria to join the National Society before you can obtain a licence!"

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9845. Re: [DX-IS] 5N/LZ1QK license?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 20:38:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9842 Message: 9845

At 05:32 PM 5/12/2009, you wrote:

>Paul,
> I received a note indicating that 5N/LZ1QK did not have
>authorization for operation from the Nigerian authorities. He
>does not have a valid license.
>John
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>West Tennessee DX Association
><http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WTDXA/>http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WTDXA/

Well that's not nice of him, John! You'd think he would tell a
fellow that when you work him. He's not usually a "5NN see'ya later"
type, and likes to rag-chew a bit. Had he told me he didn't have a
valid license, I still would have worked him, but I wouldn't have
sent to Bulgaria for a QSL card. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9846. High band clicks same as deleted clicks

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 21:04:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9846 Message: 9846

I was thinking lately (bad thing to do because my mother says
that an idle mind is the devil's workshop.) I don't think anyone
would be surprised if we see a really long solar cycle trough; even
the eternal optimists at NASA have pushed their prediction ahead for
it to peak in 2013 and to be a low one at that. Might even stay
where it is now for 10-20 years for all anyone knows.

What I was thinking was, if the flux stays below 80 (and there
seems to be no indication it will take off soon), they we will have
hit a unique time since the inception of the DXCC. It will not be
possible to work DX on 10/12 and probably 15. There is no rocket
science here. Except for brief openings due to Es, these bands are
essentially dead. All the stacks and all the power allowed (and even
double the power allowed) won't get you 100 countries on 10M.

So here's the deal. You can't work DX on the higher bands
now. It is against the laws of physics. Impossible to get DXCC on
10/12, and likely 15. This is exactly like not being able to work
The Canal Zone, Tibet, East Germany and a couple dozen other deleted
ones. The DXCC Desk realised this a long time ago, and that's why
you see totals like 338/380. The only real goal any DXer can achieve
today is 338. That's why the deleted clicks are listed as they are.

What I think the DXCC desk ought to do is put an asterisk beside
all high total calls in their listings for the DX Challenge with a
footnote saying "these totals represent QSOs occurring prior to
2007." Perhaps even expand it to include 15/12/10 listings as well.

That way, DXers starting now will be on an equal playing field,
and be given credit for working things that were possible. Just as
having a lot of deleted clicks in your total indicates old age, so
does a high band country count. I bet this will really go over well
and maybe someone ought to try and drum up support for it at the DX
dinner at Dayton. I would, but I'm not gonna be there! :-)

73/DX Paul VE1DX

9847. Re: [DX-IS] High band clicks same as deleted clicks

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 21:19:26 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9846 Message: 9847

--- On Tue, 5/12/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

>It will not be possible to work DX on 10/12 and probably 15.

Who's up for some 10 meter EME?

73s John AA5JG

9848. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 22:11:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9848

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 12 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 132 Issued at 2200Z on 12 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 11/2100Z
to 12/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 11/2100Z to 12/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (13 - 15 May).
III. Event Probabilities 13 May-15 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 12 May 074
Predicted 13 May-15 May 073/073/073
90 Day Mean 12 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 11 May 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 12 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 13 May-15 May 005/005-005/005-008/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 May-15 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9849. *E*A7QQ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-12 23:51:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9849 Message: 9849

I've noticed the last few evenings that EA7QQ has been causing a little stir on 20M because he's a lousy CW operator or his keyer and transmitter are not set up properly. I've heard quite a few guys in NA calling him as A7QQ because that's what he is sending. The E is being dropped accidentally, or, as I suspect, on purpose to garner interest.

There is no A7QQ and if you logged Satur as that, then go back and fix your log.

Also, FG/I2 something or other has been causing some ferocious pileups because he seldom gives his call (10 minutes tonight). As soon as he does, the pile-up diminishes.

73

Al, VE1AL
(in a curmudgeon-like mood)

9850. Re: [DX-IS] *E*A7QQ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-13 00:04:38 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9849 Message: 9850

At 08:51 PM 5/12/2009, you wrote, in part:

>73
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>Al, VE1AL
>(in a curmudgeon-like mood)

Hmmmmm . . . I gather you are unlikely to support my proposal to asterisk old curmudgeon calls and put a footnote in their DXCC listings if many of the QSOs were made during cycle peaks in decades past, right? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9851. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-13 03:05:41 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9721 Message: 9851

Maybe it should be called Report of NO Solar-Geophysical Activity.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, May 12, 2009 at 5:11 PM, Paul Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 12 2200 UTC

9852. RE: [DX-IS] *E*A7QQ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-13 03:21:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9849 Message: 9852

It might surprise you, Paul, that I have no objection to that idea. It would show the newbies that the older you get, longer in the tooth, if you will, shows how much of a curmudgeon one becomes. It only gets worse :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2009 9:05 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] *E*A7QQ

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73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo! Groups Links

9853. Flux highest in a year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-13 17:36:17 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9853 Message: 9853

According to http://www.solarcycle24.com/ the current flux of 74 (when adjusted to 1 AU by taking into account Earths's elliptical orbit) is really 75.5. Which ever number you use, this is the highest the flux has been in over a year.

73, Paul VE1DX

9854. RE: [DX-IS] Flux highest in a year

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-13 19:01:08 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 9853 Message: 9854

STEREO's Behind satellite shows a new spot that's a day or two away from rotating onto the sun's earth-facing hemisphere -- before any of the currently active spots will have rotated off. So we should see a further increase, perhaps to 76 or 77.

See <http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2009 1:36 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Flux highest in a year

According to http://www.solarcycle24.com/ the current flux of 74 (when adjusted to 1 AU by taking into account Earths's elliptical orbit) is really 75.5. Which ever number you use, this is the highest the flux has been in over a year.

73, Paul VE1DX

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No virus found in this incoming message.
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Version: 8.0.100 / Virus Database: 270.12.27/2112 - Release Date: 5/13/2009 7:04 AM

9855. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-13 22:11:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9855

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 13 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 133 Issued at 2200Z on 13 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
New Region 1017 (N18E27) was numbered today. This region is
classified as a Bxo beta spot group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be predominately quiet for the next three days (14 - 16
May).
III. Event Probabilities 14 May-16 May
Class M 01/01/01
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Predicted Afr/Ap 14 May-16 May 005/005-005/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 May-16 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9856. ARLD019 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-13 21:30:23 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 3912 Message: 9856

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ARLD019 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 19 ARLD019
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 13, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD019
ARLD019 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TOGO, 5V7. Werner, DL9MBI, is now active as 5V7PM until May 30. Activity has been on 20 meters, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to his home call sign via the bureau.

ETHIOPIA, ET. Peter, DM2BBN, is active as ET3BN. Activity will be on CW and SSB on 80, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12, 10 and 6 meters. He is not active on 160 and 40 meters right now. QSL direct to: Dr. Peter Haferkorn, PO Box 150194, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

SPAIN, EE2. Members of the Ondarroa Group will be active as EE2W during the CQWW WPX CW Contest as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EB2BXL.

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2/WP3. Jaime, WP3A, will be active as KP2B from St. Croix during the CQWW WPX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL direct to EA7FTR.

LITHUANIA, LY. Members of the Kaunas University of Technology will be active as LY7A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via the LoTW or LY2ZO.

ISLE OF MAN, MD4. Operators David, G3NKC, Peter, G4MJS, Martin, G4XUM, Lionel, G5LP, Michael, G7VJR and Mark, 2E0NCG will be active as MD4K during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Multi entry. QSL via G3NKC.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. Operators Norbert, DJ7JC, Ulrich, DJ9IE, Detlef, DK3QZ, Marcus, DL1EKC and Rein, PA0R will be active as OH0EC in the upcoming CQWW WPX CW Contest. The team members will be individually

active between May 24 and June 3 signing OH0/home call. The operation will be mainly CW with some 30, 17 and 12 meter activity. QSL OH0EC via DL1EKC, and the individual operators via their respective home call signs. All QSLs are OK via Bureau.

PACIFIC TOUR. Steve, 9M6DXX (G4JVG), will active as FK/G4JVG from Noumea, OC-032, New Caledonia, between May 22 and June 3, and as G4JVG/VK4 from North Stradbroke Island, OC-137, Australia, between June 7 and 9. Activity will be holiday style while celebrating his 25th wedding anniversary with Eva, 9M6EVA. Operations will be SSB only, on 40, 20 and 17 meters, and possibly 15 meters. QSL both operations via Tim, M0URX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

TURKEY, YM3. Yasar, TA3D, will be active as YM3D during the CQWW WPX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via TA3D.

NIUE, ZK2. Chris, ZL1CT, (GM3WOJ), will be active as ZK2V May 17 through June 20. Activity will be mainly on 80, 40, 20 and 15 meters using CW and SSB, with some 30, 17 and 12 meter activity and RTTY. QSL via N3SL.

CHINA, BY. I0SNY, Nicola Sanna, will be operating BY1DX May 14 through 16. His operating time will be from 0700 to 1100Z each of those three days. He will sign BY1DX/I0SNY on 40 through 10 meters. QSL via I0SNY.

CYPRUS, 5B. 5B/OZ1IIL will be active until May 16. He is activating various lighthouses.

JAPAN, 8J. Ten special calls from 8J04OM to 8J94OM will be on from each of Japan's 10 call districts from May 16 to July 20. They are celebrating the 40 meter band expansion in Japan. QSL all via the JARL bureau.

ALGERIA, 7X. 7X2DD will be a special call sign for the International Algerian Sahara HAM Meeting June 15 to 21. Hosted by members of the Algerian Radio Amateurs Association, ARA and the Djelfa Radio Club (7X2VFK), this one will be all bands and modes and there will be a special diploma instead of a standard QSL card.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: J20SE, Djibouti, 2009 Operation and A52DT, Bhutan, 2009 Operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC Sprint, Feld Hell Sprint, EU PSK DX Contest, His Majesty King of Spain Contest, Baltic Contest, All America Contest, Run for the Bacon QRP Contest and the Worked All Britain - LF Phone Contest are all on tap for this weekend. Please May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest Web sites for details.
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9857. Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 11:58:06 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9857 Message: 9857

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Bob KB1JZU

9858. Re: [DX-IS] Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 12:14:25 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9857 Message: 9858

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9859. Re: [DX-IS] Where are they now?

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Date: 2009-05-14 13:37:18 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9857 Message: 9859

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9860. Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 15:01:59 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9857 Message: 9860

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9861. Re: [DX-IS] Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 16:00:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9857 Message: 9861

When I was first licensed in 1980 CE0AE was on all of the time from Easter Island.

73s John AA5JG

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From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Where are they now?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, May 14, 2009, 8:37 AM

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9862. Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 19:28:47 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9857 Message: 9862

I came back on the air approximately 5 years ago (spring 2004) and I've heard and worked all those entities you list. There was a particularly large dxpedition to R1MV back about three to four years ago.

Easter Is. has been on, but not in a very big way. There have been several ops there, but none of them were extremely active.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "rmontemerlo" <kb1jzu@...> wrote:
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9863. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 19:38:53 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9857 Message: 9863

I looked on Google for Henry, XQ0YAF, and see various reports of his being active from the early to mid-90's (when I used to work him a lot) through maybe 2003. Don't see anything after that. So I don't know if he became a silent key or moved off the island, but it doesn't look like he's active, at least not as he used to be. He was on 15 CW practically every afternoon years ago.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, May 14, 2009 at 2:28 PM, Art Burke <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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9864. Re: [DX-IS] Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 20:23:18 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9857 Message: 9864

Yup - Father Dave - worked him six times on 10, 15, & 20m from 2/1981 to 10/1982 & QSL to WA3HUP, Mary Ann Crider...
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 9:00 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Where are they now?

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9865. Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 21:30:57 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9857 Message: 9865

Thanks Art

I just found R1MVW in Nov 2005 on DX Summit. I must have been in hibernation. There was some big D6 Dxpedition that set records at the time but I believe that was several years before (2002?)

Bob KB1JZU

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9866. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-14 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9866

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 134 Issued at 2200Z on 14 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1017 (N18E17)
remains a Bxo beta spot group. This region was relatively quiet,
however, it has increased slightly in sunspot count.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be predominately quiet for the next three days (15 - 17
May).
III. Event Probabilities 15 May-17 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 May 074
Predicted 15 May-17 May 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 14 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 13 May 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 14 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 15 May-17 May 005/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 15 May-17 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9867. More 20M intrusion?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 11:28:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9867 Message: 9867

The last few days I've heard what sounds like regular RTTY on
14.0053 MHz. Won't decode at 45 baud regular or reversed. I haven't
done a lot of fooling around with the digital modes lately, but it
does sound like RTTY (not PSK or the like.) Pretty loud, and I don't
know where it's coming from for sure. Seems to be peaking out of EU
, but I haven't done a lot of beam swinging. Maybe it will go away.

73, Paul VE1DX

9868. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 12:04:38 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9857 Message: 9868

At 12:01 PM 5/14/2009, you wrote:
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I wouldn't limit it to that, Bob. Most "pros" use keyboards, especially in contests. I have a straight key, a set of brass paddles and a keyboard in "parallel" and I'm 50/50 between the paddles and the keyboard. Just because the retired professional RO's can do it at 40 WPM with a straight key doesn't set the standard for the rest of us to do the same. Many logging programs and almost all contest programs have computer sending capability.

Regarding copying, all of the ones you mentioned are not going to rag-chew. You just need to be able to copy 5NN and your call and 25+ WPM, and be able to send back 5NN TU or equivalent. The best way to learn to do this under pressure is to get in there and call (make 100% sure you can copy your call (or part of it with a ?) and go for it. Don't get a MFJ Pocket Code Reader or computer decoding software because all of these reading "aids" are junk and don't work. However with a keying program that will send your call, etc. you should be able to work the kind of DX you described without being able to converse in high speed CW . . . and hold your head high afterwards.

Everyone sets their own standards, and I'm suggesting that you shouldn't shun CW because you feel you need an aid of some sort. If it helps, get one, but you'll learn really fast to haul your call out of a din of 1000 calling. It just jumps out at a guy. Really, it does. More distinct than on phone. I can't explain why, but it's like someone yelled it in your ear.

The D6 mega-DXpedition was D68C in 2001, and they went there in shifts of 10-12 OPs for almost a month. They made 168,722 QSOs. The info on that one is here:

http://www.eham.net/articles/1875

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9869. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 13:38:56 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9857 Message: 9869

Download a copy of Morserunner or RUFZ and play around with it. Morserunner is fun because it pretty realistically simulates a pileup (YOU'RE the DX working the pileup). It's a fun way to improve your code speed.

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9870. Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 14:04:58 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 9857 Message: 9870

Paul

Thank you for the encouragement!

I am not avoiding CW and definitely don't shy away from computer generated or keyed code. I actually did the entire W1SLF TPA with a paddle at 20wpm but as always recieving is the issue. I need 10-15wpm with repeats not what you want in a huge DX pile up.

Yes I can copy 5NN, TU, & 73 at high speed. W1SLF is pretty easy too but KB1JZU is a challenge. I have logged a number of duplicates band/countries using the computer, hearing, and CWget as a back up.

Its interesting, at my level if its loud enough for CWget to copy it easily then I can recognize a response. If it to weak for CWget then although I can hear it I am not capable of decoding it either.

It is just a ethical thing with me. I deserve new ones on Phone & Digital! Might not be the best but I will go up against anyone.

Just don't feel I deserve adding to the mix count based on a CW contacts since I really am not capable of a "QSO" at that speed. What can I say......its a personality flaw.

Having said that I still try to practice so that in my old age I have something new to work on ....HI

Always a pleasure Paul

Bob -.- -... .---- .--- --.. ..-

9871. Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 14:14:50 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9871 Message: 9871

1200 UTC today (Friday), DU3NXE has a medium pileup going on 20 CW. He's sending about 25 WPM, I copy him 589 (first time I have EVER heard a DU station on any band, so I am in there fast into the pileup).

DU3 is giving stations E and W coast NA an RST of 539 and 529, so I know with my 100 watts it is going to be close.

DU3 is excellent op, he is running the pileup well, fast, but obviously he is not copying anyone 599 because he is occasionally pausing after each SK.

So after one SK from DU3, several of us are calling. He does not respond (slight pause, as usual). We keep calling for another 30 sec. Then no one calling but N7*** and myself. We keep at it, hoping he will hear us.

I think maybe he is waiting for the herd to thin so that he can hear the weak signals better (N7 obviously thinks the same thing). So the N7 and I keep calling for another 30 sec.

Suddenly, someone stateside sends "LID" on the freq. I think to myself "HUH?"

Now, this guy who sent it was not the N7 station (who was S2 here), and the OM who sent it did not send their call. And this OM was no newbie using a machine to copy code. I would presume he is an OT DXer. Would a newbie send LID? I think not.

So the question, from me the DX rookie to all you guru DXers out there: was I being a LID in this case? What is generally accepted procedure in this instance?

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

http://wd4elg.net

9872. Re: [DX-IS] Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 14:44:42 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9871 Message: 9872

No, you weren't the lid. I would've done the same myself. The only case where I'd consider myself a lid in this instance is if the DX got into a QSO and was working someone and I kept sending my call.

I always ignore such comments if the other station doesn't send a callsign. Sending "LID" without sending his call immediately puts HIM in the "LID" category. It's also illegal.

73, Zack W9SZ

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9873. Re: [DX-IS] Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 15:08:36 UTC
From: WA8WV@aol.com
Topic: 9871 Message: 9873

Keep in mind, another possibility since the DU was weak and poor copy. You, WD4ELG may have lost copy and the DU was working someone at that time. Who knows but..... that does happen.

DX,
Dave WA8WV

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Recession-proof vacation ideas. Find free things to do in the U.S. (http://travel.aol.com/travel-ideas/domestic/national-tourism-week?ncid=emlcntustrav00000002)

9874. [425ENG] 425 DX News #941

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 15:59:06 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9874 Message: 9874

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

4J - The Federation of Radio Sports of Azerbaijan is organizing an expedition to Nagorno Karabakh from 28 May to 1 June. The team will operate as 4K3K and 4J0K, including activity during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL for both calls via RW6HS. [TNX 4J5T]
5B - John/5B4AIS, Paul/DH9VA, Stelios/SV1AAU, John/SV1GE, Chris/SV2DGH, Takis/SV2FWV and Sakis/SV2HNC will be active as C4SV from Cyprus (AS-004) on 23-29 May. They plan to be QRV on all bands SSB, CW, RTTY. QSL via SV2DGH. [TNX SV2DGH]
DL - Thomas, DH1TS will be active as DH1TS/p from Amrum Island (EU-042) on 20-28 May. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
E7 - The Akademski Radio Klub (E74EBL) will operate special event call E709WRC on 17-24 May for the World Rafting Championship to be held in Banja Luka, Bosnia & Herzegovina. QSL via E77E. [TNX E77E]
EI - Stan, EI6DX (UA1OUT) will be active as EJ6DX from Inis Mor, Aran Islands (EU-006) on 22-24 May and again from 29 May to 1 June (including an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest on 40 metres). QSL via RX3RC, direct or bureau. Updates will be available at www.ei6dx.com [TNX EI6DX]
F - A few special event stations are or will be active from French department 59 to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of radioactivity pioneer and Nobel laureate Pierre Curie: TM6RPC (until 22 May, QSL via F8KOT), TM8RPC (until 24 May, QSL via F6KTN), TM2RPC (23 May-5 June, QSL via F6BDM), TM5RPC (25 May-8 June, QSL via F8KGS). [TNX F8REF]
FO - Les (SP3DOI), Jan (SP3CYY), Wojciech (SP9PT), Jozef (SP9-31029) and Michel/FO5QB will be active from the Austral and Marquesas Islands between late September and late October:
29/09-12/10 TX5SPA (requested call) Tubuai (OC-152), Austral Isls
16/10-22/10 TX5SPM (requested call) Marquesas Isls (OC-027)
They will have three stations and will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and Possibly PSK31 on 160-10 metres, with an emphasis on working Europe on the low bands. QSL for both calls via SP9PT. The web site for

the expedition is at http://fo2009sp.pl [TNX SP9PT]
FR/G - The long-awaited DXpedition to Glorioso (AF-011) is now expected to take place in July. Three or four military radio amateurs, along with two film-makers from the Defence Press Service, will be on the island on 9-28 July. The team (including F5PRU, F5IRO, F5TLN, and maybe F4EGS or F5RQQ) will be active with three stations on 160-6 metres on as many modes as possible. Callsign to be announced, QSL via F5OGL. A log search will be available and updated on a daily basis at http://glorieuses2008.free.fr [TNX F6AJA]
G - John, M0XIG and Tony, 2E0SBS will operate special event station GB2CT on 21-23 May from the site of the optical telegraph at Chalton, Hampshire (England). The Chalton Shutter Telegraph was one of a number that operated as a communication link for the British Admiralty between London and Plymouth. QSL via M0XIG, direct or bureau.
G - Promoting geological heritage to the general public, special station GB6GEO will be on the air on 23-24 May from "Kent's Cavern", England's oldest "home" situated in the English Riviera Torbay). QSL via G3VOF. Details on this event, as well on the relevant certificate, can be found at qrz.com under GB6GEO. [TNX G3VOF]
GJ - Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG are active as MJ/homecall from Jersey (EU-013) until 27 May. They will operate RTTY, PSK and SSB on 80-6 metres. QSLs via DL7AFS, bureau preferred. Their website is at http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs [TNX DXNL]
HB0 - Tina, DL5YL and Fred, DL5YM will be active as HB0/homecall from Liechtenstein from 20 June to 2 July. They will operate holiday style on the HF bands mainly CW, possibly with some RTTY. QSL via home calls. [TNX DL5YM]
HV - A group of operators from ARI Saronno (namely I2OGV, I2RFJ, I2ZBX, IK2DJV and IZ2LSC) will be active from HV5PUL, the amateur radio station at the Pontifical Lateran University (Vatican City), on 1, 3 and 4 June. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL to HV5PUL (see qrz.com). [TNX IW0DJB]
I - IW2MZX, IZ2AJE, IZ2GLU and IZ2GMT will be active as IF9E from Levanzo Island (EU-054, IIA TP-009) on 21-24 May. They plan to operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres. QSL via IZ2GLU, direct and bureau. [TNX IZ2GMT]
I - Special callsign II6AN will be aired from 27 May to 10 June to celebrate the 60th anniversary of ARI Ancona. Expect activity on the HF, VHF, UFH and SHF bands SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via IK6VXO. [TNX I6GFX]
J6 - John, W5JON will be active on 160-6 metres as J68JA from St. Lucia (NA-108) on 20-30 October, including a SOAB entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via W5JON. [TNX W5JON].
KL - Don, N6IC will be active as N6IC/KL7 from Douglas Island (NA-041) during a family visit on 21-30 May. QSL via home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
OH0 - DJ7JC, DJ9IE, DK3QZ, DL1EKC and PA0R will be active as OH0/homecall

(QSL via home calls, direct or bureau) from the Aland Islands (EU-002) from 24 May to 3 June, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as OH0EC (QSL via DL1EKC, direct or bureau). Look for them on 30, 17 and 12 metres CW outside the WPX event. [TNX DL1EKC]
ON - Kurt, ON4CB and Francois, ON4LO will be active from Lillo lighthouse (ARLHS BEL-028) on 23-24 May. They plan to operate SSB on 20, 40 and 80 metres. QSL via bureau. [TNX ON4LO]
OZ - Harry/PA1H and Nico/PA7PA will be active as OZ/homecall from Lango Island, off Langeland Island (EU-172) from 25 July to 1 August, IOTA Contest included. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 10-160 metres, with some activity on the VHF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX PA1H]
SV - Michael, DF3IS will be active as J48IS from Thassos Island (EU-174) on 19-25 May. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [TNX DXNL]
SV - The White Tower DX Team (www.whitetowerdxt.com) will be active as SY2WT from Posidhion Lighthouse (ARLHS GRE-111) on 22-31 May, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via SV2FPU, direct or bureau. [TNX SV2FPU]
SV5 - Darren, G0TSM will be active holiday style as SV5/G0TSM from Kos Island (EU-001) from 20 May to 3 June. He will focus on 6 and 12 metres (SSB and CW), running 100 watts to a 3-element yagi for 6m and a quad loop for 12m. QSL via home call. [TNX G0TSM]
TA - TA0U, TA1FR, TA1HZ, TA2DJ, TA2JN and TA2RX will be active as TC2009UC on 16-20 May. The special callsign celebrates the final match of the 2008-09 UEFA Cup football (soccer) tournament to be played in Instanbul on 20 May. QSL via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]
TA - Special callsign TC2ATAM will be activated on 17-19 May to commemorate the 90th anniversary of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk's arrival to Samsun, the city where he initiated the War of Independence. Main activity will be on 20-40 metres. QSL via TA1KB. [TNX TA1HZ]
TA - Ondra (OK1CDJ), Frantisek (OK1DF), Zdenek (OK1FIA), Pavel (OK1MU) and Slavek (OK1TN) will be active as TC098A from Kara Ada (AS-098) on 17-22 May. They will operate SSB and CW on 10-40 metres, and possibly via ES on the VHF bands. They plan to be on the air for about 16-18 hours a day with two stations. QSL via OK2GZ, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.okdxf.eu/expedice/tc098a/en/ [TNX OK1MU]
TK - Eva, HA3FRE and Tomi, HA4DX will be active as TK/homecall from Ersa, Corsica (EU-014) on 16-23 May. They plan to operate mainly on 30 and 40 metres CW during their evenings and nights. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
TK - Enrico, I4GAD will be sailing in the TK waters between 17 and 23 May. He hopes to be able to operate as TK/I4GAD from the main island (EU-014) and either the Cerbicales (EU-100) and the Sanguinaires (EU-104) islands. Activity will be for a few hours only, mainly CW. [TNX I4GAD]
TZ - Ed/W0SD, Arliss/W7XU and possibly others will be active as TZ6EI from Mali from 26 June to 5 July. Their primary focus will be 6

metres on 50103 kHz, with some HF operation planned for late night non-Sporadic E hours. "Please just send us your RST/RS signal report", they say, "we do not need your grid square". Due to the lack of an internet connection no on-line logs are planned. QSL via W7XU. [TNX W0SD]
UR - Crisna, IZ3GWJ says he will be active as UT/IZ3GWJ from Ternopil, Ukraine until 30 May. He plans to concentrate on 20, 10 and 6 metres (locator KN29).
UR - Special event station EM5UCC will be active on all bands and modes on 20-25 May for the 19th Conference of the Ukrainian Contest Club that will be held in Kiev. QSL via UY5ZZ. [TNX UY5ZZ]
V3 - Terry, W6WTG (V31UR) and Sharon, N2OWL (V31WL) have postponed their July trip to Caye Caulker [425DXN 915]. New dates to be decided.
VE - Dick/VE1AI, Frank/VE1FHW, Ella/VE1PEI, Scott/VE1QD, Gary/VE1RGB and Ken/VY2RU will be active from Brier Island (NA-127, CIsA NS-011) on 22-25 May. [TNX VY2RU]
VK9N - A group of operators from the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia will be active as VK9AAA from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 22-29 July, IOTA Contest included. They plan to be active with multiple stations on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via W3HNK. Further information can be found at http://vk9aaa.blogspot.com [TNX NG3K]
YB - YB7IM and others will be active as YE7M from Payung Payungan, Laut Kecil Islands (OC-268) on 22-24 May. They plan to operate SSB (7080, 14260, 18150, 21260 and 28360 kHz) and CW (7023, 14040, 18098, 21040 and 28040 kHz). QSL via YB7KNV.

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Steve, 9M6DXX (G4JVG) will operate as FK/G4JVG from Noumea (OC-032) from 22 May until 3 June, and as G4JVG/VK4 from North Stradbroke Island (OC-137) on 7-9 June. Both operations will be holiday style while celebrating his 25th wedding anniversary with Eva, 9M6EVA. Activity will be SSB only, using 100 watts to 'fishing rod' verticals on 40, 20, 17 and perhaps 15 metres. QSL both operations via M0URX, direct or bureau. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX 9M6DXX]

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The CQ DX Hall of Fame was established in 1967 to recognize major contributions by DXers. This year's inductees are Neville Cheadle, G3NUG and Tom Harrell, N4XP.

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:
J20SE Djibouti 2009 Operation
A52DT Bhutan 2009 Operation

QSL 8P6DR ---> Richard, G3RWL says that all logs have now been recovered [425DXN 939] and all outstanding QSL requests have been answered.

QSL 9V1YC ---> The QSL route is via N5ID, but serious health problems have prevented Joe from responding to QSL requests for several months now. Randy Becnel, W5UE is "temporarily taking over answering Joe's backlog of requests", starting with direct cards for 9V1YC (bureau cards will follow as time allows). Once he has the blank cards, he will also answer N1YC/VK9X and 9V9HQ requests. [TNX Xthe Daily DX]

WRTC ---> Next year's World Radiosport Team Championship, to be held in Russia on 8-12 July, will be for the first time a Field Day style competition. The 50 teams will be scattered on a wide area in the open country to the south of Moscow. The website for the event is at http://www.wrtc2010.ru

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8MM, 3C0M, 3V8BB, 4K0CW, 4K9W, 4L1FP, 4L6QC, 4S7FMG, 4U1UN, 5H1DF, 5N0EVR, 5T5JA, 5U7JB, 5V7BR, 5W0DP, 5X1NH, 7Q7LA, 7Z1HL, 7Z1SJ, 8P5A, 8P9KA, 9J2CA, 9J2YO, 9K2/SP4R, 9L0W, A7/M0FGA, A71AN, A92GE, AH0BT, C31CT, CE1KR, CE8SFG, CM6RCR, CO6XN, CO8LY, CT3/DJ7RJ, D4C, DU3NXE, E51KAJ, E51QQQ, EK6TA, ER0WW, ER4DX, ES1QD, ET3JA, EU1UN, FG/K9NW, FH/G3SWH, FJ/G3TXF, FJ/SP7VC, FK/G3TXF, FK/JA1KAJ, FK/JK1FNL, FK8CP, FM/KL7WA, FM1HN, FP/VE7SV, FS/W3FF, FS/WW5L, FW5ZL, H40MS (OC-065), H44MS (OC-047), H7/K9NW, HC1MD, HC8N, HH4/AF4Z, HI3/N3SY, HI3A, HK0/EA7HEJ, HP3DX, HP3TA, HS0ZEE, HV5PUL, J28KO, J38JR, J6/W5JON, J88DR, J88XF, JA1XGI/VK9X, JD1BMH, JD1BMM, JT1CO, JT1DN, JW9VDA, JY4NE, K5D, KG4GY, KH2/JF2CRP, KH6/K9FD, KL7J, KL7Y, KP2/K3CT, LM9K75Y, N2OB/150, OA4O, OH0R, OM8A, OX/G3TXF, OX2A, OX5AA, OY9JD, P29VCX, P40K, P40TA, PJ2/N4QQ, PJ7MF, PY0FF, PZ5RA, PZ5TT, RK3AWL, RW2F, S79JF, SJ2W, SU8JOTA, T27OU, T32BE, T77C, T88NF, T88WW, T8CW, TF3CW, TF4M, TS7C (AF-073), TY5ZR, UK9AA, UN7QX, V26G, V31FB, V31WA, V63WW, V73M, V88HTL (OC-088), V8AQM, VK9DWX, VK9N/G3TXF, VP2MPL, VP2V/K9NW, VP2V/SP3IPB, VP6TD, VP8DLQ, VP8KF, VP8YLB, VP9KF, VR2PX, VU2PAI, VU2PHD, VX8X (NA-192), WP2B, XU7MDY, XW1B, YB0DPO,

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9876. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 20:47:59 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9857 Message: 9876

One observation, gents: just listen to the CW prowess of the "machine head" when he is asked to repeat something. He generally asks for a repeat of the question, has to stop and think before sending the repeat, and his code sending ability is dismal. Then he gets back on his keyboard and all is well in the contest world.

BTW, the same happens when a guy who can't send code is answered by the DX and he has to insert his name and QTH into the reply. Some guys program their keyers, of course, but many don't. They, to my mind, should not be allowed to operate CW and should be publicly embarrassed at every opportunity.

Admittedly, my CW prowess has diminished considerably due to medical reasons and sometimes I get caught in situations where my CW is unbearable (they call it essential tremors -- something I don't consider essential at all) but all they guys I hear sending poorly can't possibly be suffering the same problem. Can they?

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2009 9:05 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

At 12:01 PM 5/14/2009, you wrote:
>Paul/Zack thanks....
>
>I'm seeing part of the problem at least with D69XC....no cw here except
>for within NA (I'm to slow). Only look for SSB & Digital spots.
>Won't log new one one CW until I can keep up without aids.
>
>Bob KB1JZU

I wouldn't limit it to that, Bob. Most "pros" use keyboards, especially in contests. I have a straight key, a set of brass paddles and a keyboard in "parallel" and I'm 50/50 between the paddles and the keyboard. Just because the retired professional RO's can do it at 40 WPM with a straight key doesn't set the standard for the rest of us to do the same. Many logging programs and almost all contest programs have computer sending capability.

Regarding copying, all of the ones you mentioned are not going to rag-chew. You just need to be able to copy 5NN and your call and 25+ WPM, and be able to send back 5NN TU or equivalent. The best way to learn to do this under pressure is to get in there and call (make 100% sure you can copy your call (or part of it with a ?) and go for it. Don't get a MFJ Pocket Code Reader or computer decoding software because all of these reading "aids" are junk and don't work. However with a keying program that will send your call, etc. you should be able to work the kind of DX you described without being able to converse in high speed CW . . . and hold your head high afterwards.

Everyone sets their own standards, and I'm suggesting that you shouldn't shun CW because you feel you need an aid of some sort. If it helps, get one, but you'll learn really fast to haul your call out of a din of 1000 calling. It just jumps out at a guy. Really, it does. More distinct than on phone. I can't explain why, but it's like someone yelled it in your ear.

The D6 mega-DXpedition was D68C in 2001, and they went there in shifts of 10-12 OPs for almost a month. They made 168,722 QSOs. The info on that one is here:

http://www.eham.net/articles/1875

73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo! Groups Links

9877. Re: Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 20:49:56 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 9871 Message: 9877

You ever been driving down the highway minding your own business while you're driving the speed limit and along comes someone who drives right up behind you and tailgates? He's just right on your bumper. He can go around you but he'd rather still sit on your tail. Eventually he passes you and flips you off as he flies by.

Sometimes those guys buy ham radios.

73,
Jim (AA0MZ)

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Lunday, WD4ELG" <mlunday@...> wrote:
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> 1200 UTC today (Friday), DU3NXE has a medium pileup going on 20 CW. He's
> sending about 25 WPM, I copy him 589 (first time I have EVER heard a DU
> station on any band, so I am in there fast into the pileup).
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> DU3 is giving stations E and W coast NA an RST of 539 and 529, so I know
> with my 100 watts it is going to be close.
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> DU3 is excellent op, he is running the pileup well, fast, but obviously he
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> So after one SK from DU3, several of us are calling. He does not respond
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9878. RE: [DX-IS] Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 20:51:16 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9871 Message: 9878

Don't be sweatin' the small stuff, Mark. The LID was probably sending to the LID you couldn't hear. Most importantly, did you work the DU?

73

Al, VE1AL

BTW, I've worked NXE many times, always on 20, and he is a good operator. He'll be back.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2009 11:15 AM
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Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

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9879. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 21:30:19 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9871 Message: 9879

Yeah but in that case you can hopeflly get his license plate number.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, May 15, 2009 at 3:49 PM, Jim <aa0mz@...> wrote:

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> You ever been driving down the highway minding your own business while
> you're driving the speed limit and along comes someone who drives right up
> behind you and tailgates? He's just right on your bumper. He can go around
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9880. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-15 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9880

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 15 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 135 Issued at 2200Z on 15 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 14/2100Z
to 15/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1017 (N18E06)
remained quiet.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 14/2100Z to 15/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at predominately quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be predominately quiet for the next three days (16 - 18
May).
III. Event Probabilities 16 May-18 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 15 May 074
Predicted 16 May-18 May 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 15 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 14 May 008/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 15 May 005/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 16 May-18 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 16 May-18 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9881. Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 00:05:53 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9857 Message: 9881

I may be mistaken on the D6 activation - on the road at the moment and don't have all my data handy. I worked them back in the 80s when Lloyd and Iris were there. The R1MVW was a pretty big thing not too long ago - it was a new one for me.

R1MV is an interesting situation. The "Russian controlled" territory is separated from Russia by Finland, so that gets it in as an entity via the rules. The interesting part is that Russia apparently doesn't actually own the territory, but leases it from Finland!

So the governing body is Russia even though Finland owns it.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "rmontemerlo" <kb1jzu@...> wrote:
>
> Thanks Art
>
> I just found R1MVW in Nov 2005 on DX Summit. I must have been in hibernation. There was some big D6 Dxpedition that set records at the time but I believe that was several years before (2002?)
>
> Bob KB1JZU
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@> wrote:
> >
> > I came back on the air approximately 5 years ago (spring 2004) and I've heard and worked all those entities you list. There was a particularly large dxpedition to R1MV back about three to four years ago.
> >
> > Easter Is. has been on, but not in a very big way. There have been several ops there, but none of them were extremely active.
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
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9882. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 04:36:17 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9857 Message: 9882

At 11:04 AM 5/15/2009, you wrote:
>Paul
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>Thank you for the encouragement!
>
>I am not avoiding CW and definitely don't shy away from computer
>generated or keyed code. I actually did the entire W1SLF TPA with a
>paddle at 20wpm but as always recieving is the issue. I need
>10-15wpm with repeats not what you want in a huge DX pile up.
>
>Yes I can copy 5NN, TU, & 73 at high speed. W1SLF is pretty easy too
>but KB1JZU is a challenge. I have logged a number of
>duplicates band/countries using the computer, hearing, and CWget as a back up.
>
>Its interesting, at my level if its loud enough for CWget to copy it
>easily then I can recognize a response. If it to weak for CWget then
>although I can hear it I am not capable of decoding it either.
>
>It is just a ethical thing with me. I deserve new ones on Phone &
>Digital! Might not be the best but I will go up against anyone.
>
>Just don't feel I deserve adding to the mix count based on a CW
>contacts since I really am not capable of a "QSO" at that speed.
>What can I say......its a personality flaw.
>
>Having said that I still try to practice so that in my old age I
>have something new to work on ....HI
>
>Always a pleasure Paul
>
>Bob -.- -... .---- .--- --.. ..-

Good stuff, Bob. As I said initially, everyone sets their own standards. As long as it is legal and according to the DXCC rules, I'm a happy camper! You will get your speed up by ear sooner than you think, and that's great.

Where I differ from some OPs when they try to judge others by their standards. Some feel there are the legal and DXCC regulations/rules, and on top of that some arbitrary "higher" level of operating they set for themselves, and if you or I or the kid down the road doesn't meet the same level, then they are looked down upon as a lesser DXers.

This is not restricted to CW in any way. It includes just about anything you can think of, from DX lists; to how much mic gain; to

how much power and a dozen other things. The best one I ever heard was a fellow chastising another for running about 700-800 watts when he chose to run 5 watts in the same pileup. He wanted to prove he could work DXCC QRP (a tough thing to do and requiring an excellent antenna system and great timing.) His point; "If you would stop using your linear, I'd have a lot better shot at my QRP DXCC. I don't need power because I have the skill to do it with 5 watts. You guys are ruining the fun."

My response to that sort of elitist attitude can't be printed here! :-)

I say let each DXer do it their way, and stop worrying about how others do it. Will be easier on the blood pressure and reduce ulcers! You are having fun at this game, and so am I. That's why we do it.

73, Paul VE1DX

9883. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 05:40:49 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9857 Message: 9883

--- On Fri, 5/15/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

>His point; "If you would stop using your linear, I'd have a lot better >shot at my QRP DXCC. I don't need power because I have the skill to do it >with 5 watts. You guys are ruining the fun."

That doesn't make sense. If he was so skilled, he could do it in spite of the others running power. I would have a lot better chance of making honor roll if no one else ever called the DX.

73s John AA5JG

9884. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 14:36:18 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9857 Message: 9884

At 02:40 AM 5/16/2009, John Geiger wrote:

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That was my point, John. In this case, he apparently decided to try something exceedingly hard (work a major DXpedition during the first few days with 5 watts.) He claimed to be extremely skilled and to have an excellent antenna system. I have no reason to doubt either claim. He was still wasting his time in the face of the hordes calling with full smoke. (Something he had done for decades until he got them all worked, and was looking for a new challenge.) My point was, if any of us choose to set a high bar for ourselves, we ought not get mad at those who do not. It was a personal goal.

I can decide to try and work 100 on 160M with a 10-foot trapped vertical and 10 watts using 75 WPM computer generate CW, but I ought not be upset when the guys with a 4-squares and 1,500 watts sending at 20 WPM beat me out! :-)

Anyhow, my original point stands. We need to not take an elitist attitude and look down on other OPs because they don't do it the same way we do. Legality and meeting the DXCC rules are what is required. Anyone can impose additional personal goals beyond that to their heart's content. The key word is "personal."

73, Paul VE1DX

9885. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 15:21:36 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9857 Message: 9885

Yes, I agree. It's all in the game. There are people running the legal limit, there are those with barefoot rigs and there are those running QRP. There are those with dipoles and there are those with stacked 6/6/6 on each band. They are all operating legally.

No one is forcing anyone to follow any of these paths. Economic conditions and choice of QTH may (I can't afford a legal-limit amp and can't put up several 70 foot towers with stacked monobanders in my yard). But that's not imposed by a particular individual - in part, it's still your choice. If you decide to choose a particular arrangement, you know the advantages and disadvantages and have to be willing to live with them.
When do we get some more sunspots?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, May 16, 2009 at 9:36 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> At 02:40 AM 5/16/2009, John Geiger wrote:
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9886. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 15:43:53 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9857 Message: 9886

At 12:21 PM 5/16/2009, you wrote:

>When do we get some more sunspots?
>
>73, Zack W9SZ

We have one now. It's driven the flux all the way up to
74. What more do you want? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9887. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 15:58:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9857 Message: 9887

F2 propagation thru 6 meters.
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On Sat, May 16, 2009 at 10:43 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> At 12:21 PM 5/16/2009, you wrote:
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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9888. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 16:14:15 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9857 Message: 9888

At 12:58 PM 5/16/2009, you wrote:

>F2 propagation thru 6 meters.
>8-}

Oh F2 on 50-MHz . . . well you better expect to live a couple hundred years, and then there is still no guarantee! Oh well, we have to play the hand we are dealt.

73, Paul VE1DX

9889. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 17:53:23 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9857 Message: 9889

Heck, I would settle for a flux of 80!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 5/16/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, May 16, 2009, 10:58 AM

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9890. Re: Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 19:46:10 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9871 Message: 9890

Thanks to all who replied.

I never thought of comparing the incident to the car who comes up behind me. That's a good analogy. Of course, I never bother to flip the guy off.I have heard of many incidents where the aggressive driver then pulls out a weapon and pops a cap into the person who flipped the bird.

I did not work NXE this time, but I was so happy to even hear him. First time I have ever heard DU. Things looking up! DX IS.

Mark Lunday

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9891. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-16 22:11:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9891

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 136 Issued at 2200Z on 16 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 15/2100Z
to 16/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1017 (N18W09) was
quiet.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 15/2100Z to 16/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominately quiet for the forecast period (17-19
May).
III. Event Probabilities 17 May-19 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 16 May 074
Predicted 17 May-19 May 075/075/074
90 Day Mean 16 May 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 15 May 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 16 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 17 May-19 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 May-19 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9892. Re: Am I the LID?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-17 03:36:22 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 9871 Message: 9892

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Lunday, WD4ELG" <mlunday@...> wrote:
>
> Of course, I never bother to flip the guy off.

That would be "flipping your lid."

With Apologies,
Mike ZooLoo

9893. Interesting condx continue

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-17 14:14:36 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9893 Message: 9893

Friday morning I was hearing DU3NXE S7 on 20 CW for the first time ever.

This morning I worked BX5AD on the first call on 20 CW. Lin was S5. Never copied BX here before.

Perhaps my offering last weekend to the DX gods has been accepted?

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

http://wd4elg.net

9894. ZL7T QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-17 16:02:45 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 9633 Message: 9894

I am processing the cards at the moment and the first batch will go out June 1, next batch June 15 and the June 30 for the last batch which will bring us up into "current" status.

Thanks for all your kind comments in the cards.

I processed an envelope for young Mr Dunphy in the maritimes yesterday. All OK Paul!

73, Lee ZL2AL and the ZL7T Team

9895. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-17 22:11:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9895

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 137 Issued at 2200Z on 17 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1017 (N18W21) has
produced no flares in the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the forecast period (18-19 May).
III. Event Probabilities 18 May-20 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 May 074
Predicted 18 May-20 May 075/074/074
90 Day Mean 17 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 May 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 May-20 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 May-20 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9896. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-18 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9896

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 18 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 138 Issued at 2200Z on 18 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 17/2100Z
to 18/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1017 (N18W35)
continues to decay, presently a three spot Bxo. The region has
produced no flares in the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 17/2100Z to 18/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The Geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet during the forecast period (19-21 May).
III. Event Probabilities 19 May-21 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 18 May 073
Predicted 19 May-21 May 074/074/074
90 Day Mean 18 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 17 May 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 18 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 19 May-21 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 19 May-21 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9897. ARLP020 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-19 01:56:26 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4144 Message: 9897

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP020
ARLP020 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP20
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 20 ARLP020
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 19, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP020
ARLP020 Propagation de K7RA

After weeks of little or no sunspots, it is nice to have something to report. Following multiple false starts, quick-fading spots and knots of magnetic activity which never progressed into actual darkened sunspots, new sunspot group 1017 emerged on Wednesday, May 13. The daily sunspot number was 12, and the next day the size of the group approximately doubled, raising the sunspot number to 18. This is a cycle 24 sunspot group.

A week ago we expected active regions spotted by the STEREO mission would emerge into sunspots over the weekend, but like many others in the recent past, they faded away. The new sunspot this week emerged a few days later.

Last week's bulletin showed average daily solar flux at 68.5, and this week it was 72. The average solar flux for the last three days prior to this bulletin (May 12-14) was 73.9, indicating a further rise. On May 14, the daily predicted 45 day 10.7 cm solar flux from USAF/NOAA was raised to 75 for May 15-21. By the way, we've mentioned in the past that the link to the latest daily forecast at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html is sometimes delayed until after the forecast is put up, and you can hack the URL (web address) to the next date from the latest available forecast. Thursday's must be the longest delay between the forecast time and the time the link goes up on the web. Right now the forecast done at 2059z on May 14 is still not available at 1430z on May 15. But you can click on the latest link, which takes you to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/forecasts/45DF/051345DF.txt and then change the date at the end of the URL to /051445DF.txt, which takes you to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/forecasts/45DF/051445DF.txt. Over seventeen hours after it was written, this was still the only way to read Thursday's forecast.

There seems to be more confusion regarding the difference between number of sunspots and sunspot number. Mike Khokhlov, UA9CIR of Ekaterinburg in Asiatic Russia notes that the new Solar Cycle Prediction update for cycle 24 from NOAA (see http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/SolarCycle/index.html) issued a week ago said the cycle may peak four years from now ''with a maximum sunspot number of 90''. But in other reports, such as ARLS003 (http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/2009-arls003.html) this was changed to ''Solar Cycle 24 will peak in May 2013 with 90 sunspots per day on average''. Spaceweather.com got it wrong also, saying ''The panel predicts the upcoming Solar Cycle 24 will peak in May 2013 with 90 sunspots per day, averaged over a month'' (see http://tinyurl.com/qzfsyo). Update: Dr. Tony Phillips of Spaceweather.com said the error was corrected, but the link should have been changed so that it ends in php instead of htm. Edit that URL and page back and forth to see the difference.

Note that Thursday and Friday of this week had one sunspot group, but the sunspot numbers were 12 and 18. As mentioned in past bulletins, a good explanation for the arcane method for computing daily sunspot number is at http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/stp/SOLAR/SSN/ssn.html, a NOAA page about the work of Johann Wolf.

The two references above to the ''90 sunspots'' error were actually widespread. Just Google the phrase ''90 sunspots per day'' and you will get hundreds of hits. Although NOAA was the source of the original correct information, NOAA News got it wrong at http://www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2009/20090508_solarstorm.html.

Dennis Eksten, W9SS tried to write in last week, but couldn't find our email address, which is toward the end of each bulletin. Or it should be. I was alarmed to find that it was missing from ARLP019, and I shuddered to think how long the bulletin had been coming out with no reference for contacting the author. Fortunately, it was only missing last week, and has been reinserted this week.

Dennis saw an Associated Press story last weekend titled ''Warning: Sunspot cycle beginning to intensify''. It was titled differently in different publications (see http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/30644638/ and note that this also has the ''90 sunspots per day'' error) but Dennis wondered about the geomagnetic storm of 1859 and if it could happen today with the dire results mentioned in the article.

As far as I know, the tales of telegraph wires starting fires and aurora visible around the world were taken from contemporary nineteenth century accounts, and are true. I've heard this story for a long time, and seen references to 1859 newspaper accounts. This would make an interesting subject for historical research. The query was passed from W9SS to Tom Ciciora, KA9QPN, the Illinois SM, who commented, ''We can all pretty much agree that most newspaper accounts of natural phenomena were sensationalized back then in

order to assist the fledgling newspaper industry (kind of like now.), but the question bears asking. Is the scenario described even possible?''

We really have no way to predict whether this will happen again, just as we have no way to predict another cycle 19 or a Maunder Minimum. But the NAS predictions of 4-10 years recovery and trillions in damages certainly gives one pause for reflection. We do have much more complex and concentrated infrastructure currently, and seem more vulnerable.

This reminds one of the old stories about EMP (electromagnetic pulse from a nuclear blast) in warfare, and the vulnerability of solid state vs. old vacuum tube technology. In the Cold War, one side felt that their military hardware, in fighter jets for example, with modern solid state electronics was far superior to the other side, which may have used older designs with vacuum tubes. But it was pointed out that vacuum tubes are much less vulnerable to an EMP blast. The simpler, hardier design may be superior in a real life battlefield environment that has escalated to the unthinkable level. Thank goodness it was never tested with EMP in a real battle.

Much more to write about on some other topics, but we are out of time.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for May 7 through 13 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 12 with a mean of 1.7. 10.7 cm flux was 69.5, 70.8, 72.3, 71.8, 71.9, 73.9, and 73.8 with a mean of 72. Estimated planetary A indices were 10, 13, 6, 4, 4, 2 and 3 with a mean of 6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 7, 12, 6, 3, 2, 0 and 2 with a mean of 4.6.
NNNN
/EX

9898. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-19 07:21:36 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9857 Message: 9898

Well I would settle for SFI=80 too, especially when SFI=74 ain't cutting the mustard as well as I thought it would....

R1MVW (team) - Nov 2005

D60VB (Vlad, UA4WHX) - Feb/Mar 2007

D69XC - Mar 2007

A number of CE0/Es have been active, single ops with low power and antennae, none of them have made it to VK6, (I still need it on CW/RTTY).

Anyway good to see YS1G and ZK2V active.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Sunday, 17 May 2009 1:53 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

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73s John AA5JG

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From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, May 16, 2009, 10:58 AM

F2 propagation thru 6 meters.

8-}

On Sat, May 16, 2009 at 10:43 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=list_dx@...> > wrote:

At 12:21 PM 5/16/2009, you wrote:

>When do we get some more sunspots?
>
>73, Zack W9SZ

We have one now. It's driven the flux all the way up to
74. What more do you want? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9899. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-19 20:37:38 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9857 Message: 9899

Well, I'd like to see the 200s again!!

DD
----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 3:21 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

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74. What more do you want? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

9900. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-19 22:11:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9900

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 19 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 139 Issued at 2200Z on 19 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. Region 1017 (N18W50) continues to decay.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the forecast period (20-22 May).
III. Event Probabilities 20 May-22 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 May 072
Predicted 20 May-22 May 074/073/073
90 Day Mean 19 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 May 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 May-22 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 May-22 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9901. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-19 22:15:52 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9857 Message: 9901

Deacon Dave wrote:
>
> Well, I'd like to see the 200s again!!
>
> DD

I don't think things will really start jumping until we see 100-110 and above.

73,
Mike, W5UC
"American by birth. Texan by the grace of God*
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9902. Fw: Visalia Reservations 2010

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-20 02:33:14 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9902 Message: 9902

FYI - from my club
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Stephen Shane
Subject: FW: Visalia Reservations 2010

I have been informed by the 2010 Visalia Convention Chairman that hotel reservations for the Holiday Inn will begin on June 9, 2009 at 0945 hrs Pacific Daylight Time (1645 Z). For those wishing to stay at the Holiday Inn you must use their local phone number 1-559-651-5000. Do not use the web site or the 800 number.

Because of the large number of last minute room cancellation (more that 30

within 30 hours of the beginning of the convention) many rooms went unused

by convention attendees. Because it is our goal to fill the Hotel with

Convention Guests there is a change in cancellation policy for 2010. Rooms

must be canceled 7 days prior to the start of the Convention or the credit

card on file will be charge one nights room rate plus tax. This will enable

the Hotel to accommodate additional DX wait list guests in the final week

before the convention.

See you in Visalia April 16, 17 & 18, 2010.

check the web site for convention news.

http://www.scdxc.org

Steve,w6nrq

Secretary, SCDXC

w6nrq@...

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.12.34/2122 - Release Date: 05/19/09 06:21:00

9903. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: Visalia Reservations 2010

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-20 04:20:20 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9902 Message: 9903

Gee - I dun sent this at 7:33 p.m. and it dun cum thru at 9:15 p.m. Sumone dun hand carried da emale....
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 7:33 PM
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Steve,w6nrq

Secretary, SCDXC

w6nrq@...

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Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.12.34/2122 - Release Date: 05/19/09 06:21:00

9904. XX9ZB on 20

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-20 05:02:21 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 9904 Message: 9904

Heads up DX lovers.

He is going to have something on the internet in a couple of days he says.

Thought some of you would get a kick out of my story this afternoon around 0101Z that happened to me, my Butternut and my little
200W popsicle of a station in Texas, it almost knocked me out of my chair. :0)

I was tuning around the band on 20 using my ground mounted Butternut Vertical. Just to see what the band might be yielding with the
new sunspots we have. Nothing overly surprising as I tuned. I came accross a QSO that seemed interesting for some reason. The two
men sounded like they had foreign accents, one a bit older than the other it seemed, except the older one was much weaker than the
other and I couldn't quite make him out all the time exactly due to the flutter on his signal.

They finished and signed. I heard the louder XE1 very clearly and the other station that had a bit of flutter on his signal was
still harder to make out, but I heard the XX9 very clearly, so I went for him.

Well, I thought, ok so it isn't any big deal just another Mexico station with a special call sign or something. (Little did I know.)

I called him and he came back to me on the first call.

Didn't seem to be anyone else on frequency so I had a clear shot. We worked through the QSB and flutter and exchanged 55 signal
reports, names, and when he said his QTH was Macao, I thought, ok that must be a city in Mexico somewhere I haven't heard of yet. In
the meantime the other station had spotted him on the Telnet.

We signed and it seemed like the whole world was coming back to this guy. Wow I thought, some special event this must be or guys are
really bored waiting on some real DX. By that time QRZ and my logging program caught up with each other and the *entity* said Macao.

At that point, I knew it had to be a new country, not a city in Mexico.

When I looked it up on Google MAPS, was I surprised to find out, it was in Asia and a country all its own.

Moral to the story, 'Work 'em first, find 'em later' Hi Hi

What little bit of sunspots we are experiencing seem to be helping, cant wait for the big numbers to start up.

Bob AD5VJ

9905. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-20 11:15:02 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9857 Message: 9905

AGREE !!!!!

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 6:15 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Where are they now?

Deacon Dave wrote:
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9906. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-20 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9906

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 20 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 140 Issued at 2200Z on 20 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1017 (N17W44) has
decayed into spotless plage. No flares were observed during the last
24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
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9907. ARLD020 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-21 21:36:12 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4115 Message: 9907

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD020
ARLD020 DX news

ZCZC AE20
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 20 ARLD020
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 21, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD020
ARLD020 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by N4QX, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

ITU HQ, 4U1ITU. Hans, PB2T, Brennan, N4QX and others may be active as 4U1ITU until May 29. QSL direct.

CYPRUS, 5B. A group of operators will be QRV as C4SV from May 23 to 29. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SV2DGH.

TOGO, 5V. Werner, DL9MBI is QRV as 5V7PM and has been active on 20 meters using RTTY after 1400z. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. IW3HVB will be QRV as 8Q7GP from the Bathala Island resort from May 27 to June 4. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using SSB and PSK31. QSL to home call.

CHINA, BY. Rene, DL2JRM, Mee, BD4TQ, Meng, BD4TT and Dale, BA4TB are QRV as home calls/5 from Dayang Shan Island, IOTA AS-137, until May 24. QSL to home calls.

THE GAMBIA, C5. Andre, ON7YK is QRV as C56YK from Kotu East until June 7. Activity is on 6 meters using CW and SSB on 50110 kHz. QSL to home call.

NEW CALEDONIA, FK. Steve, 9M6DXX will be QRV as FK/G4JVG from May 22 to June 3. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17 and possibly 15 meters using SSB. QSL via M0URX.

ENGLAND, G. A group of operators will be QRV as GB6GEO May 23 and 24 from the English Riviera Global Geopark during the European Geo Parks Communication Event. Stations in other parts of the world will be active during this event as well. Activity is on 80, 40,

20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL via operators' instructions.

FINLAND, OH. Look for special event station OH5POPOV to be QRV on May 24 in commemoration of the Russian physicist and radio pioneer Alexander S. Popov. QSL via OH5VX.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Uwe, DL6NDK, Iris, DL6LI and Ralf, DL9GTI will be QRV as OH0/home calls from May 23 to 29 while on holiday. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters, including 6 and 2 meters, using mainly CW with some PSK31. QSL to home calls.

GREECE, SV. Laci, HA0HW will be QRV as J48HW and SV8/home call from Thassos Island, IOTA EU-174, from May 28 to June 6. Activity will be on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 6 meters using mainly CW, with some SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will be active in the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest as J48HW. QSL to home call.

DODECANESE, SV5. Darren, G0TSM is QRV as SV5/home call from Kos, IOTA EU-001, until June 3 while on holiday. Activity is mainly on 12 and 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Karl, WA2KBZ is QRV as TA0/home call from Buyukada Island until June 17. Activity is on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters using QRP CW only.

CORSICA, TK. Eva, HA3FRE and Tomi, HA4DX are QRV as TK/home calls from Cape Corse, IOTA WEU-014, until May 23. Activity is on 40 and 30 meters using mostly CW. QSL to home calls.

UKRAINE, UR. Special event station EM5UCC is QRV from Kiev until May 25 during the 19th conference of the Ukrainian Contest Club. QSL via UY5XX.

NIUE, ZK2. Chris, ZL1CT is QRV as ZK2V and is active on various HF bands using CW and SSB. He will also be an entry in the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via N3SL.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Djibouti, J20SE, 2009 operation; Bhutan, A52DT, 2009 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC Sprint, Bill Windle CW QSO Party, Kazakhstan DX CW Contest, Baltic Contest and the Geoparks Communications Weekend are all on tap for this weekend. The MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint is scheduled for May 25 to 26. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for May 27. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9908. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-21 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9908

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 21 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 141 Issued at 2200Z on 21 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 20/2100Z
to 21/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1017 (N17W57) was
quiet. No flares were observed during the past 24 hours. The visible
disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 20/2100Z to 21/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (22-24
May).
III. Event Probabilities 22 May-24 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 21 May 072
Predicted 22 May-24 May 071/070/070
90 Day Mean 21 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 20 May 004/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 May-24 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 May-24 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9909. Re: Fw: Visalia Reservations 2010

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-21 23:49:12 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9902 Message: 9909

The same people delivered the mail who are recalcitrant in delivering your latest Funk and Wagnall.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...> wrote:
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> Gee - I dun sent this at 7:33 p.m. and it dun cum thru at 9:15 p.m. Sumone dun hand carried da emale....
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
> To: DX
> Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 7:33 PM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Fw: Visalia Reservations 2010
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> FYI - from my club
> Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Stephen Shane
> Subject: FW: Visalia Reservations 2010
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> I have been informed by the 2010 Visalia Convention Chairman that hotel reservations for the Holiday Inn will begin on June 9, 2009 at 0945 hrs Pacific Daylight Time (1645 Z). For those wishing to stay at the Holiday Inn you must use their local phone number 1-559-651-5000. Do not use the web site or the 800 number.
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> Because of the large number of last minute room cancellation (more that 30
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> within 30 hours of the beginning of the convention) many rooms went unused
>
> by convention attendees. Because it is our goal to fill the Hotel with
>
> Convention Guests there is a change in cancellation policy for 2010. Rooms

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> must be canceled 7 days prior to the start of the Convention or the credit
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> card on file will be charge one nights room rate plus tax. This will enable
>
> the Hotel to accommodate additional DX wait list guests in the final week
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> before the convention.
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> See you in Visalia April 16, 17 & 18, 2010.
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> check the web site for convention news.
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> http://www.scdxc.org
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> Steve,w6nrq
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> Secretary, SCDXC
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> w6nrq@...
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.12.34/2122 - Release Date: 05/19/09 06:21:00
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9910. I must be dreaming?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 05:17:33 UTC
From: Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Topic: 9910 Message: 9910

0500 UTC, 0100 local on the East Coast. 20 meters is WIDE open. I am hearing east and west coast US, Middle East, Europe, Australia. I even worked my first EY station.

Are we REALLY at the bottom of the cycle? I have not heard 20 meters like this in a LONG time.

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

wd4elg@...

http://wd4elg.net

9911. RE: [DX-IS] I must be dreaming?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 06:19:28 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9910 Message: 9911

Yes, you witnessed an anomaly.

Hope it comes this way!

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday, WD4ELG
Sent: Friday, 22 May 2009 1:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] I must be dreaming?

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Mark Lunday

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9912. Re: [DX-IS] I must be dreaming?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 13:46:55 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9910 Message: 9912

It was sure for real here also Mark.....and it was not your every day weak sig.......they were booming in here nr Detroit! Same on 40-----can't wait to possibly pick up a new one over the weekend

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mark Lunday, WD4ELG" <mlunday@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, May 22, 2009 1:17:33 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] I must be dreaming?

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Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

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http://wd4elg.net

9913. [425ENG] 425 DX News #942

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 15:58:42 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9913 Message: 9913

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5H - Win, DK9IP will be active as 5H2WK from Arusha, Tanzania from 28 May to 5 June. He will operate holiday style, with some activity being planned during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX MM0NDX]
8Q - Giulio, IW3HVB will be active holiday style as 8Q7GP from the Maldives (AS-013) from 26 May to 4 June. He will be running 100 watts to a multiband vertical antenna, with planned SSB and PSK31 activity mainly on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IW3HVB]
9A - Neno/9A5AN and Tom/9A2AA will be active from several different IOCA islands in IOTA group EU-170 between 24 May and 13 June. On 24-29 May they will be joined by Livio/9A3KS, while on 5-13 June they will be joined by Tibor/HA3HP. [TNX 9A2AA]
BY - Mee/BD4TQ, Meng/BD4TT (YL operator) and Dale/BA4TB, along with Rene/DL2JRM, will be active from Dayang Shan Island (AS-137) on 22-24 May. They plan to operate homecall/5 on all bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home calls. [TNX BA4TB]
EI - Robert/GI0NCA, Rudo/OM5FM and Vlado/OM7CA will be active as EI/homecall from Aranmore Island (EU-121) on 25-29 May, They plan to operate CW, RTTY and SSB on 80-10 metres from the local lighthouse (ARLHS IRE-02). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX OM7CA]
F - Special callsign TM100C will be activated between 21 May and 4 June to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first flight of aviation pioneers Gaston and Rene Caudron. QSL via F1RR. [TNX F8REF]
F - Once again (for the 58th year) the Association des Radioamateurs de la Sarthe will activate special event station TM6ACO for the 24 Hours of Le Mans. This year's operations will take place from 31 May to 14 June. QSL via F6KFI. Further information at http://asso.proxiland.fr/aras72/ [TNX F5TJC]
G - Members of the Southport & District Amateur Radio Club (http://www.sadarc.org.uk) will be operating special event station

GB5BOO at the Best of Ormskirk Festival on 30 May. During the
event they will raise money for MapAction
(http://www.mapaction.org/), and they would appreciate as many
contacts as possible to raise public awareness of this charity.
[TNX G7LFC]
H4 - Mike, KM9D (H44MY) and Jan, KF4TUG (H44TO) are now lying to anchor
at Lever Harbour, New Georgia Island (OC-149) and "searching for
an adequate operating location". QSL via OM2SA. [TNX The Daily DX]
HA - Laci, HA0HW will be active as SV8/HA0HW and J48HW from Thassos
Island (EU-174) from 28 May to 6 June, including an entry in the
CQ WW WPX CW Contest. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB,
RTTY and PSK31 on various bands, with an emphasis on 40, 30, 20,
17 and 6 metres. QSL via HA0HW, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily
DX]
I - Nuccio, I0YKN reports he will be active as IY0GM until 20 July.
The special callsign celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Nobel
Prize in physiscs awarded to Guglielmo Marconi. QSL via I0YKN.
I - Mauri, IZ5OVP will be active as IA5/IZ5OVP from Elba Island
(EU-028, IIA LI-001) on 24-25 May. QSL via home call. [TNX
Mediterraneo DX Club]
I - Look for IK4GLV/4, IK4JPR/4, IK4RUX/4, IZ4CCO/4 and IZ4ISX/4 to be
active from Scanno di Piallazza (EU-155, IIA FE-001) on 31 May and
1 June. They will operate CW and SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via home
calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IK4RUX]
OH0 - Uwe/DL6NDK, Iris/DL6LI and Ralf/DL9GTI will be active from the
Aland Islands (EU-002) on 23-29 May. They plan to operate mainly
CW on 80-2 metres, with some PSK31 by DL6LI. QSL via home calls,
direct or bureau. [TNX DXNL]
OZ - Flemming, OZ5FM and Jakob, OZ7AEI will be active as homecall/p from
the lighthouse of Vorupoere Mole Fyr (ARLHS DEN-235) on
Vendsyssel-Thy Island (EU-171, DIA NJ-001) on 29 May. They plan to
operate on 20 and 40 metres SSB starting around 19 UTC. QSL via
home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX OZ7AEI]
PA - Special callsign PA08DWN will be aired on 30 May from Maassluis,
near Rotterdam. Operations will take place from the radio shack of
the "Elbe", a tugboat that is being restorated to serve as a
museumship. Expect CW only operations to take place between 8 and
15 UTC. QSL via PA3ALM. [TNX PA9HR]
SV - Dick, PA3DEU will operate as SV8/PA3DEU from Alonissos Island
(EU-072) from 25 May to 7 June. Look for him around the QRP
frequencies, as he will be running 5 watts only. [TNX PA3DEU]
TA - Karl, WA2KBZ is active as TA0/WA2KBZ from Buyukada, near Istanbul
(not IOTA) until 17 June. QSL via home call. [TNX ARRL DX News]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DX MEETING ---> Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physics awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, the sixth DX Meeting organized by the West Ligurian ARI Radio Clubs will take place in Sanremo on 20 June. The venue will be the historical Villa Nobel, where Alfred Nobel lived and died in 1896. Further information at http://www.arisanremo.it/

GEOPARKS WEEKEND ---> A number of stations will be active for the Geoparks Communication Weekend (23-24 May). Besides GB6GEO [425DXN 941], announced participating stations from Europe include CS8GEO (Portugal), DD0D, DK0GEO and DR9VARUS (Germany), EI2GEO (Ireland), GB1GEO (Scotland), GB2MAC (Northern Ireland), GB5GEO (Wales), YP2GEO (Romania). Geopark stations will operate around 3680, 7080, 14180, 21180 and 28480 kHz. The CS Silver Fox (YO2KAR) offers an award for working "geo-stations" between 23 May and 30 December. Please e-mail cssilverfox@... for further information. [TNX G3VOF and N2YO]

QSL A71BU ---> This is the brand new callsign of Juma Al Kuwari (A71EM and A92GT), whose QSL manager is NI5DX. The cards for A71BU will need to be designed and ordered, so plase allow 6-8 weeks before the first QSLs are sent out. Also please note that EA7FTR is still the QSL manager for either A71EM and A92GT. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

WPX CONTEST CERTIFICATES ---> CQ WPX Contest Director Randy Thompson, K5ZD, announced on 17 May that all those who took part in the WPX Contest (SSB and CW) for 2007-08 can now download electronic versions of their participation certificates in PDF format. Please visit http://www.cqwpx.com/blog/ for further information.

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Walfried A. Sommer (DJ2UT/AK4UT), Alain Koch (F6ADQ), John N. Kirkham (KC4B), Stephen N. Wolf (KF3CV), Victor N. Glazunov (RW9CB), Sergey P. Ivanov (UA0OO), Alexander Letov (UT0ET) and Lynn A. Schriner (W5FO).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3G1X XQ1IDM ER9V ER1DA OH0R OH2PM
3Z11EQSLCC SP2FAP ES1WN ES1AX OL20FOC OK1CZ
3Z65MC SP5KCR EV5SL EW1BBA OM800AB OM3CAQ
4A5M XE1AMF EV6Z DL8KAC ON60ARSG ON7KC
4L1FP LZ1OT EW5WFF EW4DX OZ5K ON4AMM
5H1HP DL2NUD EX2F RW6HS PH55HD PD2RKG
5H1MS DL9MS EY8MM K1BV PH60PH PA7HPH
5N0OCH DL3OCH F5REF F5MJA PR5W PY5FB
5V7PM DL9MBI FM5FJ KU9C PT5J PP5JAK
5Z4/RW1AU K5XK FM5WD W3HNK PX8XL PY8MGB

7S6W SM6WET FM5WE K4FJ PY0FF W9VA
8J7AIZ JJ7RMS GB10SP GM4UYZ R1ANB RN1ON
8S0ITU SM0EXP GB1TAN M3ZYZ R1ANC RN1ON
9H1MRL 9H1XE GB2CT M0XIG R1AND RU1ZC
9M2TO JA0DMV GB6MW G4DFI S21XR DU1UGZ
9M6JC NI5DX H6VA TI4SU SE800M SK6NL
A41MO EA5KB H7A TI4SU SM200PAX SK2AT
A41MX EB7DX HF128GWS SP9PDG SN115MK SP9KAJ
A61BK NI5DX HF59ED SP2FAP SN50RS SP9ZHR
A61BK NI5DX HG09MDC IK2VUC SN90GHG SP7PKI
A61E EB7DX HG3IPA HA3JB SX1MDC IK2VUC
A61NA UA6MF HK1FGE EA5KB SX2CM SV2GWY
A61Q EA7FTR HK4OBA EA5KB SX7D SV7JAR
A61R EA7FTR HV0A IK0FVC SY2WT SV2FPU
A6ITU A62ER HZ1MD EA7FTR TC098A OK2GZ
AH0J JA1NVF HZ1PS IZ8CLM TC1919ATA TA6P or TA6U
BA4RF EA7FTR IF9E IZ2GLU TC2009UC TA1HZ
BW6/VR2VYZ XX9AH II0CC IW6DSM TC2ATAM TA1KB
C56YK ON7YK II0MDC IK2VUC TC3DEU TA3BN
CN8KD EA5XX II2MDC IK2VUC TM1OF F5KEQ
CN8YE EA7FTR II7PT/p IK7MJA TM5MDC IK2VUC
CN8ZG EA7FTR II8MDC IK2VUC TM6RPC F8KOT
CO8LY EA7ADH II8MM IK8HJC TM8RPC F6KTN
CO8ZZ DK1WI IO5MDC IK2VUC UA0AV W3HNK
CP4BT EA5KB IO9MDC IK2VUC UA0AZ W3HNK
CQ5MGP EA4URE IR5MDC IK2VUC UA0YAY IK2QPR
CQ5N CT6ARL IR9MDC IK2VUC UE1ASP RV1AQ
CQ7MDC IK2VUC IU0MDC IK2VUC UE1CDX RN1CW
CQ8CQK CT1CQK IU1MDC IK2VUC UE3SFF/4 RU3SD
CS5FAT CT6ARL IU2FV IQ2MI UN7QX W7BO
CU3E CU3CY IU5MDC IK2VUC V21JI K7JI
CX7CO WB3CDX IU8MDC IK2VUC V63DX JA7HMZ
DU3NXE W3HNK IU9MDC IK2VUC VE1FO/p VE1DHD
E709WRC E77E IY8GM IK8WEJ WP4NEG EB7DX
E73T 9A2AJ J48IS DF3IS XE2MX K6VNX
EA6TS EA6AZ JW5LJA LA5LJA YE7M YB7KNV
EE6ANR EA6ZX JW5NM LA5NM YI9KEE OK1EE
EF5K EA5KB K7UGA K7BHM YS1/W3MKT N1NK
EG1SPR EA1URV K8P KG8P YS1G G3TXF
EK6LP IK2DUW KG4QH KD5QHV YV5MSG IT9DAA
EL2AR EL2BA LX8RTTY LX1DA Z21BC NI5DX
EM5UCC UY5ZZ N1R AA4AK ZF2XP AI5P
ER3WFF ER3GS NL8F K8NA ZK2V N3SL
ER5WU W3HNK OF5POPOV OH5VX ZW3F PY3VK

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EL2BA H. Walcott Benjamin Sr, 285 St. Marks Place, Apt. 4-L, Staten
Island, NY 10301, USA
N3SL Steve Larson, 22 N Hidden Acres Dr, Sioux City, IA 51108-8641, USA
OK2GZ Jaroslav Kelar, Generala Svobody1200, Unicov 783 91, Czech Republic
TL0A Christian Saint-Arroman, Chemin de Mousteguy, F-64990 Urcuit,
France
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SH/425 BULL [num] where [num] is the bulletin issue number;
SH/425 [text] where [text] should be replaced with a callsign, an IOTA reference number, an island name, an Antarctic base, a lighthouse, etc.

9914. [425ENG] 425 DX News #942 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 16:08:32 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9914 Message: 9914

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF

till 23/05 GB2CT: special station (England) 941
till 23/05 OZ5K: Romo Island (EU-125) 937
till 23/05 TK/HA3FRE and TK/HA4DX: Corsica (EU-014) 941
till 23/05 TK/I4GAD: Corsica (EU-014, EU-100, EU-104) 941
till 23/05 YS1G: El Salvador 939
till 24/05 BD4TQ/5, BD4TT/5, BA4TB/5: Dayang Shan Island (AS-137) 942
till 24/05 E709WRC: special event callsign 941
till 24/05 EJ6DX: Aran Islands (EU-006) 941
till 24/05 IF9E: Levanzo Island (EU-054) 941
till 24/05 TK/IZ5FDD and TK/IW5ELA: Corsica 937
till 24/05 TM8RPC: special callsign (France) 941
till 24/05 YE7M: Laut Kecil Islands (OC-268) 941
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till 25/05 II2ERBA: special event callsign 938
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9915. ARLP021 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 16:08:44 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4457 Message: 9915

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP021
ARLP021 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP21
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 21 ARLP021
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 22, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP021
ARLP021 Propagation de K7RA

Do sunspots matter? Many of us are surprised at how good conditions can be with zero sunspots. The weak solar wind and lack of flares and geomagnetic events likely have something to do with it. Many times during more active solar periods the sunspots were welcomed, but then some event associated with the higher solar activity would make conditions difficult, disrupt the ionosphere and increase absorption.

For example, look back to the Fall of 2003 bulletins via the index at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2003-index.html and in addition to the text, note the sunspot numbers and A index listings at the end of each bulletin. There were plenty of sunspots, but if you look at Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP038 in September, or ARLP044 through ARLP049 around November, there were huge events that drove the planetary A index to 189 during one week and 162 the next. This is hard to imagine today. Also note the comment in ARLP051 in December 2003 about the relief from geomagnetic disturbances and somewhat higher sunspot activity. Actually, the planetary A index went as high as 43 one day that week, hardly a quiet geomagnetic number, but the previous two weeks were quite a bit calmer than the week prior.

Finding those old bulletins was aided by a graph of planetary A index progression from January 2000 to present on page 10 in the Preliminary Report and Forecast of May 12 at, http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/pdf/prf1758.pdf.

I apologize that last week's bulletin reached many people several days late. The bulletin was dated Friday, May 15, but for some reason did not get distributed via email until the following Monday night, and the date of the bulletin was changed to May 20. The bulletin mentioned that sunspots were just reappearing the day before, but by the time it went out, there were already five days of

sunspots. It turns out it had something to do with a string of minor unfortunate events, and HQ staff trying to administer bulletin distribution remotely from ARRL National Convention and the Hamvention held concurrently in Dayton, Ohio. Your author was safe and snug in Seattle (having visited Newington only once, decades ago), and wants to assure everyone that W1AW staff are really a brilliant and clever bunch, but Murphy struck.

The report linked from the main ARRL web page appeared as normal last Friday.

As often is the case, many interesting emails arrived in the past few days.

Bill Kollenbaum, W4XS/KH7XS of Laupahoehoe on the Island of Hawaii (the Big Island) has built an impressive station since moving there from Florida. Take a look at the station description and click on the antenna photo at the KH7XS QRZ.com page at http://www.qrz.com/kh7xs. Bill wrote about working European stations on 15 meters on May 18:

"Since moving to KH6 a couple of years ago, any openings to EU on 15 have been far and few between and I could count on my hands the total number of days I worked any EU on that band. The total number of EU in the log on that band has been around a hundred and almost all have been 569 and considerably weaker. On 15 this morning (EU sunset) I put 150 EU in the log from 1930Z until 2100Z, many of the stations were a true 589 and 599. The opening ran from the Ukraine and Scandinavia down to LZ and over to EA and G. There seemed to be little geographic advantage to the stations with OH0R calling in with a 589 report, and UK , Italian and Germans all hitting the S9 mark here. Conditions were outstanding. What a difference a small number of sunspots make, coupled with quiet conditions and a big daylight path!"

Bill's path to Europe is a long one. To Spain, the beam heading is not much different from the heading here in Seattle, a polar path at 23 degrees. But the path to Spain at around 8,000 miles is much longer than the 5,300 miles from Seattle or the 4,000 mile path from Ohio, or 3,400 mile path from Boston.

There were several comments about the comments I made about EMP and vacuum tubes in last week's bulletin. Gene Dathe, NA0G of Spring Valley, Minnesota pointed out that vacuum tubes are far more resistant to an EMP blast compared to solid state devices providing they are turned off. While operating, they could suffer from the same sort of risks.

Bob Voss, N4CD decided to research stories about the great geomagnetic storm of 1859. He sent along the http://www.solarstorms.org/SS1859.html link and wondered if the stories of fires could have been inspired by reports of a "blood red

horizon." He sent this
http://www.spaceweather.gc.ca/se-chr1-eng.php link from Spaceweather
Canada, and notes there were no fires reported for the 1859 event.
Bob notes that the NASA account at http://tinyurl.com/cfwab6
actually mentions fires in connection with the 1859 flare. There is
also an old nineteenth-century NY Times article at
http://tinyurl.com/ps6c4d.

Over the near term it looks like more quiet conditions. We had a
nice seven day run of sunspots, but do not know when they will
return. Geophysical Institute Prague says quiet conditions should
prevail May 22-28. NOAA and the US Air Force predict solar flux
settling back to 70, then rising again June 5-17.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers,
email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL
Technical Information Service web page at,
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed
explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past
propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve
overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this
bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for May 14 through 20 were 18, 12, 15, 13, 14, 11,
and 0 with a mean of 11.9. 10.7 cm flux was 73.9, 73.7, 74.2, 74,
72.9, 72.3, and 71.5 with a mean of 73.2. Estimated planetary A
indices were 8, 2, 5, 3, 4, 5 and 4 with a mean of 4.4. Estimated
mid-latitude A indices were 8, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2 and 4 with a mean of
3.3.
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9916. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9916

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 22 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 142 Issued at 2200Z on 22 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 21/2100Z
to 22/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (23-25
May).
III. Event Probabilities 23 May-25 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 22 May 072
Predicted 23 May-25 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 22 May 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 21 May 002/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 22 May 004/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 23 May-25 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 23 May-25 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9917. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #909

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-22 19:03:30 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9917 Message: 9917

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.909
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 909

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 909
BID: $OPDX.909
May 25, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): The Dayton HamVention was again another enjoyable event for DXers and Contester. There seems to be more activities for DXers/Contesters this year than in past years. The DX and Contest suites, as well as the Contest University (CTU), and both the DX and Contest Dinner Banquets were really busy and well attended. If you have not heard, the SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) presented two (not the usual one) "DXpedition of the Year" awards to: K5D Desecheo Island DXpedition (2009) and the VK9DWX Willis Island DXpedition (2008). By the way, both operations presented excellent presentations during the SWODXA DX Forum at the convention. There were other presentations during the SWODXA DX Forum (E44M Palestine DXpedition and K5LBU's African DX Safaris) and all were excellent programs. Just one last thing about Dayton, thanks to all who attended the NODXA Hospitality Suite. It was great meeting everyone and it seems NODXA will be having the suite again next year. Hope to see you there next year.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 15th-May, through Friday, 22nd-May there were 210 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9,

T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V8, TUNISIA. Alex, GM0DHZ, who was active from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse between January 15th-February 6th and November 27th-December 18th in 2007, informs OPDX that he is expected to go back late this year. Operations from 3V8-land is not definite. Stay tuned!

4J/4K, AZERBAIJAN. Members of the Federation of Radio Sports of Azerbaijan plan to undertake a DXpedition into the Nagorno Karabakh area (4J/4K) between May 28th and June 1st. The team will use the callsigns 4K3K and 4J0K. The DXpedition is timed to be an entry in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st). Please be aware that the mentioned callsigns are only legal to operate in the assigned Nagorno Karabakh area. No other callsigns are issued for the named territory by the Ministry of Communication of Azerbaijan. Any other callsigns are considered illegal. The QSL Manager for this DXpedition is RW6HS.

4L, GEORGIA. Vaho, 4L8A, will be active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. QSL via K1BV, by the Bureau or direct.

4U1W/4U30, AUSTRIA (Special Event). The Vienna International Amateur Radio Club station, 4U1VIC, will be active using the following special event callsigns as follows:
4U1WED - During June to celebrate World Environment Day
4U30VIC - Between July and December to celebrate the Vienna International Centre's (UN building in Vienna) 30th anniversary.
QSL via 4U1VIC: Amateur Radio Club, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, A-1400 Vienna, AUSTRIA.
PLEASE NOTE: For DXCC purpose, all (including 4U1VIC) counts as Austria (OE).

5H2, TANZANIA. Win, DK9IP/KH7CD, will be active as 5H2WK from Arusha between May 28th and June 5th. Activity will be a holiday style, so his operations will be limited. However, Win will try to be active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st). QSL via DK9IP.

6W, SENEGAL. Al, F5VHJ, will be active as 6W1RY during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ.

7X, ALGERIA (Update/Special Event Callsign Change/Ham Meet). Members of the Algerian Radio Amateur Association (A.R.A) and Djelfa Radio Club (7X2VFK) will activate the special event callsign 7U2ISM during the

International Algerian Sahara HAM Meeting (June 15-21st). A number of stations will be on the air on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB with some sporadic RTTY and BPSK. A special diploma will be issued instead of a QSL card. QSL via 7X2DD. To see the diploma and other info, visit: http://www.qrz.com/db/7U2ISM

8Q, MALDIVES. Giulio, IW3HVB, will be active as 8Q7GP from Ari Atoll between May 27th and June 4th. Activity will be mainly 40/30/20 meters using SSB and PSK31. If the propagation is good, he will also try to operate on 17/15/12/10 meters. Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 7057, 14267, 18137, 21267, 24957 and 28567
PSK31 - 7036.2, 10139.2, 14070.2, 180109.2, 21070.2, 24927.2 and 28120.2 kHz
Giulio will use an Elecraft K3 w/100 watts and multiband vertical antenna by I1UJX. QSL via IW3HVB, by the bureau or direct.

A3, TONGA (Update). Paul, A35RK, informed OPDX early last week that he has been having big S-9+ power line noise problems. He states, "It was bad while Dave, A35KL, was here, and it has gotten worse. The local power company crew came out here yesterday (May 11th) and tightened up alot of loose pole hardware and worked on a nearby transformer, but there was no improvement. They said that they would come back again another day. Let's hope so. It's truly a credit to the excellent noise reduction features of the Elecraft K3 that I am making any contacts at all under these conditions. I have been listening for EU contacts on 20/CW at about 0700z everyday, but I haven't had much luck. I will continue to try. Bad condx have been generally poor. I will probably be extending my visit here until mid-June. I'll let you know of the exact cut-off date after I make return reservations to Ha'apai. April and May logs will go to W7TSQ and LoTW on June 1st. The June to-date log will go out on the day I leave here."

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Hiromitsu, JR2SCJ, will be active as AH0AA from Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) during the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via JR2SCJ.

AN INTERVIEW WITH UA4WHX. Wolf, OE1WHC, of the "Documentary Archives Radio Communication" in Austria, conducts an interesting 14 minute interview with well-known DXpeditioner Vlad, UA4WHX, at: http://www.dokufunk.org/amateur_radio/personalities/index.php?CID=6065&lang=EN

CQ ANNOUNCES 2009 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES. The following was received while your editor was attending the Dayton HamVention, and it was also announced during the DX and Contest dinner banquets: "(Dayton, OH - May 15, 2009) CQ magazine today announced its 2009 Hall of Fame inductees, welcoming 15 new members into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame, two new members of the CQ DX Hall of Fame and one new member of the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The 2008 inductees (listed alphabetically) are:

Baker, Bill, W1BKR - President Emeritus, WNET-TV (Thirteen), New York PBS flagship station.
Barton, Loy - Developed class B plate modulation, primary method of modulating tube transmitters for decades.
Bauer, Frank, KA3HDO - NASA Chief Engineer for Exploration Systems; International Chairman, Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS), 1996-2009; AMSAT VP Human Space-flight, 1991-2009.
Bridges, William, W6FA - Laser pioneer; developed first "noble gas" lasers (argon, krypton, xenon) and the dominant modulation system for feeding data into fiber-optic cables; Professor Emeritus of Engineering at CalTech.
Fernandez Martin, Fernando, EA8AK - Member of the European Parliament, representing Spain; former President of the Government of the Canary Islands, former President of URE (Spanish IARU organization).
Floyd, George, WA4DGA (SK) - Author of "Scratchi" column in CQ over four decades. An engineer and executive at General Electric, he also wrote the "Lighthouse Larry" column in GE employee newsletters.
Haseltine, Eric, AB3DI - Former Associate Director of National Intelligence for Science and Technology; former Director of Research, National Security Agency; former Executive Vice President of Research and Development, Walt Disney Companies.
Hollingsworth, Riley, K4ZDH - Former Special Counsel for Amateur Radio, Federal Communications Commission. "Cleaned up" the ham bands after 15 years of neglect by the FCC.
Kilby, Jack - Inventor of the integrated circuit, which revolutionized electronics, including amateur radio equipment.
Krischke, Alois, DJ0TR - Prolific German author of antenna books. Rothammels Antennenbuch, a 1000-page reference showing virtually every amateur radio antenna ever designed, is in its 12th edition.
Maxwell, Walt, W2DU - Antenna designer (specializing in spacecraft communications) and author.
Miller, Lt. Gen. Thomas, K4IC (SK) - Deputy Chief of Staff for Aviation, USMC (1975-79) - in charge of all Marine Corps aviation; "father" of short-takeoff & vertical landing (STOVL) aviation in the USMC. Close friend of Sen. John Glenn; quietly watched out for amateur radio interests on Capitol Hill.
Morgan, Wilse, WX7P - Conducted first amateur radio license exam session under the Volunteer Examiner program in 1984; helped get VE program approved; also designed innovative antennas.
Parise, Ron, WA4SIR (SK) - Astronaut and active ham in space. First ham to operate packet radio from space and pioneered "telebridge" concept for making more frequent school-shuttle contacts possible. Also helped develop Radio JOVE, educational program for monitoring natural radio signals from Jupiter.
Whitehead, Clay, W6WW (SK) - First Director of the White House Office of

Telecommunications Policy in the 1970s; reshaped America's
television landscape by bringing competition to the domestic
satellite market and making it feasible for cable companies
to distribute their own programming via satellite.

The CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame honor those amateurs who not only
excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio
but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways.

The 2009 inductee to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame is:
The Rev. Paul Bittner, W0AIH - Paul's contest station near Eau Claire,
Wisconsin, is known in Midwestern contesting circles
simply as "The Farm." Spreading across 120 acres, Paul's
farm grows a wide variety of antennas as well as regular
crops of new contesters. Paul constantly seeks out and
trains new contesters at his multi/multi station and
welcomes visiting hams from around the world. He was
nominated by the Minnesota Wireless Association.

The 2009 inductees to the CQ DX Hall of Fame are:
Neville Cheadle, G3NUG - Nominated by both the Chiltern
DX Club and the Southeastern DX Club, Neville this year
is celebrating his 50th anniversary in amateur radio.
During that time he has confirmed 366 DX countries and
nearly 1000 islands. As founder of the Five Star DX
Association, Neville has been instrumental in organizing
four major DXpeditions which have involved more than 90
hams from 14 different countries and have accounted for
over a half million radio contacts! Neville is also the
co-author of DXpeditioning Behind the Scenes, a handbook
for hams on planning, setting up and operating successful
DXpeditions.

Tom Harrell, N4XP - Tom has confirmed 361 DXCC entities, holds 9-band
DXCC, 5-band Worked All Zones and WPX awards for SSB, CW
and mixed-mode. Tom has also operated from 19 different
DXCC entities, including two DXpeditions on which he was
Team Leader and three on which he was co-Team Leader. Most
recently, he served as Director of Off-Island Support for
the BS7H operation from Scarborough Reef, providing regular
news reports for the DX community. Tom was nominated by
the German DX Foundation.

Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame were scheduled
for the contest and DX dinners, respectively, at the Dayton Hamvention.®"

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. Operators Ranko/E70R, Vlado/E70T, Radomir/E74IW,
Zoka/E76C, Braco/E77DX and Rob/E77E will be active as E7DX during the
CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E.

GEOPARKS WEEKEND. Plenty of stations are expected to be active in the
Geoparks Communication Weekend May 23-24th. Geopark stations are suggested

to operate around or close to the following frequencies: 3680, 7080, 14180, 21180 and 28480 kHz. Several Geopark certificates and awards are available. Just to mention a couple:
UK Geopark certificate: To qualify, working GB6GEO will be an instant qualifier, or ANY two other Geopark stations (not including GB6GEO).

YO (Romania) Geopark Award - The CS Silver Fox issued an award for all who make 100 points working with GEO stations (each 20 points) + any station from HD county who give GEO after report (ex. YO2ARV 579/GEO). They give 10 points. Award period is between May 23rd and December 30th, 2009. For more info, please E-mail: cssilverfox@...m

HV, VATICAN. Members of Saronno ARI section will be active from HV5PUL, the amateur radio station at the Pontifical Lateran University, on June 1st and 3-4th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are: Andrea/IZ2LSC, Giovanni/I2OGV, Ivano/I2RFJ, Giuseppe/I2ZBX and Romeo/IK2DJV. QSL direct to:HV5PUL, c/o Pontificia Universita Lateranense, 00120 Vatican City State.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-098. A group of Turkish radio amateurs activated Karaada Island in the Aegean Sea this past week between May 17-21st, using the special callsign TC098A. Operators were Pavel/OK1MU (TA2ZAF), Slavek/OK1TN, Franta/OK1DF (7X0RY), Zdenek/OK1FIA and Onda/OK1CDJ. Activity took place on 40-10 meters and VHF (locator KM36RX). QSL via OK2GZ, by the Bureau, direct or via their Web page at: http://www.okdxf.eu/expedice/tc098a/en/

AS-137. Operators Rene/DL2JRM, Mee/BD4TQ, Meng/BD4TT (YL) and Dale/BA4TB were expected to be active from Dayang Shan Island, May 22-24th. Activity is to be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digi-modes. Operators will sign homecall/5. QSL via their home callsigns.

EU-028. Mauri, IZ5OVP, will be active as IA5/IZ5OVP from Elba Island (IIA LI001, MIA MI-022), May 24-25th. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-042. Thomas, DH1TS, will be active as DH1TS/p from Amrum Island between now and May 28th. QSL via his home callsign, bureau is preferred.

EU-048. Thomas, DL5MO, will be active as F/DL5MO from Groix Island (DIFM AT-012, WLOTA 0050) between June 29th and July 10th. Activity will be holiday style with operations mainly on 40/30/20 meters. QSL via DL5MO, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-054. Operators Salvetti/IW2MZX, Andrea/IZ2AJE, Vincenzo/IZ2GLU and Fabio/IZ2GMT will be active as IF9E from Levanzo Island (IIA TP-009, MIA MI-050, WLOTA 1918), May 21-24th. Activity will

be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31.
QSL via IZ2GLU, direct and by the Bureau.

EU-078. Operators George/EC2ADN and Christian/EA3NT will be active as EG3FI from Formigues Island, June 6-7th. This will be the first activation of Formigues Island since this island was added to the EU-078 group. Christian submitted all the necessary documents to be added. QSL via EA3NT, direct or by the bureau.

EU-121. Operators Robert/GI0NCA, Rudo/OM5FM and Vlado/OM7CA will be active as EI/homecall from Arranmore Island between May 25-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, RTTY and SSB. Operations will take place from Arranmore lighthouse (ARLHS IRE-002; WLOTA 1189) . QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Burea.

EU-122. Members of Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC (GM3YS/GM0ADX/GM7A) will be active as GI3YS from Rathlin Island (WLOTA 0039), Northern Ireland during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are: Allan/GM3OZB, Barry/GM3YEH, Steve/GM4OSS, John/GM0DJG and Gordon/MM0BIM. QSL via MM0DHQ, Bureau is preferred.

EU-155. Members of the Terre D' Argine Radio Team (TDART) will activate Scanno di Piallazza (IIA FE-001, Loc JN64ES) between May 31st and June 1st. Operators will sign homecall/P4. The team includes the following: Sergio/IK4JPR, Vanni/IK4RUX, Franco/IK4GLV, Gianni/IZ4ISX and Giuseppe/IZ4CCO. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the ARI Bureau.

EU-172. Look for operators Harry/PA1H and Nico/PA7PA to be active as OZ/homecall from Lango Island (FY-019 and NOT EU-029!!!) between July 25th and August 1st. Lango Island belongs to the Langeland Island group, and there is only one house on the island. So it is a unique location situated in "The Lindelse Nor". Activity will be on 160-10 meters using SSB and the Digi-modes. They also plan to be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). There may also be some VHF operations. QSL via their home callsign, by the bureau or direct (QRZ.com addresses).

NA-127. Members of the Halifax Amateur Radio Club will be activating Briar Island (CISA NS 011) as VE1FO/p between Friday evening May 22nd through Sunday evening, May 24th. The team includes six couples: Dick/VE1AI and Sandra, Scott/VE1QD and Sue, Howard/VE1DHD and Jean, Gary/VE1RGB and Bev, Ken/VY2RU and Ella/ VE1PEI, and Frank/VE1FHW and Carol/VE1CBW. Activity will be from the Brier Island Lodge <www.brierislandlodge.com> on 80/40/30/20/17/15 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE1DHD, by the Bureau or direct to: Howard Dickson, Halifax Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 663, Halifax, N.S. B3J 3T3, CANADA. PLEASE

NOTE: QSLs outside USA and Canada, send one IRC, or 2 USDs.
QSLs from USA, do NOT send a SASE with a U.S. stamp on it!
You may send SASE with the proper amount of Canadian postage,
or 1 IRC or 1 USD. Cards without proper postage will be answered
via the bureau. EQSL.cc and bureau cards will be fully supported,
but they are not currently registered at eQSL.cc.

JT1/JT4, MONGOLIA (Update). A research team (Scott/KC0KHA, Dave, Gabor,
and Terry) is currently in JT-land on a Mongolian Vertebrate Parasite
Project (MVPP). The team has been assigned two club callsigns for two
different regions in Mongolia. While in Ulaanbaatar (and north of the
Gobi region), they will use the callsign JT1N. In the Gobi region they
will use the callsign JT4N. Their host in Ulaanbaatar is Naran, JT1BV.
It is recommend to watch 20 meters (14190 kHz after 1030z). At the end
of May, they will be doing field work in and around the Gobi Gurvan
Saikhan National Park in southern Mongolia through August. QSL via KC0KHA.
Read about their MVPP at: http://lamarck.unl.edu/mongolia/

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND. Co-leaders Tom/N4XP and Dave/WB4JTT have posted the
following press release (Number 3 -- dated May 13, 2009)(edited):
"Arrangements and plans are moving along without difficulty for the
scheduled operation date of October 9-19th, 2009. We would like to announce
the addition of three new members, Carlos/EA1IR, Craig/K9CT and Oscar/EA1DR
to the team. Carlos, Craig and Oscar come to us with DXpedition experience,
and we look forward to having them as members of the team.
Numerous equipment suppliers and manufacturers are on line with their
support. When you deal with these companies or individuals please take a
moment and thank them for providing support to not only this DXpedition but
to all DXpeditions. Currently Acom, Heil, Rig Expert, The Battle Creek
Group, WX0B, Cable Experts, ELLI Print, QRZ-DX, The Daily DX, IZ2KTZ,
W8AEF, and W6SZN are providing equipment or support of some type.
The team would like to thank NCDXF, The Colvin Award, Southwest Ohio
DX Association, The German DX Foundation, INDEXA, The Southeastern DX
Club, The Lone Star DX Association, The Danish DX Group and others for
their generous donations. You may also contribute, and we will appreciate
your support. Contributions can be forwarded several ways, via the
<www.midway2009.com> web site using Pay Pal, credit card or U.S. Mail.
All contributions are noted on the web site and depending on the level
of support will be noted on the DXpedition QSL.
Many of the team members will be at Dayton and look forward to seeing
you. Please say hello when you see a member sporting the Blue NCDXF T
shirt with the K4M call walking around.
Two additional official web site features announced last month - The
Midway Memorabilia Store and the DX poll are being well received. Take a
look at the poll and see where your needs stand in regard to the rest of
the DX world.
This month we are highlighting three more team members. You can read
all their history at (Meet the ops part II):
http://www.midway2009.com/meettheops2.html "

KL7, ALASKA (IOTA/LH Op). Don, N6IC, will be heading north to visit his family in Alaska and will be active as N6IC/KL7 from Douglas Island (NA-041, USI AK-018S, WLOTA 3106) between now and May 30th. Look for activity ONLY during the day. QSL via his home callsign.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Ann/KP2YL and Brian/KP2HC will be back on St. Croix, June 1-30th. Listen for them doing CW and SSB on 160-6 meters. June is 6m season in the Caribbean, and Brian will be monitoring that band. St Croix is IOTA NA-016 and grid FK77. QSL direct ONLY (information is available on QRZ.com).

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators Lars/DF1LON, Mike/DF3VM, Willfried/DF4PD, Chris/DL7CS, Robin/K4VU and Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

MJ, JERSEY (EU-013). Operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG are now active from here as MJ/homecall until May 27th. Activity is on 80-6 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. Over the past week QSNs show heavy activity on 30/17/10 meters. QSL via bureau to DL7AFS. Their online logs as well as more info can be found on their Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs
ADDED NOTE: Look for them to be active as J79ZG from Dominica in October.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010.....
Members of the French CW Society the Union
Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT)
have elected the new officers for the year 2009-2010 as follows:
President : Vincent Ortega, F5MJV
Vice-President : Francis Fagon, F6ELU
Treasurer : Gerard Toussaint, F6ICG
Assistant Treasurer: Maurice Mathieu, F5IYU
Secretary : Bernard Irigoyen, F5HEW
Trustees : XYL Evelyne Terrail/F5RPB, XYL Claudine Declef/F5JER,
Frederic Bossu/F5INL, Jean-Claude Mercier/F6JOE and
Paolo Paravagna/F8ENY.

Members of the Strange Radio Team (SRT) have announced their new team:
Oreste, IZ8EDJ : President, responsible and organizer of DX Convention
Francesco, IZ7AUH: Vice-President & Webmaster
Francesco, IK8WEJ: Vice-President and responsible for SRT special calls
Marco, IZ7DOK : Vice-President & Event Manager
Christine, I0OCD : Secretary & International Public Relations
Fabio, IZ7CRW : Moderator Forum lists (SRT-FORUM / SRT-DX)
Federico, IW1QN : 50 MHz Memorial Day Contest Manager

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
OA4O via direct or by the Bureau
TC2009UC via: P.O. Box 73, Karakoy 34421, Istanbul, TURKEY
TC2ATAM via TA1KB
YS1G via G3TXF or LoTW

9V1YC QSL STATUS. Randy, W5UE, reports that "James' (9V1YC), QSL Manager Joe, N5ID, has been suffering from an extended illness and has been in

the hospital or rehabilitation for several months unable to respond to QSL requests. As a result I am temporarily taking over answering Joe's backlog of requests. The priority will be direct requests, and I will get to bureau requests as time allows. I have all of James' logs and received an initial large batch of unopened direct requests from Joe's QTH and have blanks for 9V1YC so processing of those will begin this week. I will also be answering N1YC/VK9X and 9V9HQ requests once I have the blank cards. I will be receiving more from Joe over the next few weeks, so please continue to be patient. Please note that at this time this is a TEMPORARY change. PLEASE DO NOT update any QSL manager databases or routes as a result of this note. In the interim please feel free to direct any email queries about your 9V1YC status directly to me. Also, I will be updating status from time to time on my web page at <http://w5ue.net>. James and Joe both apologize for any inconvenience this has caused and appreciate your understanding. Please continue to keep Joe in your thoughts and prayers. 73"

NEW QSL ROUTE. Buzz, NI5DX, is now the QSL manager for Juma, A71BU. Juma has had his new callsign for only a week. He has already sent Buzz his up-to-date log. QSL cards will need to be designed and ordered. Please allow approximately 6-8 weeks before the first A71BU cards are sent out. A71EM and A92GT card requests still go to EA7FTR.

MJ4K QSL STATUS. Dave, G3NKC, informs that the QSLs have finally been received from printer on May 15th; all requests were printed the same day and were either posted the same day or the next day. He states, "I will turn all new direct requests around as fast as possible; usually within a week (usual rule apply with return postage). Users can apply for MD4K or MD6V QSLs at the same time; I don't mind!"

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Bill, K0DEQ, reports that some sources report that K5FI is QSL manager for OD5GR, but an E-mail from K5FI asserts in the strongest possible terms that he is "NOT" the QSL Manager for OD5GR or anyone else. K5FI would appreciate help in correcting this misinformation. OD5GR is actually a PIRATE station.

TS7C QSL STATUS. It has been reported that about 2000 cards direct requests received up to May 10th were put in the mail by Sylvain, F4EGD, the QSL Manager. The Bureau cards are scheduled to be handed over to the French REF-Union Bureau in Tours during the second half of May.

Chris, HA5X/HG5XA, reports: "The VK9GMW log has now been uploaded to LoTW. We have also started uploading logs to eQSL.cc. On that system there was a little problem with the ADIF upload and the RST field of some CW QSOs got corrupted, and thus currently read '59' instead of '599', but we hope to get support from the eQSL team to get that fixed."

VK9LA QSL STATUS. Bill, VK4FW, informs on May 22nd: "2 days ago I approved the design and print of the cards, so I expect to possibly have them here in 10 days or so. Meantime anyone looking at the OQRS service will find it is not working properly along with other parts of the Web site. This is due to hackers getting into <www.odxg.org>.

We hope to have the site back up ASAP."

ZL7T QSL STATUS. Lee, ZL2AL, reports: "I am processing the cards at the moment and the first batch will go out June 1st, next batch June 15th and the June 30th for the last batch which will bring us up into 'current' status. Thanks for all your kind comments in the cards."

QSLS VIA LOTW: 3D2NB, 4V4JR, 5X1NH, 7Q7BP, 8P5A, AY7X, BX5AA, C6APR, C91TX, D4C, DV1JM, E74A, FM5KC, G3YYD, IM0/IK0FMB, KH7X, PR8ZX, PY0FF, SP3RBG, T27A, UA0FDX, VP8KF and VK9GMW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2OU, 3W9JR, 4S7NE, 5T5JA, 5U7JB, 6W1SE, 9A6M, 9L0W, A52DT, C31CT, CT3/DJ7RJ, CW5W, EK6TA, ER0WW, ES1QD, ET3JA, FG/K9NW, FS/W3FF, FS/WW5L, FW5ZL, FK/G3TXF, H40MS, H7/K9NW, HC8N, HH4/K4QD, J6/W5JON, JD1BLK, JD1BLY, JT1DN, K5D, KH0PR, KL7J, KL7Y, OD5NJ, ON/N4ZC, OX2A, RW0CN, SV9/DJ7RJ, T27A, T27OU, T30XX, T31DX, T33ZZ, TS7C, V31FB, V63PR, V63TR, V63ZM, VK4/G3TXF, VK9/G3TXF, VK9AA, VP2V/K9NW, VP5T, VP6TD, VP8YLB, VP9KF, VX8X, XU7MDY, XW1B, YB1BA, YJ0TXF, ZC4VJ and ZL7/SP8BQJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O7A, 5L2MS, 5N3CPR, 8S5A, 9H3YM, 9U0A, 9X/ON4WW, C6APR, CU2AF, CU2JT, DL1DTC, E51NOU, E73KW, FJ/SP7VC, HB0/DJ2MX, HP2/CX2AM, J3A, J6/DL7AFS, KP4SQ, OE6HXQ, OK5R, P40W, T33WW, TI5N, TU2/F5PTM, UU6JJ, V31YN, VC3A, VK9DNX, YU2000A and YU4WU

SV9, CRETE. Dimitris, SV9COL, will be active from Heraklio (EU-015, GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Lower-Power entry. QSLs are "OK" via LoTW.

TI9, COCOS ISLAND. Henry, TI2HMG, is trying to put together another operation to TI9 which will take place in February of 2010. If you are interested in being part of the DXpedition, send an E-mail to: ti2hmg@...
Look for updates and details on: http://www.qsl.net/ti2hmg/cocos.htm

TO4G, GLORIOSO ISLAND. Didier, F5OGL, has announced dates for an upcoming operation this year. His press release states that a ham radio team of 3-4 military operators along with two reporters/journalists from SIRPA (French Forces Public Relations and Informations Services) will be landing on Glorioso Island by July 9th and will stay there up to July 28th. He states that the video reporting team will be there to make several video footages/ documentaries with the main video being the DXpedition itself. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using numerous modes such as CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and possibly other digital modes. Three stations are planned to be on the air. All the equipment is going to be loaned by the F6KOP team and CDXC President F4AJQ. The callsign will not be announced until the operation, but it was mentioned there could be more than one callsign. The leader and QSL Manager is Didier, F5OGL. Webmaster is Rafik, F5CQ. Other operators mentioned are: Freddy/F5IRO (TO4E), Yves-Michel/F5PRU, Jean-Claude/F5TLM and if possible Philippe/F4EGS and Jean-Marc/F5RQQ. They are currently looking for sponsors. They hope to have an online log which can be updated daily during the operation. More information is forthcoming. Look for

updates on their Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr

TX5, AUSTRAL AND MARQUESAS ISLANDS. Les, SP3DOI, reports that a a Polish group of four ham radio amateurs (Jan/SP3CYY, Wojciech/SP9PT, Jozef/SP9-31029 and himself) together with their guest Michel, FO5QB, will activate Tubuai Island (OC-152) in the Austral Island group between September 28th and October 12th, as well as Nuku Hiva Island (OC-027) in the Marquesas Islands group between October 16-22nd. Callsigns applied for are TX5SPA (Austral) and TX5SPM (Marquesas). Their goal is to make as many QSOs as possible, mainly with Europe on the lower frequency bands. Both countries rank 21st and 19th respectively on the most wanted list in that area, but they do not intend to ignore the stations from other continents. If possible (propagation), they will also be working on all the higher bands. They are planning to be active on CW, SSB and RTTY (maybe PSK31). PLEASE NOTE: Operators would like to emphasize that all the costs of the DXpeditions are covered entirely by its participants. They do not accept any sponsors, and are going there for their own pleasure, using their own money. The QSL Manager for their DXpeditions is going to be Wojciech, SP9PT. For more details and update, go to: http://fo2009sp.pl

TZ, MALI. Operators Ed/W0SD and Arliss/W7XU have decided to forsake the Caribbean this summer and instead will be heading here for the 6 meter Sporadic E season. Their DXpedition callsign will be TZ6EI. Arliss has recently returned from Mali with the license in hand. The primary focus will be 6 meters on 50.103 MHz. There are some HF operations planned for late night non-Sporadic E hours. The dates of the operation will be from June 26th through July 5th. Due to the lack of an internet connection, no online logs are planned. The grid square will likely be IK52 or IK62. Ed informs OPDX readers, "Please just send us your RST/RS signal report. We do not need your grid square. We have lost many contacts in the past on six meters as signals have faded out before we get a report, so it is very wise to concentrate on sending 'JUST' our signal report!" QSL via W7XU.

V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA (Update). Jimmy, W6JKV, will be active as V29JKV from Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118) between June 24th and July 3rd. Activity will be on the HF bands, but his focus will be on 6 meters (Grid FK97). He has a very good location and will use a large antenna with power. QSL via his home callsign in Austin, Texas.

V3, BELIZE (Postponed). Operators Terry/W6WTG (V31UR) and his XYL Sharon/ N2OWL (V31WL), who were expected to be active from Caye Caulker (NA-073 and Grid EK57) between July 21-29th and be an entry in the 2009 RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th), have postponed their trip due to the Swine Flu problem. For more info and updates, see Terry's Web page at: http://www.w6wtg.com

VP9, BERMUDA. Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as VE3DZ/VP9 during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He is expected to be there between May 23-31st. Activity outside of the contest (before) will be focused on RTTY/SSB/CW, low bands and 30/17/12

meters. QSL via VE3DZ.

VR2009, HONG KONG (Special Event). Members of the Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association (HARDXA) will use the special event callsign VR2009EAG between July 1st and December 31st, to promote the Hong Kong 2009 East Asia Games. Operations will be primarily on the HF bands from 40-10 meters and VHF on 6 meters. The modes used will be primarily SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL Manager VR2XMT: Charlie Ho, PO Box 900, Fanling Post Office, Hong Kong. There will be no e-QSL or LoTW. To see QSL cards, go to: http://www.qrz.com/vr2009eag

XU7, CAMBODIA. Tom, KC0W/ZD7X, is expected to be active as XU7XXX during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via KC0W, direct only.

YI, IRAQ. John, WT4M (aka YI9TM), informs: "Sorry for the bad news, but YI9TM is QRT until further notice. Nothing wrong, just an operational requirement... Will advise when I will be back on-the-air! Please pass the word.... 73"

YN, NICARAGUA (Update). Eric, K9GY, will be active as YN2GY from Octavio's, YN2N, QTH in Grenada, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will be there between May 28th and June 1st. Outside of the contest, look for some activity on 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Members of the Missouri DX/Contest Club and possibly other operators will be active as ZF2SX during the CQWW RTTY Contest (September 26-27th). Operators mentioned are Jim/W4JO, Ron/K4SX and guest op Rob/W6BO. More details are forthcoming. QSL via K4SX.

ZK2, NIUE (Update/OC-040). Chris, ZL1CT (GM3WOJ), is now active as ZK2V through June 20th. Resources are limited, so activity will be mainly on 80/40/20/15 meters using CW and SSB, with some 30/17/12 meter activity and RTTY. Planned operations include entries in the 2009 ARRL CW and Phone Contests. He is told that he will have Internet access from his QTH. If so, his plans are to upload logs to LoTW on a daily or every other day basis. More details and Chris's online logs will be available on his DXpedition's Web page at: http://www.zk2v.com
A photo QSL is planned and obviously will come after the completion of the DXpedition, so please be patient. QSL via N3SL. Donations will be greatly appreciated.

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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9918. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-23 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9918

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 23 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 143 Issued at 2200Z on 23 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 22/2100Z
to 23/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. New Region 1018 (S33E38) was numbered
during the period. This region formed on the disk and was classified
as a Bxo beta spot group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 22/2100Z to 23/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (24-26
May).
III. Event Probabilities 24 May-26 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 May 070
Predicted 24 May-26 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 23 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 22 May 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 23 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 24 May-26 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 24 May-26 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9919. FT4WC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-23 22:31:07 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 9919 Message: 9919

My parents sold their house after 35 years of occupancy. They sent to me several boxes of "stuff" which included two logbooks.

In one log book is a QSO with FT4WC - 1991. That should be Crozet.

Any idea who the operator was and if he's still alive. F6GVH is listed as the QSL manager.

This is my ONLY Crozet contact to date, and I'd absolutely love to get a QSL card on this one.

73 Rich NN3W

9920. Re: [DX-IS] FT4WC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-24 00:46:37 UTC
From: incoming.verizon.net
Topic: 9919 Message: 9920

I think the op's name may have been Jean Claude. Try the method below for info....GL Jim

----- Original Message ----- In 1995 and 1996, LNDX has published lists of QSL information. These lists kept updated since 1986 by Yves F6CYV have been useful to many to find the necessary addresses and the way forward for the long-sought QSL. La rapidité avec laquelle l'information se trouvait vite dépassée nous a conduit à suspendre ces publications. Yves a continué à maintenir ces listes à jour. The speed with which the information was outdated quickly led us to suspend these publications. Yves continued to keep these lists updated. Depuis septembre 2000 un site fonctionne sur lequel vous trouverez plus de 75.000 QSL information (parues dans LNDX) et adresses ainsi que près de 4.000 adresses e_mail. Since September 2000 a work site on which you find more than 75,000 QSL information (reports LNDX) and addresses as well as nearly 4000 e_mail addresses.
L'usage en est fort simple, il suffit d'envoyer un e_mail à qsl.f6kpoAescaut.net avec, au maximum, 50 indicatifs (un par ligne) dans le corps du message et le robot vous fournira les réponses dans les plus brefs délais (il faudra bien moins de 10 secondes au robot pour trouver 50 indicatifs!). The usage is very simple, just send an e_mail to qsl.f6kpoAescaut.net with a maximum 50 codes (one per line) in the message body and the robot will provide the answers as soon as possible (it will take less than 10 seconds to find the robot 50 indicative).
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; dx-qsl@...
Sent: Saturday, May 23, 2009 10:31 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] FT4WC

My parents sold their house after 35 years of occupancy. They sent to me several boxes of "stuff" which included two logbooks.

In one log book is a QSO with FT4WC - 1991. That should be Crozet.

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73 Rich NN3W

9921. Re: [DX-IS] FT4WC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-24 02:35:36 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9919 Message: 9921

FT4WC's name is/was Jean Claude and that is/was his manager. I worked him on March 18, 1991 at 1607z on 10 metres report both ways was 4x1 (the days of the honest signal report). Have you tried to look up the QSL manager?
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: incoming.verizon.net
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, May 23, 2009 5:46 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT4WC

I think the op's name may have been Jean Claude. Try the method below for info....GL Jim

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L'usage en est fort simple, il suffit d'envoyer un e_mail à qsl.f6kpoAescaut.net avec, au maximum, 50 indicatifs (un par ligne) dans le corps du message et le robot vous fournira les réponses dans les plus brefs délais (il faudra bien moins de 10 secondes au robot pour trouver 50 indicatifs!). The usage is very simple, just send an e_mail to qsl.f6kpoAescaut.net with a maximum 50 codes (one per line) in the message body and the robot will provide the answers as soon as possible (it will take less than 10 seconds to find the robot 50 indicative).
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; dx-qsl@...
Sent: Saturday, May 23, 2009 10:31 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] FT4WC

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73 Rich NN3W

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.12.37/2130 - Release Date: 05/23/09 07:00:00

9922. RE: [DX-IS] FT4WC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-24 02:43:44 UTC
From: John Klim, N3KHK
Topic: 9919 Message: 9922

Rich,

Try http://www.google.fr/search?hl=fr
<http://www.google.fr/search?hl=fr&domains=lesnouvellesdx.fr&sitesearch=lesn
ouvellesdx.fr&q=FT4WC+qsl&sitesearch=lesnouvellesdx.fr&meta>
&domains=lesnouvellesdx.fr&sitesearch=lesnouvellesdx.fr&q=FT4WC+qsl&sitesear
ch=lesnouvellesdx.fr&meta=

SRI I do not read French, good luck.

73 ES CUL

John Klim

N3KHK

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Sent: Saturday, May 23, 2009 6:31 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; dx-qsl@...
Subject: [DX-IS] FT4WC

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several boxes of "stuff" which included two logbooks.

In one log book is a QSO with FT4WC - 1991. That should be Crozet.

Any idea who the operator was and if he's still alive. F6GVH is listed as
the QSL manager.

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card on this one.

73 Rich NN3W

9923. RE: [DX-IS] FT4WC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-24 06:20:17 UTC
From: Jean-Michel Duthilleul
Topic: 9919 Message: 9923

Dear John

> Try http://www.google.fr/search?hl=fr
> <http://www.google.fr/search?hl=fr&domains=lesnouvellesdx.fr&sitesearch=lesn
> ouvellesdx.fr&q=FT4WC+qsl&sitesearch=lesnouvellesdx.fr&meta>
> &domains=lesnouvellesdx.fr&sitesearch=lesnouvellesdx.fr&q=FT4WC+qsl&sitesear
> ch=lesnouvellesdx.fr&meta=

Yes there you can find a large collection of QSL
for the french antarctic bases....

> SRI I do not read French, good luck.

... and on the left side of the page you have an
automatic translator in english. It work so well!

Have a good visit.

Best wishes

Jean-Michel F6AJA

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73's from Jean Michel F6AJA
exHW6AJA, TK6AJA, TO6AJA, FE6AJA
YO/F6AJA, F6AJA/VE2, 5R8FI, F6AJA/BY4RJZ
Op at 5Z4JD, 5R8EN/P
Merite du Clipperton DX Club (1996)
Merite National du REF (1998)
Redactor for the french DX bulletin LNDX
Webmaster for http://LesNouvellesDX.fr
IOTA checkpoint for France
e_mail: LesNouvellesDX@...
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9924. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-24 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9924

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 24 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 144 Issued at 2200Z on 24 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. Region 1018 (S33E25) has decayed into
spotless plage.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (25-27 May).
III. Event Probabilities 25 May-27 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 May 069
Predicted 25 May-27 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 24 May 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 May 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 24 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 25 May-27 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 25 May-27 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9925. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-25 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9925

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 25 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 145 Issued at 2200Z on 25 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (26-28 May).
III. Event Probabilities 26 May-28 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 May 069
Predicted 26 May-28 May 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 25 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 May 004/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 May 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 May-28 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 May-28 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9926. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-26 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9926

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 26 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 146 Issued at 2200Z on 26 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 25/2100Z
to 26/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. There were no flares
during the past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be void of
sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 25/2100Z to 26/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (27-29 May).
III. Event Probabilities 27 May-29 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 26 May 068
Predicted 27 May-29 May 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 26 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 May 001/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 May-29 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 May-29 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9927. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-27 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9927

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 27 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 147 Issued at 2200Z on 27 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (28-30 May).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (28-30 May).
III. Event Probabilities 28 May-30 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 May 067
Predicted 28 May-30 May 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 27 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 26 May 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 27 May 003/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 May-30 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 May-30 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9928. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-27 23:41:09 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 9721 Message: 9928

Sending this report out four times within 2 minutes is not, I repeat, IS NOT going to increase solar activity!

;-)

72.9 de Bob - KØRC in MN

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 5:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 27 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 147 Issued at 2200Z on 27 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (28-30 May).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (28-30 May).
III. Event Probabilities 28 May-30 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 May 067
Predicted 28 May-30 May 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 27 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 26 May 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 27 May 003/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 May-30 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 May-30 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01

Major-severe storm 01/01/01

9929. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-27 23:54:47 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9721 Message: 9929

..& doubt it has any real value. Scan the bands - if there's an opening - work some DX!
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 4:41 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Sending this report out four times within 2 minutes is not, I repeat, IS NOT going to increase solar activity!

;-)

72.9 de Bob - KØRC in MN

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 5:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 27 2200 UTC
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Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
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SDF Number 147 Issued at 2200Z on 27 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (28-30 May).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (28-30 May).
III. Event Probabilities 28 May-30 May
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 May 067
Predicted 28 May-30 May 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 27 May 070

V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 26 May 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 27 May 003/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 May-30 May 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 May-30 May
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

9930. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-27 23:56:50 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 9721 Message: 9930

Odd, I only got it once.

Don
N1DG

At 07:41 PM 5/27/2009, you wrote:

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>
>;-)
>
>72.9 de Bob - K?RC in MN
>
>
>>----- Original Message -----
>>From: <mailto:list_dx@...>Paul Dunphy
>>To: <mailto:dx-is@yahoogroups.com>DX IS!
>>Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 5:11 PM
>>Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
>>
>>:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
>>:Issued: 2009 May 27 2200 UTC
>># Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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>>#
>>Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
>>SDF Number 147 Issued at 2200Z on 27 May 2009
>>IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
>>to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
>>the past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be void of sunspots.
>>IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
>>low for the next three days (28-30 May).
>>IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
>>The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
>>IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
>>expected to be quiet for the next three days (28-30 May).
>>III. Event Probabilities 28 May-30 May
>>Class M 01/01/01
>>Class X 01/01/01
>>Proton 01/01/01
>>PCAF Green
>>IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
>>Observed 27 May 067
>>Predicted 28 May-30 May 068/068/068
>>90 Day Mean 27 May 070

>>V. Geomagnetic A Indices
>>Observed Afr/Ap 26 May 002/004
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>>Minor storm 01/01/01
>>Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9931. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 00:05:07 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 9721 Message: 9931

Have you paid your Yahoo bill? :-)

Then, too, it could be my ISP regurgitating messages so it has something to do this afternoon.

72.8 de Bob - KØRC in MN

----- Original Message -----
From: Don Greenbaum
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 6:56 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Odd, I only got it once.

Don
N1DG

At 07:41 PM 5/27/2009, you wrote:

Sending this report out four times within 2 minutes is not, I repeat, IS NOT going to increase solar activity!

;-)

72.9 de Bob - KØRC in MN

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To: DX IS!
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 5:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 27 2200 UTC
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IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
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9932. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 00:05:29 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9721 Message: 9932

Moi, aussi.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Don Greenbaum
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 8:57 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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9933. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 00:08:44 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9721 Message: 9933

Moi, aussi.

73

Al, VE1AL

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9934. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 00:15:43 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9721 Message: 9934

There's #2 !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aleith@...
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 21:08:44 -0300
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Moi, aussi.

73

Al, VE1AL

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9935. I only count once

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 00:47:17 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9935 Message: 9935

If you log on to the web based version of Yahoo Groups you will see there is one copy the message ""Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity" for 27 May, specifically message number 9927. Messages 9928-9934 are comments on the numbers of times it was sent by Yahoo to the mailing list. I personally only received one copy of the original message.

This messages has been auto-generated by myself and sent to the DX IS! list at approximately 22:12 UTC daily for the past 2-3 weeks. There have been no reports of multiple copies until tonight. Occasionally I have received duplicate copies of other messages. seemingly at random intervals.

Thus I have a priori reason to believe that Yahoo or individual ISPs has caused this.

73, Paul VE1DX

9936. Something on 7.006

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 13:25:04 UTC
From: Mike KE4DP
Topic: 9936 Message: 9936

Hello Group,

The lass few days, I've been hearing something rhythmic and
digital sounding on 7.006, actually 7.002 t0 7.006 in the
morning around local sunrise(1000-1100Z) Anyone know if this is an intruder or some new
digimode? I'm hearing it now.

Good DX

Mike KE4DP

9937. Re: [DX-IS] Something on 7.006

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 13:46:14 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9936 Message: 9937

It's some sort of intruder. I've been hearing it for several months at least. I think someone suspected it was an OTHR from southern Asia.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, May 28, 2009 at 8:25 AM, Mike KE4DP <mike.ke4dp@...>wrote:

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> Good DX
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> Mike KE4DP
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>

9938. Re: Something on 7.006

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 14:04:09 UTC
From: Mike KE4DP
Topic: 9936 Message: 9938

OK, thanks. OTHR makes sense. At least I know it's not me! But it can be distracting when listening to lower edge of 40.

TU and Good DX

Mike KE4DP

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> > >
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9939. ARLD021 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 20:52:53 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4447 Message: 9939

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ARLD021 DX news

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DX Bulletin 21 ARLD021
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 28, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD021
ARLD021 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KX9X, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AZERBAIJAN, 4K. A group of operators are QRV as 4K3K and 4J0K from the Nagorno-Karabakh region until June 1. This includes being entries in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL both calls direct via RW6HS.

GEORGIA, 4L. Andrey, UU0JM is QRV as 4L/UU0JM and will be a Single Op/All Band entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via EA7FTR.

TANZANIA, 5H. Win, DK9IP is QRV as 5H2WK from Arusha until June 5. He is active holiday style. He may also be an entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

SENEGAL, 6W. Al, F5VHJ will be QRV as 6W1RY as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Nobby, G0VJG will be QRV as 8Q7CQ from Kuredu Island, IOTA AS-013, from June 1 to 15. He will be active holiday style on all HF bands and 6 meters. QSL via G4DFI.

BAHAMAS, C6. Operators NA6M, N5RNA, W5TSN, K2CK and K9OWQ will be QRV as C6AMS from Nassau, IOTA NA-001, from June 1 to 14. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL direct via NA6M.

AZORES, CU. Look for CU2X to be a Single Op entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via OH2BH.

JERSEY, GJ. Dez, G0DEZ is QRV as GJ3WW until June 5. This includes being an entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. Outside the contest, he is active mainly on the newer bands, as well as sporadic-E on 6 meters. QSL to home call.

VATICAN, HV. A group of operators from Saronno will be QRV as HV5PUL on June 1, 3 and 4. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Hiromitsu, JR2SCJ will be QRV as AH0AA from Saipan, IOTA OC-086, as a Single Op/Low Power entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. Operators K3VX, W3WH, W3WN, W9UK and K9CS are QRV as homecalls/KP2 until June 2. This includes being QRV as NP2SH as a Multi/2 entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL W3WN/KP2 to home call and all others via K9CS. In addition, Carl, K9CS will also be active on 6 meters on May 28 and 29 and June 1 and 2. QSL to home call.

CZECH REPUBLIC, OK. In commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the OK QRP Club, look for special event station OL25LP to be a Single Op/QRP Power entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via OK2FB.

SWEDEN, SM. Jan, SM5DJZ will be QRV as SD40JZ in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Berkin, TA3J is QRV as TA3J/7 and TA7KI from Erzincan City until June 2. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via TA3YJ. In addition, look for TC4X to be a Single Op entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via OH2BH.

ICELAND, TF. Icelandic Radioscouts Club station TF1SS is active until May 31 during the 8th European Radio Scouting and Internet Seminar in Ulfljotsvatn. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL direct.

COSTA RICA, TI. A group of operators will be QRV as TI5N as a Multi/2 entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. Outside the contest, they will be active on all HF bands and 6 meters. QSL via W3HNK.

UKRAINE, UR. Members of Rivne DX Club will be QRV as EN50KSR from June 1 to July 5 in celebration of 50 years of the Rivne speedway. QSL via UT1KY.

NICARAGUA, YN. Eric, K9GY is QRV as YN2GY until June 1. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. This includes being a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

NEW ZEALAND, ZL. Operators ZL1AIH, ZL1GO and ZL3CW will be QRV as ZM1A as a Multi/2 entry in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via ZL1AMO.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Saudi Arabia, 7Z1CQ, current operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide WPX CW Contest, NCCC Sprint, Kids Roundup and the ARCI Hootowl CW Sprint will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club Data

Championship is scheduled for June 1. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for June 2. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
NNNN
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9940. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-28 22:50:25 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9940

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
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# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 148 Issued at 2200Z on 28 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 27/2100Z
to 28/2100Z: Solar activity continued to be very low. The disk is
spotless and no flares occurred.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 27/2100Z to 28/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to mildly unsettled. A sudden impulse
measuring 33 nT at Boulder occurred at 0520 UTC, bringing unsettled
conditions in its wake. The source of this impulse is of dubious
origin.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet throughout the forecast period.
III. Event Probabilities 29 May-31 May
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Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 28 May 068
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9941. [425ENG] 425 DX News #943

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-29 16:04:15 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9941 Message: 9941

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No 943
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

7X - Special event station 7U2ISM will be active from Djelfa, Algeria between 16 June and 6 July for the International Amateur Radio Meeting that will take place on 15-21 June. The event will be hosted by the Amateurs Radio Algeriens (the Algerian IARU society) and the Radio Club of Djelfa (7X2VFK). A multi-national group of operators will be active on 160-10 metres CW and SSB, with some activity on RTTY, SSTV and BPSK. QSL direct to 7X2DD. [TNX DB1JAW]
8Q - Nobby, G0VJG will be active as 8Q7CQ from the Maldives (AS-013) on 1-15 June. He will spend his honeymoon on Kuredu Island and he plans to operate holiday style on the HF bands SSB. He will also give 6m a try. QSL via G4DFI. [TNX NG3K]
C6 - Mark/NA6M, Renee/N5RNA, Craig/W5TSN, Judy/KC5VVN and Scott/K2CK will be active as C6AMS from Nassau (NA-001) Bahamas on 1-14 June. They plan to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-10 metres with two or three stations. QSL via NA6M. Further information and log search at http://www.c6ams.com/ [TNX The Daily DX]
E5_sc - Nigel, G4KIU has moved to Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands, where he holds the call E51SC. He plans to be active on 80-10 metres SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and some CW. QSL direct to Nigel Peacock, P.O. Box 880, Rarotonga, Cook Islands via New Zealand, or via G4KIU through the RSGB bureau. He will upload his logs to LoTW on a weekly basis. [TNX The Daily DX]
EA - George, EC2ADN and Christian, EA3NT will be active as EG3FI from the Formigues (Hormigas) Islands (EU-078) on 6-7 June. QSL via EA3NT, direct or bureau.
F - In June-July 1944 the BBC war correspondents used the tower of the castle at Creully as a radio studio, from where the first reports of the Battle of Normandy were broadcast. Look for special callsign TM5BBC to be aired again from Creully on 4-12 June. QSL via F2UW. [TNX F5NQL]
F - Commemorating the 65th anniversary of the World War II "D-Day" landings in Normandy (6 June 1944), the following activities are expected to take place from France. The South Flanders DX Activity

Group will operate as F/ON6JUN/P from Ranville on 3-8 June (QSL via ON5SD, direct or bureau. Henk/PA0HFT and Hans/PA0WYS will be active as F/PA65DDAY from Juno Beach, near Courseulles-sur-Mer on 5-8 June (QSL via PA0HFT, direct or bureau). Michel/F6IPS will operate as TM6SME from Emondeville, close to Sainte-Mere-Eglise on 5-14 June (QSL via F6IPS, direct or bureau). [TNX F5NQL]
F - Pierre, F5AAR and Alain, F5OZC will be active as homecall/p from Yeu Island (EU-064) on 3-5 June. They will operate SSB and CW on 10-80 metres. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]
F - Robert, F5HTR and Roger, F5LKW will be active as homecall/p from Riou Island (EU-095) on 8 June. They will operate QRP on +/- 7032 kHz. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]
F - Jean-Marc, F5SGI will be active from Belle-Ile (EU-048, DIFM AT-015) on 19-31 July. He plans to operate CW on 80-6 metres, and to participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5SGI]
FS - John, K9EL will be active as FS/K9EL from French St. Martin (NA-105) on 4-12 June. It will be a family vacation and John plans to operate "whenever possible" on 10-80 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX K9EL]
GM - Col, MM0NDX will be active as MM0NDX/p (QSL via M0URX) from Hirta, St. Kilda Islands (EU-059) on 24-27 July. He plans to operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB, and to take part in the IOTA Contest as GM5A (QSL via GM4FDM). The website for the operation can be found at http://eu059.wordpress.com/
I - Italian stations participating in the Museum Ships Weekend (6-7 June) include II3JD (QSL via IW3IE) from the submarine "Dandolo" at the Italian Navy Museum in Venice, and IY1SP (QSL via I1SAF) from the Italian Navy Museum in La Spezia. Also look for II2IGTO (submarine "Toti", QSL via IQ2MI) to be active for the IARU Region 1 Field Day over the same weekend. [TNX IT9MRM]
IS0 - Massimo, I0PNM will be active as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (EU-165) on 8-16 June. He plans to operate mainly PSK31 on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX I0PNM]
JW - Jan/OK1JK, Jiri/OK1JST, Pavel/OK1IPS and Jiri/OK1IEC will be active as JW/homecall from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard on 5-15 June. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via home calls. [TNX OK1JK]
KL - The KL7RRC IOTA expedition to the Delarof Islands (NA-233, new one), originally scheduled in late July [425DXN 935], is now expected to take place around mid-June. The operators (Johnny, KE7V and Yuri, N3QQ) will reach Adak (NA-039) on 7 June and wait for the cargo ship "Coastal Merchant" to call at port (estimated time of arrival is 11 June). While on Adak they plan to concentrate on 6m operations towards North America and Japan, and to look for a charter boat. If they are able to find it, they plan to operate from Ogliuga Island on 14-19 June. Otherwise, if they have to catch a ride on the "Coastal Merchant", they will go and operate for only 24-36 hours from Gareloi Island between 12 and 14 June. QSL via UA9OBA (Russia and Europe) or N7RO (others). The

website for the operation is at http://www.na-233.ucoz.com/
OE - The Vienna International Centre Amateur Radio Club (4U1VIC) will operate two special event callsigns in the coming months. 4U1WED will be QRV in June to celebrate the World Environment Day, while 4U30VIC will be used in July-December to celebrate the International Centre's 30th anniversary. QSL via 4U1VIC. [TNX OE1ZKC/JH4RHF]
OH0 - Marq, CT1BWW will be active as OH0/CT1BWW from the Aland Islands (EU-002) from 26 July to 6 August. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. A side trip to Market Reef (EU-053) might take place on 1 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. The website is at http://www.geocities.com/oh0ct1bww/ [TNX CT1BWW]
OZ - Andy, DL4OK will be active as OZ/NX1S from Romo Island (EU-125) from 30 May to 6 June. He plans to operate holiday style running 100 watts into a vertical and dipoles. QSL via DL4OK, bureau preferred. [TNX DXNL]
PA - Robert, DC2KN will be active as PA/DC2KN from Terschelling (EU-038) on 28-31 May. He plans to operate during his evening hours only. QSL cards will be sent automatically via GlobalQSL, but Robert would appreciate return cards. [TNX DC2KN]
PA - Special event station PA6JEROEN will be active on 4-14 June from Noordwijk to celebrate the reopening to the public of the 800-year-old bell tower of St Jeroenskerk (St. George's Church). QSL via PA7DA, bureau preferred. [TNX K1XN]
S9 - Georg, DK7LX will be active holiday style as S92LX from Sao Tome (AF-023) on 13-25 June. He will operate CW only on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (Georg welcomes e-mail requests for bureau cards, see http://www.qrz.com/db/s92lx). A log search will be available at www.logsearch.de [TNX DK7LX]
SM - Bernd, DL8AAV will be active as SD1B/7 from Oland Island (EU-037) from 31 May to 12 June. He will operate SSB only on the HF bands. QSL via DL8AAV. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
SV - Special callsign SY2DDAY will be activated on 4-7 June to commemorate the 65th anniversary of the World War II "D-Day" landings in Normandy. QSL direct to SV2KBB.
TA - Berkin, TA3J will be operate CW, SSB and digital modes as either TA3J/7 and TA7KI from the city of Erzincan until 2 June. QSL via TA3YJ. [TNX TA3YJ]
TK - Silvia/EA1AP, Alberto/EA1SA, John/EA3GHZ, Alicia/EA5EWM, Raul/EA5KA and Paco/EA5RU will be active as TK9X from Corsica (EU-014) from 25 July to 1 August. They plan to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 10-160 metres. QSL via EA4URE, direct or bureau. The website for the operation is at http://www.dxciting.com/tk9/ [TNX CT1BWW]
UA - Nick/UA6MM, Konstantin/UA6LIC, Vlad/RV6LFH and Alex/RX6LG will be active as UE6LHP (QSL via UA6MM) and UE1RLH/6 (QSL via RA1QY) from Beglitskiy Lighthouse between 29 May and 7 June. Information on the awards sponsored by the Taganrog DX Expedition Club can be found at www.ua6mm.narod.ru; details on the Russian Lighthouses Award can be found on the Russian Robinson Club's new website at

http://robinsons.ru [TNX UA6MM and RA1QY]
UA - Serge, RZ3AMW expects to be active as RZ3AMW/1 from Ryashkov Island (EU-162) from 15 June to 2 July. He plans to operate mainly CW on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX RZ3AMW]
UR - Special callsign EM15DIG will be activated from 1 June until 31 July to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Ukrainian branch of the Diplom Interessen Gruppe. QSL via UY5AA. Information on the relevant "UR-15-DIG" award can be found at http://arc.sumy.net/taxonomy_menu/1/32 [TNX UY5AA]
VE - The Westcoast Amateur Radio Association will be active as VE7IYOA from Victoria, British Columbia throughout June. Most activity is likely to concentrate during the weekends, including the ARRL Field Day on 27-28 June. The special callsign commemorates the International Year of Astronomy. QSL via VE7DAO.
VE - Gregg, VE3ZZ and Noel, VE2BR will operate from VY2TT's station on Prince Edward Island (NA-029, CIsA PE-001) on 15-27 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as VY2Z (QSL to VE3ZZ), while outside the IOTA event they will be active as VE3ZZ/VY2 and VE2BR/VY2 (QSL via home calls, direct or bureau). [TNX VE3ZZ]
VE - John, VE8EV will be active as VC8B from Sachs Harbour on Banks Island (NA-129) on 24-27 July, IOTA Contest included. He will operate SSB only, mostly on 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Bookmark http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA for updates.
W - Al/WA4EWV, Bill/K5YG, Bob/WN2E, Bruce/N5SIX, Daniel/KE5KDM, Danny/N5OMG and Marshall/K5QE will be active as K5N from Burwood Island (USi LA-105S) on 29-31 May. They will be operating from rare grid EL58 with three stations, two on 6 metres and one on 80-10 metres. QSL via W5TFW. The web pages for the operation can be found at http://www.kcvhfgridbandits.com/kc_vhf_grid_bandits_018.htm [TNX QRZ-DX]

CQ WW WPX CW CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (30-31 May):

Call	Category	DXCC	QSL VIA
3G1C	SOAB LP	Chile	CE1KR
3V8SS	SOAB LP	Tunisia	IZ8CCW
3V9A	SOAB HP	Tunisia	YT1AD
4J0K	Azerbaijan		RW6HS
4K3K	Azerbaijan		RW6HS
4L0A	SOAB HP	Georgia	EA7FTR
4L8A	SOSB 20m	Georgia	K1BV
4M5IR	SOSB 80M	Venezuela	YV5KG
5B4AII	M/S	Cyprus	RW3RN
8P5A	SOAB HP	Barbados	NN1N
9A800VZ	M/?	Croatia	9A7A
AH0AA	SO LP	Mariana Isls	JR2SCJ
AH2Y	M/S	Guam	HL1IWD

AN8R M/M Canary Isls EA8AY
C4I M/? Cyprus LZ2HM
C4N M/S Cyprus W3HNK
C6AKU M/2 Bahamas K5WW
CS9L M/S Madeira Isls DJ6QT
CU2X SO Azores OH2BH
E21EIC SO LP Thailand E21EIC
E7DX M/S Bosnia & Herzegovina E77E
EE2W M/S Spain EB2BXL
EF8M SOAB HP Canary Is UA3DX
EJ6DX SOSB 40m Ireland RX3RC
G1A SOAB HP England M0DXR
GJ3WW SO LP Jersey G0DEZ
HC8N SOAB Galapagos Isls W5UE
IO4T SOAB Italy IZ4JMA
IR1Y M/S Italy IK1YDB
IR9Y M/S Italy (Sicily) IT9ABY
IU9T SOAB Italy (Sicily) IT9GSF
J48HW Greece HA0HW
KP2B SOAB LP Virgin Isls EA7FTR
LN3Z M/S Norway LA9VDA
LR2F M/S Argentina LU2FA
LS1D M/S Argentina LW9EOC
LX7I M/2 Luxembourg LX2A
LY7A M/M Lithuania LY2ZO
LZ8E SOAB HP Bulgaria LZ2BE
LZ9W M/M Bulgaria LZ1PM
NP2SH M/2 US Virgin Isls K9CS
OF200AD SOSB 20m Finland OH5AD
OG50F SO Finland OH1NOA
OG5M SOSB 40M Finland OH5XT
OH0EC Aland Isls DL1EKC
OH0Z M/S Aland Isls W0MM
OH8X SO Finland OH2UA
OT5W SOSB 40M Belgium ON4RU
PQ4F SO Brazil PY4FQ
PR1T M/S Brazil PY1ZV
PR5W SOAB Brazil PY5FB
PT4C SO Brazil PY4XX
RK3K M/S Russia (EU) RK3QWW
RL4R SOSB 40m Russia (EU) RW4PL
SD40JZ SO Sweden SM5DJZ
SV9COL SOAB LP Crete SV9COL
SY2WT Greece SV2FPU
TA3KZ M/S Turkey TA3KZ
TA7KI SOSB 20m Turkey TA3YJ
TC4X SO Turkey OH2BH
TI5N M/2 Costa Rica W3HNK
TM6M M/S France F6KHM
UU7J M/? Ukraine UU0JM

UZ2M M/S Ukraine US0LW
VC2A M/S Canada VE3TA
VC6T Canada VE6SV
VC6X Canada VE6BF
VE3DZ/VP9 SOAB LP Bermuda VE3DZ
VK6AA SOSB 40m Australia DL8YR
XU7XXX SO LP Cambodia KC0W
YM3D SOAB Turkey TA3D
YN2GY SOAB LP Nicaragua K9GY
YP6C SOAB Romania YO6VCB
ZM1A M/2 New Zealand ZL1AMO
ZW5B M/M Brazil K3IRV
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2009.html - good contest to you all!

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AUSTRALIAN SHIRES ---> Organized by the Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group, the Australian Shires Contest will be held on 6-7 June, from 6 UTC to 6 UTC, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and CW. The objective is for amateurs around the world to contact as many VK shires as possible. Information on this event, as well as on the Worked All VK Shires Award, can be found at www.vkshires.info [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

DXCC NEWS ---> 7Z1CQ, Saudi Arabia (current operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you had this operation rejected in a DXCC application, send an e-mail to dxcc@... to be placed on the list to have your account updated. [TNX NC1L]

EK6LP ---> Should you have any question about EK6LP's logs on LoTW, please refrain from emailing Aram and write to IK2DUW instead. Antonello is the QSL manager for Aram and takes care of the uploads to LoTW. [TNX IK2DUW]

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND ---> Sponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (NJ2BB), this year's Museum Ships Weekend will be held from 00.00 UTC on 6 June until 23.59 UTC on the 7th. Information on the event, including the relevant certificate and the listing of participating ships, can be found at http://www.nj2bb.org/

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Andy, SP6GVU says he is receiving many cards for contacts made with 9V1UV on FSK and BPSK. He is not and has never been the QSL manager 9V1UV, and has no idea where the wrong route may have originated from.

PORTUGAL ---> New regulations will become effective in Portugal on 1 June 2009. While existing licence categories (A, B, and C) are maintained, there

will be three new licence classes (1, 2 and 3) for those who get licensed after 1 June. Current "ordinary" callsigns will be kept as they are, but special events (including contests) will be issued with callsigns from the new series. The new prefix allocations are as follows:
INDIVIDUAL STATIONS
Portugal CT7, CS7, CR7 (depending on licence class)
Azores CT8, CS8, CR8 (depending on licence class)
Madeira CT9, CS9, CR9 (depending on licence class)
NON-PROPRIETARY STATIONS
Portugal CQ0, CS5; CR0 (civil defence)
Azores CQ1, CS4; CR0 (civil defence)
Madeira CQ2, CS3; CR0 (civil defence)
SPECIAL EVENTS
Portugal CQ7, CR5, CR6, CS2
Azores CQ8, CR1, CR2
Madeira CQ3, CQ9, CR3
Foreign amateurs who go and operate under a CEPT licence will have to use CT7/homecall from Portugal, CT8/homecall from the Azores and CT9/homecall from Madeira. CEPT "novice" licencees will have to use CS7/hc, CS8/hc and CS9/hc as appropriate. The new legislation can be found at http://www.icp.pt/render.jsp?contentId=931324

ZK2V ---> Chris, ZL1CT/GM3WOJ says he made 6100 QSOs in nine days "which is a bit disappointing". Conditions are poor - he made only one QSO on 160 metres and two QSOs on 80 metres, so he is concentrating on the higher bands. Openings to Europe are often short with weak signals, which is lowering the QSO rate, but signals from JA and the USA have been strong. Chris has got a special permit to operate on 60 metres, from 11 UTC on 1 June until 11 UTC on the 8th. He can transmit only on 5403.5 kHz (USB for USA, CW for rest of world), but will listen on 5371.5 or another channel. The website (www.zk2v.com) is updated nearly every day - there is an online logsearch and all QSOs are uploaded to LoTW every few days. QSL via N3SL, direct or bureau. [TNX ZK2V]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Roberto Tortora (IZ0GKN), Jan Kikkert (PA0IJM), Nikolaj N. Fedorov (UA3WFN) and John Bearsby (VK6JB).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2OU, 3W9JR, 4K9W, 4L6DL, 4S7NE, 4U1UN, 4V4JR, 5N/LZ1QK, 5T5JA, 5U7JB, 6W/DL4JS, 6W1SE, 8Q7DV, 8Q7HN, 8Q7SC, 9A6M, 9L0W, 9L1DX, 9M2AX, 9U0A, A52DT, A61Q, BD7NWF, C31CT, CE9XX, CP6AA, CS2C, CW5W, CY9SS, DU3NXE, EK6LP, EK6TA, ER0WW, ES1QD, ES1WN, ES1WW, ET3AA, ET3JA, EX2A, FG/K9NW, FH/G3SWH, FJ5KH, FK/G3MXJ, FK/G3TXF, FO/N6JA, FS/W3FF, FS/WW5L, FT5YJ/P (AN-006), FW5ZL, H44MS (OC-047), H7/K9NW, HC1MD, HC8N, HH4/K4QD, HI3/LY3UM, HK0/EA7HEJ, HV0A, J28JA, J6/W5JON, J79XBI, J88DR, JD1BIE, JD1BLK, JD1BLY, JD1BMM, JT1DN, JT1R, JW/SM0MDG, JW5HE, K5D, K6PV (NA-066), KH0PR, KH7XS, KL7J, KL7Y, KP3Z, LA9SN/P (EU-056), LX/DL6WT, MD0CCE, MI0SRR, MU0FAL (EU-114), NP2SH, NP4Z, OD5NJ, OH9A (EU-173), OX2A, OZ/DO1BEN (EU-029), OZ1CTK, PJ5NA, RW0CN, S51CK, S79MV, SU1SK, SU9BN,

SV5/OM5AW, SV9/DJ7RJ, SX8WT (EU-072), T27A, T27OU, T30XX, T31DX, T33ZZ,
TR8IG, TS7C (AF-073), UA0SJ, V26ET, V26F, V31FB, V31WO, V63PR (OC-010),
V63TR, V63ZM, VE2XAA/2, VE7ICH, VK0BP, VK4/G3TXF, VK9/G3TXF, VK9AA,
VK9N/G3MXJ, VK9NS, VO2FF, VP2MVX, VP2V/K9NW, VP2V/SP3IPB, VP5/W5AO, VP5T,
VP6TD, VP8/LZ1UQ, VP8DLM, VP8KF, VP8YLB, VP8YLH, VP9KF, VX8X (NA-192),
W5ZZ/p (NA-168), XE1KK/XF1 (NA-124), XF3PAS (NA-090), XU7MDY, XW1B, YB0DPO,
YB1BA, YJ0MXJ, YJ0TXF, YK1BA, YN2DD, Z29KM, ZB2FK, ZC4VJ, ZK2V, ZL7/SP8BQJ,
ZL7T, ZS6BQI.

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9942. [425ENG] 425 DX News #943 [Calendar]

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 22nd-May, through Friday, 29th-May there were 207 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. Hrane, YT1AD, will be active as 3V9A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via

YT1AD.

4L, GEORGIA. Gia, 4L4WW, will be active as 4L0A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via EA7FTR.

7P8, LESOTHO. Ivan, UR9IDX, is expected to be (or is) in Lesotho and has received the callsign 7P8R. His length of stay is unknown, as well as his plans for operations (bands/modes) as this was being written. QSL direct only to: Ivan Borzenko, P.O. Box 85, Mari, Mariupol-31, 87531, UKRAINE.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30=31st) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

8Q, MALDIVES. Just a reminder that Nobby, G0VJG, will be active as 8Q7CQ between June 1-15th. This will be a limited operation because Nobby will be on his honeymoon (and he thanks his wife for putting up with him and the QRM). Activity will be from Kuredu Island (AS-013) mainly HF SSB but some 6 meters. QSL via Owen, G4DFI. Visit his Web page at: http://g0vjg.piczo.com/?cr=5

8Q, MALDIVES. Tom, PF4T, will be active as 8Q7TB from the Island of Embudu between June 8-24th. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using SSB with a FT-897 and G5RV antenna. QSL direct to PF4T or by the Bureau via PA0LEY. For more details on QSL info, see QRZ.com. Also, visit his Web page at: http://8q7tb.pf4t.nl

C4, CYPRUS. Look for Andy, LZ2HM, and possibly others to be active as C4I during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi/? entry. QSL via LZ2HM.

C4, CYPRUS. Operators Valentin/5B4AGM, Alex/5B8AD and Oleg/UA9CDV will be active as C4N during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W3HNK. Visit the contest station's Web page at: http://www.c-4-n.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Attention Topbanders). Randy, N0TG, informs OPDX that the CY0 Sable Island Dxpedition team will incorporate the famous "Battle Creek Special" antenna for 160 meters as well as 80/40m. This was made possible by the generous loan program coordinated through George, W8UVZ. The team thanks this special group for their support for not only for their CY0 operation, but for the many DXpeditions down through the years. The dates of the DXpedition are October 19-26th. operators are Randy/N0TG, Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN. Visit their Web page at: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

DX BULLETIN READER PROGRAM. An interesting program written by Alex, VE3NEA, called "DX Bulletin Reader 1.0" (for Windows 95/98/ME/NT4/2000/XP) is a tool for viewing, archiving and searching the DX news bulletins. The following publishers/bulletins are currently supported:

Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin DX Newsletter
425 DX News The Daily DX
425 DX Calendar WAP Antarctic Bulletin
ARRL DX Bulletin I.C.P.O. Bulletin
Bulletins not listed above and non-periodical publications can be added as "Other". The software is FREEWARE and is available at: http://www.dxatlas.com/BullRead/

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
7Z1CQ - Saudi Arabia; Current Operation
If anyone had this operation rejected in a DXCC application, send an E-mail to dxcc@... to be placed on the list to have your account updated.

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Nigel, G4KIU, is now active as E51SC from the Island of Rarotonga (OC-013). He has moved to the South Cook Islands and is expected to be on 80-10 meters mainly on SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and with some CW. He was heard this past week on 20 meters PSK31 between 0330-0630z. Direct QSLs are to be sent to: Nigel Peacock, P.O. Box 880, Rarotonga, Cook Islands (via New Zealand). Please send a SAE, plus 2 USDs or 2 new style IRCs. Any direct cards received without the above items will be returned via the Bureau. Bureau QSLs go to: E51SC via G4KIU/RSGB. **IMPORTANT** There is no QSL Bureau in the Cook Islands. Cards without G4KIU on them will NOT be received. Please "DO NOT" send direct cards to any G4KIU address in England - they will NOT arrive. All E51SC contacts will be loaded to LoTW about once a week. He does not use e.QSL at all.

EI09, IRELAND (Special Event). Members of the Galway Radio Experimenters Club are now active using the special event callsign EI09VOR until June 6th. Activity is to celebrate the Volvo Ocean Yacht Race which takes place in Galway, Ireland. Look for both CW and SSB operations. Over the past week activity has been on 30/20/17 meters. Operators will be operating from Mutton Island Lighthouse. QSL via EI8DD. For more info, visit their Web page at: http://www.galwayradio.com

EN50, UKRAINE (Special Event). Members of the Rivne DX Club (UT1KWA) will be active as EN50KSR between June 1st and July 5th. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Rivne speedway. QSL via UT1KY: P.O. Box 85, Rivne, 33027, UKRAINE. Visit their Web page at: http://radio-rivne.rv.ua/?lng=en

FS, ST. MARTIN. John, K9EL, will be here on a family vacation between June 4-12th, and will be operating whenever possible. He will be using an IC7000 and verticals for 80-10 meters and will be operating CW, SSB and RTTY. Please QSL to his home callsign; Bureau cards are "OK". ADDED NOTE: John informs OPDX, "I have already received a few E-mails asking me to try 6m, so I will build a vertical or dipole when I get there and try 6m as well. Next time I'll bring a yagi...."

HF70/SN70/SO70, POLAND (Special Event). Look for members of the Polish Radio Amateur Associated (PZK) to activate the following special event

stations during the 70th anniversary of the beginning of World War II.
The "NO MORE WAR" stations will be on the air during various times between
September 1st and October 6th. The following stations are:
HF70NMW (by SP6ZDA) SN70N (by SP2CA) SO70R (by SP4NDU)
SN70NMW (by SP4JCP/SN4L) SN70O (by SP8NFZ) SO70E (by SP4JAE)
SO70NMW (by SP3ZIR/SN3B/SQJPV) SN70M (by SP9KN) SO70W (by SP5PPK/
SN70R (by SP2YRY/SP2UUU) SQ5NAE)
HF70N (by SP5KDK/SQ7HNT) SN70E (by SP1MWF) SO70A (by SP9YGD)
HF70O (by SP2LQP) SN70W (by SP2LNW)
HF70M (by SP8MI) SN70A (by SP2KMH/SQ2MMS)
HF70R (by SP4ICP)
HF70E (by SP5X) SO70N (by SP2AYC)
HF70W (by SP2KDS/SQ2BXI) SO70O (by SP9KAJ/SP9CLU)
HF70A (by SP5PSL/SP5JXK) SO70M (by SQ9JKD)

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-048. Francois, F5JNE, will be active on Belle-Ile-en-Mer (DIFM
AT-15, WLOTA L-078) between June 16-24th. Activity will be
CW only on 40 and 20 meters, mainly in the evenings. QSL
via F5JNE, direct or by the French REF Bureau.

EU-048. Jean-Pierre, F6ITD, will be active as homecall/p from Belle-Ile
between June 20-28th. Activity will be on the HF bands (no
17/12m) on SSB only. QSL via F6ITD.

EU-064. Operators Pierre/F5AAR and Alain/F5OZC will be active as
homecall/p from Yei Island between June 3-5th. Activity will
be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home
callsigns.

EU-064. The F6KOP team will defend its World IOTA Champion 1st place
title for the 3rd time in this year's RSGB IOTA Contest (July
25-26th) from Noirmoutier Island as Multi-Single/Mixed/24H/
Low-Power entry. Callsign will be TM7C. Operators mentioned
are: Bernard/F9IE, Serge/F6AML, Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Flo/F6CWU,
Pascal/F5JSD and Maurice/F5NQL. Bruno/F5AGB and John's/F5VHQ
participation is pending. QSL Manager is Flo, F5CWU. QSL
either direct or through the French REF-Union Bureau (Please
only this bureau).

EU-090. Operators Wolfgang/OE3WGC and Gert/OE3ZK will be active as
9A/homecall from Palagruza Island (ACIA IC-901, CIA-33, IOCA
CI-084, MIA MC-284) and lighthouse (CLHA CLH-100, ARLHS CRO-012,
TWLHD WLH 9A-046, WLOTA 0057) between May 30th and June 6th.
Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home
callsigns, the Bureau is preferred.

EU-095. Operators Robert/F5HTR and Roger/F5LKW will be active as
homecall/p from Riou Island on June 8th. They will travelling
in a kayak and will be active as QRP on 40 meters. Listen to
7032 kHz. QSL via their home callsigns.

NA-029. Operators Gregg/VE3ZZ and Noel/VE2BR will once again operate from Prince Edward Island (CISA PE-001) on July 15-27th, using the VY2TT superstation. During the IOTA Contest (July 25-26th), they will operate as VY2Z (QSL to VE3ZZ) and outside the contest as VE3ZZ/VY2 and VE2BR/VY2. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or via the Bureau.

NA-129. John, VE8EV, will use the special callsign VC8B for the Banks Island DXpedition, July 24-27th. Operations will be from Sachs Harbour, NT. Activity will be only SSB, mostly on 20 meters which, aurora permitting, should be open round the clock. He will watch for openings on 15 and 10 meters as well. He does not anticipating any problems unless there is a delay for weather, likely fog, which is common that time of year. QSL via VE8EV, direct (SAE and IRC or 2 greenstamps) or by the Bureau. Online QSL requests and a log search will be available after the operation. Look for updates at: http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA

NA-223. (Update/Date Change) Members of the Russian Robinson Club will be active as KL7RRC from Ogliuga Island, Alaska, between June 14-19th. Regular suggested IOTA frequencies (14.040/14260 etc). Operators mentioned are: Yuri/N3QQ and Johnny/KE7V. QSL via: RU/EUROPE - Yuri/UA9OBA and US/JA/SA Dick/N7RO. Watch for updates on: http://www.na-234.com/contact_chuginadak_expedition.html

SA-071. (Update/Change In Callsign) Members of the Sao Paulo Association of Radioamadores (APRE) will be active as PR2R (not PT2T as previously mentioned) from Ilha da Moela (DIB SP-06, DFB SP-07, ARLHS BRA 043, TWLHD WLH PY-031, WLOTA 1335, WW Loc. GG65UW) between June 11-14th. Activity will include operations from blockhouses, islands and lighthouses of the State of Sao Paulo. Operators include Irineu/PY2IAB, Marcelo/PY2OMT, Thiago/PY2TLB, Joao/PY2TI, Claudio/PY3NZ, Felipe/PU2OVA, Filipe/PU2TEA and Thiago/PU2TJQ. Operations will be on 80-2 meters, SSB only. QSL via PY2OP, direct or by the Bureau. For more info, go to: http://www.apre.com.br/moela

K5, UNITED STATES (Update - HF/6m/Grid/LH/USI Op). Just a reminder that the members of the "EL58 Grid Activation Group" will be active as K5N between May 29-31st (1700-1700z). Activity will be from the sandy beach facing the Gulf of Mexico in Grid Square EL58hx, ARLHS USA 1101 under the "Visual Site Rule" and a New USI Island (USI LA105S - Burwood Island, LA) (South West Pass). The operation will be mainly 6 meters and HF. They will have 2 stations on 6m and one on HF using SSB/CW. Operating frequencies on 6m are: 50.100/CW, 50.150/SSB and 50.315 Meteor Scatter. QSL via: Joey Fierro II, 1054 Cajun Ln, Magnolia, MS 39652. Operators mentioned are: Al/WA4EWV, Bill/K5YG, Bob/WN2E, Bruce/N5SIX, Daniel/KE5KDM, Danny/N5OMG and Marshall/K5QE. Visit their Web pages at: http://www.kcvhfgridbandits.com/kc_vhf_grid_bandits_018.htm http://w4abc.com/K5N.html

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND EVENT. The "2009 Museum Ship Weekend Event" is sponsored by the "Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station" and will be held next weekend, between 0000z June 6th, and 2359z June 7th. As this was been typed, some 76 museum ships are participating. For an up-to-date listing of participating museum ships, frequencies and details on a certificate which is available, please visit:
http://www.nj2bb.org/museum/index.html
Activity will be on all HF bands, 80-10 meters, using CW, SSB and PSK31. Some ships will also use Amplitude Modulation (AM) with either their ships original equipment or modern equipment.

NEW AWARD AVAILABLE. Francis, F6FQK, informs OPDX that a new TP2CE Radio Club diploma is now available called: "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club Award". Complete rules and photos are available on:
http://ewwa.free.fr

OH0, ALAND ISLAND (Possibly OJ0). Manuel, CT1BWW (SWL CT0783), will be active as OH0/CT1BWW between July 26th and August 7th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via CT1BWW, direct or by the Bureau. Manuel may be active as OJ0/CT1BWW from Market Reef on August 1st. For more info, visit Manuel's interesting Web page at:
http://www.geocities.com/oh0ct1bww

PA6, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). To celebrate the reopening of a 800 year old church tower (after its renovation) in Noordwijk, look for PA6JEROEN to be active between June 4-14th on HF and VHF. The old church is called "Oude of St Jeroenskerk" (in English: Church of St. George). Actual operations from the church tower will take place on two Fridays, June 5th and 12th. Pictures of this tower can be viewed on:
http://picasaweb.google.nl/jaap.pa7da/OudeOfStJeroenskerkTorenbezoekNoordwijk#
Please QSL only via the Bureau to PA7DA. ADDED NOTE: Jeroen (St. George) was a Monk from Scotland and arrived at the Noordwijk (Nortgho) in 847. In 857, he built a Chapel on the place of this Church and did bring Christianity to the people in the western part of Holland and West Friesland. Later he had been killed by the Normans!

PY2, BRAZIL. Alex, PY2SEX, from Sao Paulo, will be active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/ Low-Power entry. He wil use a 2 element yagi and a FT-950 w/100w. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct (see QRZ.com) or LoTW.

PZ, SURINAME. Mike, AJ9C, will be active from between October 22-29th. His callsign will be announced when it is assigned. He is expected to be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, as well as an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL to his home callsign with SASE/USD(s) for return postage.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
9J2QQV INQUIRY. OPDX has been asked to inquire if anyone knows where Ryuji, JO7QQV, is and if anyone has received their 9J1QQV QSL.

QSL TC098A via OK2GZ (Bureau or direct). Operators OK1MU, OK1DF, OK1FIA and OK1CDJ were active from Karaada Island (AS-098) for 59 hours and

made 11,183 QSOs. More info, photos and an online log are available at:
http://www.okdxf.eu/expedice/tc098a/en/

QSLS VIA LOTW: 9U0A, EY8MM, HL2FDW, KH6ND/KH5, NL7Z, PY0FF, SP4K,
YS1G, ZK2V and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4U1UN, 4V4JR, 5N/LZ1QK, 8Q7HN, 9L1DX, A61Q,
BD7NWF, CS2C, CY9SS, FK/G3MXJ, J88DR, PY0FF, S51CK, SU1SK, SU9BN,
TA1HZ, TS7C, US0KW, VK9N/G3MXJ, VK0BP, VP8/LZ1UQ, YJ0MXJ and Z29KM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3V8SS, 4W6AAV, 6L0NJ/4, 8R1K, 9G5A/P,
A5100A, C91CW, CE3BFZ, CE0Y/LA6IKA, CE0Z/DL2AH, E51WWA, ER3ZW, FJ/SP3IPB,
FJ/SP6IXF, FO/AP2SOI, H44MS, HL0LPM/3, J28JA, MJ/F5CWU, MJ0LON,
MM/DH5JBR/P, OX/G3TXF, P29KN, PJ6/K2KW, T32CXX, TS7C, V31XX, V73PX,
VI5PN, VK9ALH, VP8YLB, YI9RKB, YK9SV and ZD7X

TA7, TURKEY. Operator Berkin, TA3J, will be active as TA3J/7 and TA7KI
from Erzincan City (KM99RS) between May 26th and June 2th. Activity will
be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via TA3YJ,
QSL Service at: http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3yj/qslservice.htm

TC2, TURKEY. Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless
Activity Team) is proud to inform upcoming operations from TC4X. The
Finnish-Turkish Friendship Consortium station operating from Alanya,
Turkey, will be once more on the air during the CQWW WPX CW Contest
(May 30-31st). Operator will be Pertti, OH2PM. QSL via Martti, OH2BH,
as usual.

TK9, CORSICA (EU-014). Members of the DXCiting Team will be active as
TK9X between July 25th and August 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters
using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. Operators mentioned are: YL Silvia/EA1AP,
Alberto/EA1SA, John/EA3GHZ, Raul/EA5KA, Paco/EA5RU and Alicia/EA5EWM.
QSL via EA4URE, direct or by the Bureau. Visit their Web page at:
http://www.dxciting.com/tk9

U.K. TRIP. Bruce, ZL1AAO, informs OPDX that he is going on a "DXing and
nostalgia trip to the UK for ex-GM1KNP". He wants to advise DXers and
friends that he will be touring in the UK during July and August. Bruce
will be using the UK country prefixes followed by his New Zealnd callsign
(e.g. MM/ZL1AAO when in Scotland). He expects to be in Scotland, England
and Wales (as he holidays around) and hope to include some activity from
the Orkney Islands. Activity will be limited to mobile/portable operations
using a FT857D, multi-band vertical or a tuner with long-wire. Mode will
be SSB only. He will produce a special QSL celebrating his activity. Check
QRZ.com for some more details and updates when he has more specific plans.
QSL via his home callsign.

VP9, BERMUDA. Alex, W5YDX, will be active as VP9/W5YDX between June
10-24th. Activity will be holiday style (during his spare time) mainly
on 20 and 17 meters (suggested freqs. between 14140-14265 kHz) using
100 watts into a dipole. QSL via W5YDX.

WORK ALL RADIO ARCALA NETWORK STATIONS AT ONCE. Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following press release on May 22nd (edited): "You now have an opportunity to contact all Radio Arcala network stations at once: OH8X, Finland; CU2X, Azores and TC4X, Turkey. During the May 30-31st, 2009 CQ WPX CW Contest, Pasi, OH6UM, will command OH8X while CU2X will be piloted by Toni, OH2UA, and TC4X by Pertti, OH2PM. All as single operators. You may also hear Martti, OH2BH, active as CU2KG from his new residence in Ribeira Grande, Northern Azores, May 25th through June 1st. Also, new Portuguese regulations will become effective on June 1st, and this is the last run for the CU2X callsign. Resident operators can keep their original CU2 callsigns but special events, such as contests, will be issued with callsigns from the new CR1, CR2 and CQ8 series. All new licenses and/or expired residential licenses in the Azores will be issued the CT8 (1), CS8 (2) and CR8 (3), depending their license category. QSL CU2X and TC4X via OH2BH, OH8X via OH2UA."

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Dean, KJ4GNB, is now active as ZD8DC. His length of stay was not known as this was being typed. Activity so far has been on 20 meters SSB. QSL ZD8DC via KJ4GNB.

ZK2V NIUE OPERATION UPDATE. Chris, ZL1CT/GM3WOJ, provided OPDX with the following operation update: "A quick update from ZK2V - made 6100 QSOs in 9 days, which is a bit disappointing - conditions poor, especially last weekend. Made only 1 QSO on 160m and 2 QSOs on 80m, so concentrating on the higher bands. Openings to Europe are often short with weak signals, which is lowering the QSO rate, but signals from JA and the USA have been strong. Will be on RTTY tomorrow (28th May) for about 30 mins sometime between 0600 and 0800 UTC (14082 approx QSX up 8) - will do more RTTY if things work well. For the first time from Niue, I have a special permit to operate on 60m - from 0000 Niue time (= 1100 UTC) on 1st June 2009 until 0000 Niue time (=1100 UTC) on 8th June. I can transmit *only* on 5403.5 kHz (USB for USA, but CW for rest of world), but will listen on 5371.5 or another channel. The website www.zk2v.com is updated nearly every day - there is an online logsearch and all QSOs are uploaded to LoTW every few days. ZK2V is QRV for 25 more days and hoping for better propagation. QSL direct or via the bureau to N3SL (not ZL1CT)."

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st, 2009)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2009 CQWW WPX CW Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2009.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxcd2009.html (By entity)

Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3G1C Chile SOAB LP CE1KR

3V8SS Tunisia SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via IZ8CCW
3V9A Tunisia SOAB HP YT1AD
4J0K Azerbaijan RW6HS
4L8A Georgia SOSB 20M K1BV; Buro or direct
4L0A Georgia SOAB HP EA7FTR
4K3K Azerbaijan RW6HS
4M5IR Venezuela SOSB 80M YV5KG; QSL via Buro or direct
5B4AII Cyprus M/S RW3RN
5H2WK Tanzania SO DK9IP
8P5A Barbados SOAB HP NN1N
9A800VZ Croatia M/? 9A7A
AH2Y Guam M/S LoTW; Auto Buro; QSL via HL1IWD
AH0AA Mariana Is. SO LP JR2SCJ
AN8R Canary Is. M/M EA8AY
C4I Cyprus M/? LZ2HM
C4N Cyprus M/S W3HNK
CS9L Madeira M/S DJ6QT
CU2X Azores SO OH2BH
E7DX Bosnia & Herzegovina M/S E77E
E21EIC Thailand SO LP E21EIC; JA QSL to JR5XPG
EE2W Spain M/S EB2BXL
EF8M Canary Is. SOAB HP UA3DX
EJ6DX Ireland SOSB 40M RX3RC
ES8/OH6CS Estonia SOSB LoTW
G1A England SOAB HP M0DXR
GJ3WW Jersey SO LP LoTW; QSL direct to G0DEZ
IR1Y Italy M/S IR1Y Direct
IO4T Italy SOAB IZ4JMA
IR4X Italy SO LoTW
IR9Y Sicily M/S IT9ABY
IU9T Sicily SOAB IT9GSF
J48HW Greece HA0HW; HA Buro or direct
KP2B U.S. Virgin Is. SOAB LP EA7FTR
LN3Z Norway M/S LA9VDA
LR2F Argentina M/S LU2FA
LS1D Argentina M/S LW9EOC
LY7A Lithuania M/M LoTW; QSL via LY2ZO
LX7I Luxembourg M/2 LX2A
LZ8E Bulgaria SOAB HP LoTW
LZ9W Bulgaria M/M LZ9W Buro; QSL via LZ1PM direct
M7A England SOSB 40M
NP2SH U.S. Virgin Is. M/2 K9CS
PA6Z Netherlands M/M PA9M
OF200AD Finland SOSB 20M OH5AD
OG5M Finland SOSB 40M OG5M
OG50F Finland SO OH1NOA
OH8X Finland SO OH2UA
OH0EC Aland Is. M/? DL1EKC
OH0Z Aland Is. M/S W0MM
OT5W Belgium SOSB 40M ON4RU

OZ5E Denmark M/2 OZ5E
PQ4F Brazil PY4FQ; Buro or direct
PR1T Brazil M/S PY1ZV
PR5W Brazil SOAB A PY5FB
PT4C Brazil PY4CEL; QSL OK via Buro or direct
RK3K Russia (Europe) M/S RK3QWW
RM3F Russia (Europe) SOAB HP LoTW
RL4R Russia (Europe) SOSB 40M RW4PL
SD40JZ Sweden SOAB LoTW
SV9COL Crete SOAB LP LoTW
TA3KZ Turkey M/S TA3KZ Buro
TA7KI Turkey SOSB 20M TA3YJ
TC4X Turkey SO OH2BH
TI5N Costa Rica M/2 W3HNK
TM6M France M/S F6KHM
UU7J Ukraine M/? UU0JM
UZ2M Ukraine M/S US0LW
VC2A Canada SO VE3NE
VC6X Canada VE6BF; Buro or direct
VE3DZ/VP9 Bermuda SOAB LP VE3DZ
VK6AA Australia SOSB 40M DL8YR
VU2PTT India SO LP VU2PTT
WI4R USA SOSB 160M WI4R
WX3B USA M/? LoTW; via N3YIM, Buro or direct
XU7XXX Cambodia SO LP KC0W Direct
YE1ZAT Indonesia M/S YE1ZAT
YM3A Turkey SOSB 20M LZ1NK
YM3D Turkey SOAB TA3D
YN2GY Nicaragua SOAB LP LoTW; via K9GY Buro or direct
YP6C Romania SOAB YO6VCB
ZW5B Brazil M/M K3IRV

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9944. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-29 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9944

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 29 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 149 Issued at 2200Z on 29 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 28/2100Z
to 29/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred in the
past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (30 May - 1 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 28/2100Z to 29/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (30 May - 1 June).
III. Event Probabilities 30 May-01 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 29 May 068
Predicted 30 May-01 Jun 068/068/069
90 Day Mean 29 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 28 May 005/007
Estimated Afr/Ap 29 May 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 30 May-01 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 30 May-01 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9945. ARLP022 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-29 20:14:38 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4540 Message: 9945

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP022
ARLP022 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP22
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 22 ARLP022
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 29, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP022
ARLP022 Propagation de K7RA

That was a nice string of days showing a sunspot -- May 13-19 -- a whole week. Then it was gone, but a few days later on May 23, another Solar Cycle 24 sunspot emerged, this time in our Sun's southern hemisphere. But it was another of those phantom spots. This one actually emerged, and gave us a sunspot number of 13. For that one day it covered 30 10E-6 hemispheres. (10E-6 or 10 to the minus sixth power is another way of expressing the fraction one-millionth). The next day it was gone.

The area of that spot represented .003 percent of the hemisphere of the Sun that we could see, that which was pointed toward us. Because 10E-6 is one-millionth, then 30 times that would be thirty-millionths (three hundred-thousandths), or .003 percent.

During the seven days with a sunspot, May 13-19, the sunspot numbers were 12, 18, 12, 15, 13, 14 and 11. On those same dates, the sunspot area expressed in millionths of a solar hemisphere was 10, 20, 10, 20, 10, 30 and 10.

See those daily numbers at,
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt.

When we see more activity, these values can be much larger. Note that the sunspot area doesn't track exactly relative to sunspot number. The largest sunspot area was on May 18 and the largest sunspot number was May 14.

Thanks to Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, for the refresher on scientific notation and the function of E.

Conditions have been quiet, with many days showing zeros for planetary K index. The U.S. Air Force and NOAA predict a planetary A index of 5 until June 3-5 when it goes to 12, then 8 for the following two days. Solar flux is predicted at 68 until June 5,

when it goes to 70, then 71 June 6, and 72 for June 7-14. Perhaps we will see sunspots return during this period.

Geophysical Institute Prague has a slightly different view for geomagnetic activity, predicting quiet conditions for May 29 to June 1, quiet to unsettled June 2-3, and active on June 4.

Conditions should be stable for the CQ World Wide WPX CW Contest this weekend. You could be a sought-after multiplier with the right prefix in that contest. Back when I was KT7H I was one of those. K7RA, however, is not.

Days grow longer, and Summer Solstice, the longest day of the year is June 21. The Vernal Equinox was March 19, and it is interesting to compare propagation projections on those dates.

With minimal sunspot activity, from the center of the contiguous 48 states (near the center of Northern Kansas, about a dozen miles south of the Nebraska border between Cora and Lebanon) we can compare propagation predictions for the equinox and solstice. To Japan, in the Spring we might see a 20 meter opening in the late afternoon and evening from 2100-0400z. In Summer, that Japan opening would run much later, beginning around 0500z with signal strength increasing dramatically, and fading out around 1700z.

The 80 meter opening over the same path would be much shorter duration in the Summer, because it needs darkness, and the night is so short on the longest day of the year, more so in northern latitudes. We might see 80 meters open 1030-1130z, but in the spring it runs from 0800-1430z.

>From Los Angeles to Hawaii on those dates, on 20 meters it might be easier to describe when it is least likely to be open. Openings are least likely on March 21 from 0500-1600z, all night. On June 21 the least likely period for a 20 meter opening would be 0600-1530z.

Thanks to Peter Laws, N5UWY of Norman, Oklahoma who points out that the NY Times article referenced in last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP021 at http://tinyurl.com/ps6c4d was not from the nineteenth century, but was published May 17, 1921.

Emory Stephens wrote on May 22 that, "A recent article issued by NOAA stated there are signs that the number of sunspots should increase. You indicated in your posting that is an unknown area. Is NOAA's statement science or are they making a calculated guess?"

I believe it is a guess calculated on average past cycles, and the fact that this minimum has continued so long. So the longer it goes on, the more likely it is to increase soon, by their reasoning.

On May 22, George Thorward, N6CAS of Happy Camp, California wrote about 20 meter activity over the previous week. George said he hears low power mobile stations working Europe while signals from

the Pacific are coming in loud and clear at the same time. He notes that "Europe has been wide open this week" and 10 meters has been open from time to time also. Check out photos of the N6CAS installation at, http://n6cas.tripod.com/n6cas_ham_shack/.

Dave Bennett, VE7YJ of Aldergrove, British Columbia wrote, "I noted the item about KH6XS working in to EU on 15M and just thought I'd add that he's been heard here late evenings on that band recently, 'testing propagation.' Unfortunately, I'm not set up for CW operation, so couldn't respond to his CQ, but did note it on the DX Cluster. That band has also been open to SA, with LU stations well heard, though my pipsqueak signal doesn't seem to go the other way, hi."

John Ragle, W1ZI of Hadley, Massachusetts was another who wrote right after last week's bulletin was released. He writes, "When are bands 'dead' and when are bands 'unoccupied?' Here in Western Massachusetts I keep an eye on 15 meters by switching my PSK rig to the band and looking for traces on the waterfall around 21.070. Today, for example (22 May, 2009), around local noon, there was strong north-south activity, in the case of PS7YL and a few others, resulting in 599 signals. These signals persisted for several hours thru the afternoon. The waterfall also showed many weak traces, too weak for copy, but there none-the-less. Since the PSK is pretty automated, I call CQ with 15 watts and a dipole from time to time from local noon and into the afternoon, as curiosity warrants (and usually without results). I think that the MUF is quite high enough for good contacts via trans-equatorial paths, but that people are simply convinced that the band is 'dead,' and are not paying attention. Perhaps it wouldn't hurt for people who can use weak-signal (i.e. CW and other digital) modes to exercise them once in a while on apparently 'dead' bands." Thanks, John!

Red Haines, WO0W (between the two Ws are the letter O followed by the number zero) has been watching data from ionosondes (instruments that beam radio signals straight up to see the range of frequencies that bounce back). Quite a few ionosondes listed at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/lists/iono_day have been silent of late. The data of interest is in the f0F2 column, the MUF figure. Red writes, "A most interesting observation in the past week is the wild excursions of f0F2 over short periods, less than an hour. I suspect this indicates what McNamara calls 'ionospheric storms,' which create rapidly changing HF propagation, often seen as 'fading.' I refer to:"

"'Radio Amateurs Guide to the Ionosphere,' Leo F. McNamara. Krieger Publishing Company, Malabar, FL, 1994."

"This book bridges the gap between texts and technically inadequate publications. I recommend it highly to amateur operators who wish to know more about propagation."

Thanks for the tip, Red!

Pete Malvasi, W2PM of Ramsey, New Jersey wrote in regard to mention in recent bulletins of large aurora events disrupting the telegraph circuits of yesteryear: "I've read accounts of serious disruption to early telegraph land-lines in several period texts including an extensive chapter in The History, Theory and Practice of the Electric Telegraph by George B Prescott. Reports of office fires and fireball display are all associated with electrical storms however and not the Aurora."

Pete sent a reference to an account of geomagnetic disruption to telegraph cables, which you can find at http://tinyurl.com/mouues.

Pete continued, "Other accounts I've read in early texts describe operating conditions in the mid 19th century to be very similar to working present day CW with fading, static, temporary outages, etc. They used a single wire in those days, with a ground return, and many of the earliest lines did not use good materials for insulators so there was a lot of leakage to ground. Perhaps the single wire circuits also made the lines more susceptible to the Aurora?"

Jon Jones, N0JK is currently using an indoor dipole on 6 meters in Lawrence, Kansas. He writes, "A multi-hop Es opening on 6M to Japan occurred on May 22 from the central USA. I copied JE1BMJ on an indoor dipole. W7CNK EM15 Oklahoma and stations in Colorado and Texas worked a number of stations in Japan via multi-hop Es." Jon sent a list of 16 QSOs copied, mostly between U.S. and foreign stations from 2313-2331z.

And finally, this one was sent by Danny, K7SS concerning an intriguing tale of a possible resurgence of interest in Morse Code, by text-message happy youth in Japan. However, this one gives a moderate to slightly high reading on my baloney-detector, which may be over-sensitized. Read it at http://mhpbooks.com/mobylives/?p=6535 and judge for yourself. Note that users can only send text messages -- not receive -- and must check their email for replies, in addition to learning Morse Code. Can anyone translate that Kanji text? Or is it Katakana?

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for May 21 through 27 were 0, 0, 13, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 1.9. 10.7 cm flux was 71.8, 72.1, 70.4, 69.2, 68.9, 68.1, and 66.7 with a mean of 69.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 5, 4, 4, 3, 4 and 3 with a mean of 4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 4, 3, 4, 1, 2 and 2 with a mean of 2.6.
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9946. Re: I must be dreaming?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-30 20:12:50 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 9910 Message: 9946

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Lunday, WD4ELG" <mlunday@...> wrote:
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> 0500 UTC, 0100 local on the East Coast. 20 meters is WIDE open. I am
> hearing east and west coast US, Middle East, Europe, Australia. I even
> worked my first EY station.
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> Are we REALLY at the bottom of the cycle? I have not heard 20 meters like
> this in a LONG time.

I had the same experience, except I was mobile in the 18-wheeler. I ended up sitting up and playing radio until maybe 2 AM! Heard the Pacific Seafarer's Net on 14.300 -- a net I don't think I ever heard before -- and after they closed the net, I called the net control in Hawaii and was 5/7 -- and a station in Australia broke in and gave me an incredible report, and the whole time I was using a 3-foot mobile antenna!

Oh well, guess that's over now -- the flux is back down to 68.

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Earl
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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

9947. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-30 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9947

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 30 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 150 Issued at 2200Z on 30 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 29/2100Z
to 30/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible disk remained spotless. A
slow-moving CME from the west limb was observed on LASCO C2 imagery
at 29/1530Z.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 29/2100Z to 30/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (31 May - 2 Jun). The
CME observed on 29 May does not appear to be geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 31 May-02 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 30 May 069
Predicted 31 May-02 Jun 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 30 May 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 29 May 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 30 May 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 31 May-02 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 31 May-02 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9948. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-05-31 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9948

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 May 31 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 151 Issued at 2200Z on 31 May 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 31/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. New Region 1019 (N27E41) formed on the
disk and was classified as a Bxo beta spot group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 31/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for 01-02 June. Quiet to unsettled levels, with
isolated active conditions possible at high latitudes, are expected
on 03 June
III. Event Probabilities 01 Jun-03 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 31 May 069
Predicted 01 Jun-03 Jun 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 31 May 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 May 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 31 May 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 01 Jun-03 Jun 005/005-005/005-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 01 Jun-03 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9949. [425ENG] The toplist of June

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-01 04:52:16 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9949 Message: 9949

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Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPLIST
01/06/2009
NR CALL 10 12 15 17 20 30 40 80 160 SSB CW RTTY Tot Date

1 N4WW 335 329 338 335 337 334 337 334 304 338 337 336 3994 17/05/2008
2 OH2BU 334 329 338 337 338 336 337 333 294 338 337 333 3984 15/02/2009
3 OH3SR 334 332 338 337 338 334 337 333 283 338 337 335 3976 21/05/2009
4 W4DR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 335 310 338 337 308 3972 19/06/2008
5 HA0DU 330 330 338 335 338 333 335 330 300 338 337 325 3969 03/01/2009
6 OM3EY 333 330 338 336 337 331 337 332 295 338 337 319 3963 15/03/2009
7 SM0AJU 331 329 336 335 338 331 336 324 278 338 337 336 3949 24/02/2008
8 W7UT 333 327 337 334 338 332 336 327 281 338 337 326 3946 21/03/2009
9 W1JR 331 327 335 334 338 331 335 328 286 338 337 320 3940 18/02/2009
10 UA0MF 334 328 338 333 338 330 334 328 280 338 337 321 3939 29/04/2009
11 OM3PC 326 324 338 335 337 332 334 322 291 338 337 320 3934 24/03/2009
12 I4EAT 330 329 338 335 337 331 337 332 291 338 337 293 3928 29/04/2009
13 DJ2BW 327 325 337 336 338 331 337 310 274 338 337 336 3926 01/05/2008
14 ON7GB 328 330 337 337 338 335 335 314 272 338 337 323 3924 29/03/2009
15 HA8BE 326 325 336 330 336 330 327 322 291 336 336 319 3914 03/01/2008
16 OZ8ABE 328 327 337 337 337 336 333 318 282 338 337 302 3912 25/05/2009
17 N4CC 328 316 334 329 337 329 337 321 253 338 336 334 3892 22/03/2009
18 W3YX 330 326 335 335 337 333 334 321 227 338 337 336 3889 06/04/2009
19 G4BWP 327 320 336 332 338 327 335 307 263 337 337 329 3888 01/09/2008
20 LY2ZZ 313 314 338 331 338 329 334 321 282 338 336 309 3883 28/05/2009
21 EA6NB 322 317 335 331 337 329 337 311 257 338 337 329 3880 22/05/2009
22 W3UR 332 320 336 336 338 333 333 327 287 338 337 253 3870 01/01/2009
23 UA4HBW 328 314 336 329 338 322 329 302 270 338 337 325 3868 28/04/2009
24 DJ2YA 321 315 335 330 337 325 330 304 255 338 337 329 3856 01/03/2009
25 VA3DX 329 317 335 330 337 329 334 301 236 338 337 332 3855 22/02/2008

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9950. [425ENG] The toplist of June

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-01 04:52:49 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9949 Message: 9950

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Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPLIST
01/06/2009
NR CALL 10 12 15 17 20 30 40 80 160 SSB CW RTTY Tot Date

1 N4WW 335 329 338 335 337 334 337 334 304 338 337 336 3994 17/05/2008
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7 SM0AJU 331 329 336 335 338 331 336 324 278 338 337 336 3949 24/02/2008
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9951. Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-01 14:35:58 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9951 Message: 9951

From:

http://www.solarcycle24.com/

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73, Paul VE1DX

9952. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-01 18:41:59 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 9951 Message: 9952

On Mon, Jun 1, 2009 at 11:35 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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a pencil."

We shall see mon ami we shall see. ;-^)

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

9953. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-01 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9953

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 01 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 152 Issued at 2200Z on 01 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 31/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1019 (N28E29)
developed into a Cro beta group with 13 spots and produced a B1
x-ray flare at 01/0807Z.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low, with a slight chance for a C-class flare from Region 1019.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 31/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on 2 June. Quiet to unsettled levels, with
isolated active conditions at high latitudes, are expected on 3-4
June due to a recurrent coronal hole.
III. Event Probabilities 02 Jun-04 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 Jun 073
Predicted 02 Jun-04 Jun 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 01 Jun 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 31 May 003/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 Jun 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 Jun-04 Jun 005/005-007/008-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 Jun-04 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/15/15
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9954. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-01 22:54:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9951 Message: 9954

At 03:41 PM 6/1/2009, you wrote:

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>a pencil."
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>We shall see mon ami we shall see. ;-^)
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>73
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>Geoff
>VE1GW

Well, Geoff, indeed it is not likely to be a repeat of one of
the massive cycles of 3-4 decades ago, but if you read that automated
forecast I sent out an hour ago, it read it part:

"Observed 01 Jun 073
Predicted 02 Jun-04 Jun 075/075/075"

One data point is just that, one data point. However, we
haven't seen that is a long time. Be a believer. The Great Days of
DXing are at hand. The signs are everywhere! DX IS!

73, Paul VE1DX

9955. RE: [DX-IS] Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-01 22:57:34 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 9951 Message: 9955

I worked with a group of Solar Physicists back in the 70's.

From what I could glean, they talked a lot but when it came

to predictions, they tossed a coin most of the time.

I was not impressed.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: list_dx@...
> Date: Mon, 1 Jun 2009 19:54:54 -0300
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Maybe!
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> At 03:41 PM 6/1/2009, you wrote:
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9956. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-02 02:22:54 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 9951 Message: 9956

.....And I just took my 160/80 mtr antenna down for summer "tweeking"..

Twenty mtrs has seemed to awaken overnite. Working EU well into the nite.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2009 10:35:58 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Maybe!

From:

http://www.solarcycle24.com/

"Update: Sunspot 1019 which continues to show some growth now poses a
threat for B-Class solar flares. A small B1.1 mini flare too place at
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73, Paul VE1DX

9957. Re: Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-02 13:38:48 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9951 Message: 9957

A watched pot never boils!

Geez! It is what it is. Do the best you can with what we have available. Marsha (N4BU) worked 9M6 this morning on 20M SSB.

There is "stuff" to be had - but certainly not 24 hours a day. You are going to worry yourself into an early grave - and miss the next cycle after this one!

Art - N4PJ

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9958. Re: Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-02 13:43:41 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9951 Message: 9958

In 1859 there was a solar event now described as a "Carrington event," so named after the astronomer who witnessed it. Telegraphy existed and power transmission, such as it was, was in its infancy. Yet the infrastructure world wide suffered from fires generated from the sun's interference to what little infrastructure existed at that time.

Experts say that (a) these event apparently happen roughly once every 500 years and (b) should one happen now, in the age of satellites and huge power grids that it would make the effect of Hurrican Katrina pale.

Today a Carrington event would most likely melt transformers in the power grids. Melted transformsers cannot be repaired, only replaced. Electricity generation to many areas would stop, possibly for many months.

Gloom and doom? I still want my sunspots!

Art - N4PJ

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9959. Re: Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-02 13:51:55 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9951 Message: 9959

The statistical models used to generate these forecasts are incredibly complex. In statistical modeling, there is a term known as heteroskedasticity (not sure of the spelling). In laymen's terms, it means the data jumps around like crazy and it's difficult (if possible) to discern a predictable pattern.

The sunspot data is "double smoothed" to "iron out" the variability in the data. But, for the other factors involved in attempting to predict the sun's activity, there are a host of variables and arguments as to why many of them should or should not be included. And that's not to mention the arguments about the value of each of those variables.

Oh yeah. One more thing. This is the same technique used to model global warming. You remember global warming? Those forecasters are the ones who show us how fast the polar caps are melting and now can't explain several increasingly thick ice packs in the Arctic.

If we can't generate more sunspots, maybe we can generate more hams!
A few million more hams blasting the airwaves might produce some more DX!

Art - N4PJ

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> > From: list_dx@...
> > Date: Mon, 1 Jun 2009 19:54:54 -0300
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Maybe!
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9960. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-02 19:36:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9951 Message: 9960

At 10:51 AM 6/2/2009, you wrote:
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>incredibly complex. In statistical modeling, there is a term known
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The way I saw the gurus do it was to take historical data and
put it through their models to predict what happened a year or two
ago. They call that a "hindcast." They tweak the algorithms and
coefficients until the historical data correctly "predicted" what
happened a year or two ago.

This is used to argue present data will accurately forecast
using the same algorithms and coefficients. I don't know if this has
any merit. but it's the main way I observed oceanographic and climate
models being developed. Perhaps NOAA and NASA do it differently when
it comes to solar cycle prediction.

However you slice and dice it, predicting the future (a/k/a
fortune telling) is an inexact science. Be it weather, climate
change, solar activity, the stock market or anything else, people
want forecasts. The trouble is, they take them as gospel.

73, Paul VE1DX

9961. Icons

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-02 20:32:45 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9961 Message: 9961

Tnx guys - this discussion over desktop icons jinxed my computer. I just came in and turned the monitor on and found all the icons on the left side of the screen. First time in over four years.....

Rene

9962. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-02 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9962

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 02 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
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V. Geomagnetic A Indices
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9963. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 06:35:59 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9951 Message: 9963

Worked TR8CA and TY5ZR on 20m last Monday (Sunday USA time) Also TR8CJV was on frequency but couldn't hear him.

All of these stations are residents in their prospective countries.

I guess though they are not as rare as a 9M6 for you guys.

5H2WK also active on 20m CW.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art Burke
Sent: Tuesday, 2 June 2009 9:39 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Maybe!

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Art - N4PJ

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9964. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Maybe!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 13:17:07 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 9951 Message: 9964

On Wed, Jun 3, 2009 at 3:35 AM, Lance Martin
<lance.martin@....au> wrote:
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Well, I may have to at least put the eraser down on the desk.

While not esoteric by any means, I worked C6AMS on 20m lst night. What
was esoteric, was the time of day, 0300Z!! The band was still open at
midnight here, I haven't seen that since I got back into the fray
about a year ago. Maybe there is something to all the prognostications
after all ;-^).

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

9965. Internet Explorer 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 14:59:10 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9965 Message: 9965

Last nite my auto-update wanted to download IE8 but I clicked Don't Install
Does anyone have or use Internet Explorer 8? If so, comments please.

73 de Rene

9966. [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 15:11:16 UTC
From: k0bx@arrl.net
Topic: 9965 Message: 9966

I am using IE8 for pass couple of months. I am running MS VISTA.

No problems. It is just a browser. There are other browsers that are either just as good or better like FireFox.

Joe K0BX

Stop the insanity!
Please do not add me to any distribution lists (Joke, Stories or Junk) without my permission.

--- On Wed, 6/3/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

9967. Re: [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 15:24:02 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9965 Message: 9967

I'm running IE8 on my notebook, not this computer [for the radidio], It seems almost the same as IE7. Maybe a little faster download of large files ... but with a 2009 machine [notebook] versus a 2005 machine [radidio] who can tell?

DD, W1MCE
----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX ; DXlab
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 10:59 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

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9968. Re: [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 15:23:07 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 9965 Message: 9968

Rene,

I have it installed and it works fine. It had one intrusive program which popped up when I turned on the computer wanting me to defrag the disk.

Microsoft XP said I didn't need to defrag, so I just deleted this little program and all continues to go well.

Good luck

Don K5AQ

9969. Re: [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 15:31:06 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 9965 Message: 9969

Hi Rene,

I'm not a big user of IE as I use Firefox as my primary browser. However, Version 8 is installed on 4 machines here and have not had any problems with the install or operations. I do keep it current as some of the MS sites don't play well with other browsers.

Whether it will benefit you is a whole other issue but I don't know of any problems it might cause you.

73,
Bob
K2TK

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9970. Re: [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 15:37:37 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 9965 Message: 9970

Yeah, use firefox! IE sucks... firefox is way faster. 73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX ; DXlab
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 9:59 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

Last nite my auto-update wanted to download IE8 but I clicked Don't Install
Does anyone have or use Internet Explorer 8? If so, comments please.

73 de Rene

9971. Re: [DX-IS] Internet Explorer 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 15:50:52 UTC
From: Dick Williams
Topic: 9965 Message: 9971

Rene,

I have "8" installed on three computers (two desktops and one laptop) and I have not had any issues or problems with it at all. Has a couple of new features that may or may not be of interest; but I don't know as I can say that it is much different than the old one.

Dick K8ZTT
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Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 8:59 AM
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9972. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-03 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9972

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 03 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 154 Issued at 2200Z on 03 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 02/2100Z
to 03/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Three low-level B-class
flares occurred during the past 24 hours. Region 1019 (N26E03)
continues to have a few sunspots, but is a simple B-type group and
was stable and quiet during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 02/2100Z to 03/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled for the first day (4 June) due to
possible effects from recurrent activity. Conditions are expected to
be quiet for the second and third days (5-6 June).
III. Event Probabilities 04 Jun-06 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 03 Jun 073
Predicted 04 Jun-06 Jun 073/073/073
90 Day Mean 03 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 02 Jun 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 03 Jun 007/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 04 Jun-06 Jun 007/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 04 Jun-06 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/10/10
Minor storm 05/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9973. Comments re IE 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 02:38:35 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9973 Message: 9973

Thanks so much to the dozen or so comments regarding Internet Explorer 8 and only two negative comments. I'll let the auto-update install #8. When I went from 6 to 7 my customized toolbar with frequently used websites went away.

Tnx agn
73 de Rene

9974. Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 03:49:30 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 9973 Message: 9974

On Wed, Jun 3, 2009 at 11:38 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:
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> only two negative comments. I'll let the auto-update install #8. When I
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> away.
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> Tnx agn
> 73 de Rene
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For some reason I found it slowed my computer down when browsing.
Pages were slow to load and there was a long pause after the page
downloaded and before the browser displayed them. It was especially
slow when opening a blank tab. I wnet back to IE7 and that all went
away.

YMMV as they say :-^)

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

9975. Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 04:23:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 9973 Message: 9975

I upgraded to IE7 at one time and had lots of trouble getting the DX summit website to work on it (I think that was before they changed the summit program). I went back to IE6 and it worked fine. I am still using IE6, just can't get used to the tab thingy on the later versions.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 6/3/09, Geoff Wilson <ve1gw.sydney@...> wrote:

From: Geoff Wilson <ve1gw.sydney@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2009, 10:49 PM

On Wed, Jun 3, 2009 at 11:38 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@theunion. net> wrote:
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9976. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 14:06:05 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 9976

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (May 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in May, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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9977. Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 14:53:19 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9973 Message: 9977

When I downloaded IE8 all my favorites, filters, settings, etc., from IE7 were automatically rolled into the new version. It asked me if I wanted to change my emailserver ... NOPE!! I'm happy with what I've got!

IE8 does want you to set up some browsing priorities. I have not done so. I have it installed but I'm still in the IE7 mentality. It is transparent to IE7.
----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX ; DXlab
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 10:38 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

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Tnx agn
73 de Rene

9978. Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 14:54:25 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9973 Message: 9978

It is a big program!!!!

Rene, it will take a L O N G time to download if you're not on broadband or equivalent.

----- Original Message -----
From: Geoff Wilson
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 11:49 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

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Geoff
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9979. Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 15:29:23 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9973 Message: 9979

Tnx DD,
Yup - but it can download while I go on vacation .... ..
Try downloading DXV's USAP, which I've done at least three time which is 42.7 MB. Once it crashed halfway through.

73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, June 04, 2009 7:54 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Comments re IE 8

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Rene, it will take a L O N G time to download if you're not on broadband or equivalent.

9980. Poor log keeping

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 18:32:05 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9980 Message: 9980

About 6 months ago I worked a station in the Pacific. Semi-rare and new for me on 75M. I'm still half-heartily trying to negotiate a QSL, so I don't want to ID the operation. I worked him within 5 minutes of another call I recognised. This was a good as it gets, he was an honest 55 and everything he said was crystal clear. I sent for a card and it came back NIL. I was really surprised, because this was no marginal QSO. I emailed the other guy and asked him if he got his card, because I heard his QSO and it was clean. He told me he got a NIL too so we decided it had to be a pirate.

My buddy (lives 1000 miles away and I never met him, but a buddy nonetheless!) wasn't satisfied and emailed the operator. He got back a scan or photocopy of the lousiest logs I ever saw full of partial calls with ?? after them, some with lines through them, some that couldn't be Ham calls (as in no number VEABC things, etc.) and no time or date on the two pages sent. He had written my friend's call in between a couple of others (it was obvious as it was squished in and with a thinner inked pen.) He included a card and the explanation that he must have missed putting it into the computer when he got home.

I figured if it worked for one it ought to work for another, so I sent an email asking him to double check my QSO. He came back saying he definitely was on the air then and working east coast NA, but I was NIL. Period.

OK, I can accept NIL. But why would someone go on a DXpedition (a small one person one) to a semi-rare place and keep really sloppy logs, so bad he couldn't tell who he worked, and then be strict on bouncing guys? Not in the log means not in the log, and I am about ready to give up emailing. Had I not seen the hen scratches, obvious mistakes and after the fact changes, I wouldn't care.

It seems weird to go to all the trouble of putting an obscure place on the air and to keep such sloppy logs you can't make sense of them yourself a week later. Even weirder to send a photocopy of this to anyone! That is my point. Oh well. Another one will come along.

73, Paul VE1DX

9981. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-04 22:11:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9981

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 04 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 155 Issued at 2200Z on 04 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 03/2100Z
to 04/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. There were three low level
B-class flares during the past 24 hours. Region 1019 (N24W10)
continues to be the only spotted region on the disk and was quiet
and stable.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 03/2100Z to 04/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet during the past 24 hours.
There was one unsettled period from 0300-0600Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (5-7 June).
III. Event Probabilities 05 Jun-07 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 Jun 071
Predicted 05 Jun-07 Jun 071/071/071
90 Day Mean 04 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 Jun 004/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 04 Jun 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 05 Jun-07 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 05 Jun-07 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 05/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9982. ARLD022 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-05 12:36:56 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4524 Message: 9982

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ARLD022 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 22 ARLD022
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 4, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD022
ARLD022 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, PF4T, PY2WAS, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

LESOTHO, 7P. Alexander, UX4UL and Ivan, UR9IDX are QRV as 7P8A and 7P8R, respectively, until June 10. Activity is on all bands. QSL 7P8A via UY5ZZ and 7P8R via UR9IDX.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Tom, PF4T will be QRV as 8Q7TB Embudu Island, IOTA AS-013, from June 8 to 24. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using SSB. QSL direct to home call.

BAHAMAS, C6. A group of operators are QRV as C6AMS from Nassau on New Providence, IOTA NA-001, until June 14. This includes possible activity from Lighthouse WLOTA LH-1115. QSL direct to NA6M.

ANGOLA, D2. Vasiliy is QRV as D2QMN and has been active using RTTY on 20 meters around 2000z. QSL via RZ3EC.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Nigel, G4KIU now lives in Rarotonga, IOTA OC-013, and is QRV as E51SC. He is active on 80 to 10 meters using SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and some CW. QSL to home call.

IRELAND, EI. Members of the Galway Radio Experimenters Club are QRV as EI09VOR until June 6 in celebration of the Volvo Ocean Yacht Race which takes place in Galway. Activity is on 30, 20 and 17 meters using CW and SSB. Activity is from the Mutton Island Lighthouse, ARLHS IRE-107. QSL via EI8DD.

FRANCE, F. In commemoration of the 65th anniversary of the ''D-Day landings'' in Normandy special event station F/ON6JUN/p is QRV from Ranville until June 8. In addition, special event station TM6SME is QRV from Emondeville until June 14. QSL via operators'

instructions.

SAINT MARTIN, FS. John, K9EL is QRV as FS/home call until June 12 while on vacation. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY in his spare time, QSL to home call.

ITALY, I. To commemorate 100 years of the Nobel Prize for Physics of Guglielmo Marconi, Alfredo, IK7JWX is QRV as IY7NGM and IY7NGM/p until the end of 2009. Activity is on all HF bands and 6 meters using all modes. QSL via IK7JWX.

SVALBARD, JW. Jan, OK1JK, Jiri, OK1JST, Pavel, OK1IPS and Jiri, OK1IEC are QRV as JW/homecalls from Longyearbyen, IOTA EU-026, until June 15. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home calls.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PA6JEROEN is QRV until June 14 in celebration of the 800-year-old bell tower of St. Jeroenskerk in Noordwijk. QSL via PA7DA.

FERNANDO de NORONHA, PY0F. A group of operators will be QRV as ZY0F from June 10 to 15. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters, including 60 meters, using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via PY2WAS.

DODECANESE ISLANDS, SV5. A group of operators will be QRV as SX5LA from Levitha Island, IOTA EU-001, from June 8 to 14. QSL via SV1GRM.

BERMUDA ISLANDS, VP9. Alex, W5YDX will be QRV as VP9/home call from Hamilton Parish from June 10 to 24. Activity is holiday style generally on 20 and 17 meters. QSL to home call.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. Dean, KJ4GNB is QRV as ZD8DC and has been active on 20 meter using SSB. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The SEANET Contest, NCCC CW Sprint Ladder, Digital Pentathlon, Wake-Up. QRP Sprint, DigiFest, VK Shires Contest, UKSMG Summer 6-Meter Contest, RSGB National CW Field Day, IARU Region 1 CW Field Day, Alabama QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint and RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship are scheduled for June 10. Please see June QST, page 80 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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9983. [425ENG] 425 DX News #944

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-05 16:36:00 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 9983 Message: 9983

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

7P - Alex, UX4UL (7P8A) and Ivan, UR9IDX (7P8R) are active from Lesotho until around 10-15 June. QSL 7P8A via UY5ZZ, QSL 7P8R via UR9IDX. [TNX
7X - Mike, DB1JAW will be in Algeria on 13-20 June. He will be one of the operators at 7U2ISM [425DXN 943], but he will also operate as 7X/DB1JAW from Algerian Sahara. He plans to concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres BPSK31, with activity also on 40 metres (7070.15 for US stations) as well as some SSB on 10, 15, 17 and 20 metres. QSL direct only via home call. [TNX DB1JAW]
8Q - Tom, PF4T will be active as 8Q7TB from Embudu, Maldives (AS-013) on 8-24 June. He will operate SSB on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via home call (direct) or via PA0LEY (bureau). A log search will be available at http://8q7tb.pf4t.nl [TNX W1AW]
CT - Nuno, CT2FPE will be active again as CT2FPE/p from Barreta Island (EU-145) on 13 June for the Portugal Day Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
DL - Look for Gerd, DK8NT/p and Horst, DL8NBM/p to be active from Helgoland-Duene (EU-127, N-15 for the German Islands Award) on 11-17 June. They plan to operate mainly CW, with some SSB and PSK, running 100 watts into simple wire antennas: a triple leg for 30m and up, a 40/80m double dipole for Europe, and a 40m (and maybe 80m) vertical for DX. QSl via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DK8NT]
H4 - Mike, KM9D (H44MY) and Jan, KF4TUG (H44TO) are now active from Stirling Island (OC-162), Solomon Islands. They expect to remain there for about ten days. QSL via OM2SA. [TNX The Daily DX]
HK0_sa - 5J0BV (not 5J0M, as previously announced) will be the callsign to be used by Dennis, K7BV from San Andres (NA-033). The new dates are 18-29 June, and the new QSL route is via K7BV (direct). Dennis will concentrate on 6 metres, but he may also be QRV on the HF bands. Further information at http://www.qth.com/k7bv/caribe2009 [TNX K7BV]
I - Alfredo, IK7JWX reports he will be active on the HF bands and 6

metres as IY7NGM until 31 December. The special callsign
celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs
awarded to Guglielmo Marconi. QSL via IK7JWX.
I - Special event station II0IASM will be active on the HF bands CW
and SSB from Civitavecchia (Rome) on 9-10 June to celebrate the
first hoisting of the naval ensign on aircraft carrier "Cavour".
QSL via IK8XVA, direct or bureau. [TNX IT9MRM]
PY - PR2R is the new callsign that will be used on 11-14 June from Ilha
da Moela (SA-071) [425DXN 939]. Announced frequencies are 3505,
7005, 14025, 21025, 24895, 28025, 50115 and 144110 kHz (CW); 3799,
7065, 14195, 21295, 24945, 28495, 50115 and 144210 kHz (SSB). QSL
via PY2OP, direct or bureau. The web page for the operation is at
http://www.apre.com.br/moela
SP - Celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the SP DX Club, special event
station SP50DXC is active on all bands and modes until 30 June.
The operators are SP7ASZ, SP7CVW, SP7IIT, SP7LFT and SP7TF.
SP50DXC will be active again at the end of September during the
annual meeting of the SP DX Club. QSL via SP7DQR. All QSOs will be
uploaded to LoTW. [TNX SP5UAF]
SP - Radio Club SP8YZZ is planning a number of special event operations
from Polish National Parks under the callsign 3Z8WFF. The first
activity will take place from the Bieszczadzki Park Narodowy on
11-14 June, including participation in the WFF Green Days event
(see below). The operators will be Wilhelm, SP8AJC and Henryk,
SP9JPA. QSL via SP8AJC, direct or bureau. [TNX SP9JPA]
SV5 - Teo, SV1GRM will be active as SX5LA from Levitha Island, Dodecanese
(EU-001) on 8-14 June. Look for activity on 40, 30, 20 and 17
metres CW and SSB. QSL via SV1GRM. [TNX SV1GRM]
UR - Special callsign EM0WFF will be used by members of Radio Club
UR4WWE from Roztochchia Nature Reserve on 12-14 June, including
participation in the WFF Green Days event. QSL via UT7WZ, direct
or bureau. Information on the "W-UR-FF" Award can be found at
http://www.islands.org.ua/wurff/index_e.html [TNX UT7WZ]
VP2M - John, KB4CRT will be active as VP2MRT from Montserrat (NA-103) on
11-21 June. He plans to operate CW, SSB and maybe PSK and to
participate in the ARRL VHF Contest (13-14 June). QSL via KB4CRT.
[TNX The Daily DX]
VP9 - Alex, W5YDX will be active holiday style as VP9/W5YDX from Bermuda
(NA-005) on 10-24 June. He expects to operate mainly on 20 and 17
metres SSB. QSL via home call (direct only). [TNX W5YDX]
VP9 - Doug, KF4VTT will be active as VP9/KF4VTT from Bermuda on 11-17
June. He will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 160-6 metres. QSL
via home call (direct or bureau) and LoTW. [TNX KF4VTT]
W - Rick, N5EYT will be active from Hatteras Island (NA-067) on 7-15
June. He will be operating only PSK31 on 20 metres. QSL via home
call, direct or bureau, plus LoTW. [TNX N5EYT]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****

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Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (May 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

ANTARCTICA ---> A nice collection of images for a large number of Antarctic bases, including those where F5PFP and ON7ZM operated from in February-March (FT5YJ, VP8DLM and CE9XX), canbe found at http://www.french-polar-team.fr/ (click on "Antarctic Challenge" and then on "Antarctic stations, huts & refuges". [TNX F5PFP]

CORSICA ---> Maurice, F5NQL reminds all foreign amateur radio operators heading to Corsica that (a) the use of 6 metres is strictly forbidden over there and (b) the 7100-7200 extension on 40m has not been granted so far.

DXCC NEWS ---> HZ1EA (Saudi Arabia) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have had this operation rejected in a recent submission, please send a note to dxcc@... to be placed on the list for an update. Also, once completed, if you have an account in LoTW, the update will be posted to your account. [TNX NC1L]

K5D QSL STATUS ---> Bob Schenck, N2OO and his team have finished OQRS requests received through about 4 May. OQRS QSL processing will be resumed shortly, and the system continues to be available for QSL requests.
The team is now focusing on the direct mail in the same order as the mail was received. Bob continues to do the log processing after which the QSLs will be mailed gradually by members of his QSL processing team. As of 2 June they have confirmed 26,353 QSOs, and "it will surely be a few months before we can become current".
The first large batch on CONFIRMED QSOs ONLY will be uploaded to LoTW within the next week: "by only uploading confirmed QSOs (in batches)", Bob says, "we think that this is a fair compromise that is a win/win for everyone involved". The balance of the full log will be uploaded in early 2010.
For the time being, please do not contact the QSL manager about QSL issues, but visit www.k5d.us for current QSL status. Bob will be happy to address any concerned "when things calm down". [TNX N2OO]

LOGS ---> A log serach for the 23-30 May TM0M activity from Molene Island (EU-065) can be found at http://users.belgacom.net/cdxg/ [TNX ON4ZD]

PHOTO GALLERY ---> The Dayton Hamvention 2009 Photo Gallery (292 pictures collected by Tom, K8CX) can be found at http://hamgallery.com/dayton2009/ [TNX K8CX]

PORTUGAL DAY CONTEST ---> Sponsored by the Rede dos Emissores Portugueses (REP), this 24-hour event will be held on 13 June on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB and CW. Details can be found on the REP's web site at http://rep.pt/geeklog/article.php?story=20090203150742367 [TNX CT1END]

QSL VIA W5UE ---> Randy Becnel, W5UE [425DXN 941] is the new QSL manager for 9V1YC, 9V9HQ and N1YC/VK9X. After many years of excellent service as James' QSL manager, Joe/N5ID is handing over duties to Randy in order to recuperate after an extended illness in hospital. W5UE has all the logs, blank cards and pending QSL requests for all James' callsigns, so feel free to check his website (http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue.html) for periodic updates and status of QSL requests.
Randy will also honour any requests that may be needed in the future for the following old calls held by James: 9V0YC, 9V8YC, KB1CM/VR2, KB1CM/VS6, KB1CM/ZS, KH8/KB1CM, VR2/KB1CM and VS6/KB1CM. However, all of these logs are on paper only and will require extra processing time, and Randy will probably have to manually print cards as well. [TNX W5UE]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

VK4FRAJ ---> This is neither a pirate, nor 'a commercial station', but properly licensed Raj DeYoung, the 14-year-old son of Eddie DeYoung, VK4AN. "There is still much reluctance and confusion amongst contesters regarding VK 4-letter suffix calls", Eddie says. "My son is probably the only VK with a 4-letter suffix that operates on CW, and is VERY frustrated when contesters keep asking if his call is 2-letters or 3-letters".
Australian four-letter suffix callsigns have been issued to Foundation Lincence holders since 2005. They can only use commercially manufactured equipment and are allowed to operate SSB, AM, FM or "hand keyed" CW on 80, 40, 15, 10 and 2 metres, plus 430-450 MHz, with power restrictions. All Foundation class suffixes begin with an "F" plus three more letters. [TNX W1AW]

WFF GREEN DAYS ---> More than 50 stations from various countries are expected to take part in "Green Days" event organized by the World Flora Fauna programme, which will be held from 00.00 UTC on 13 June through 23.59 UTC on the 14th. Complete information can be found at http://wff44.com/en/contest/ [TNX RW3GW/3]

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3V8SS IZ8CCW EW6AF DL8KAC R4/UT5UDX UT2UB
3V9A YT1AD F/ON6JUN/P ON5SD RA9A UA9APA
3W3W OK1DOT F/PA65DDAY PA0HFT RC3W RW3WWW

3Z0DAL SP7PGK FK/G4JVG M0URX RC9O UA9PC
3Z28FPH SP5ZGO FR1AN NI5DX RG6G RW6HX
3Z80BEM SP9ZBC G1A M0DXR RG9A UA9XC
4J9M DL7EDH G6PZ GM4FDM RK3K RK3QWW
4K9W DL6KVA GB6GEO G3VOF RL4R RW4PL
4L0A EA7FTR GJ3WW G0DEZ RM3F UA3DPX
4L6QC LZ1OT GM0F M0CMK RO4W RD4WA
4L8A K1BV GX4KPT M0DOL RT4D RZ4CWW
4L9VB DJ8QP H44MY OM2SA RT4M RN4LP
4M5IR YV5KG HC2A EA5KB RU1A RU1AE
4O2D YU2DRA HC2SL EA5KB S21RC EB7DX
4X0A 4X1VF HC7AE EA7FTR SD1B/7 DL8AAV
4X1FQ AA4V HF94KE SP4YPB SD40JZ SM5DJZ
4Z8BB WC1X HG3R HA3NU SK3W SM5DJZ
5B4AII RW3RN HG4F HA4FF SN6Z SP6RZ
5H2WK DK9IP HG6N HA6KNB SN8R SP8ONZ
5H3EE DL4SM HG7DANUBE HA7VY SN9D SP9PZD
5R8FU SM5DJZ HG7T HA7TM SO8A SP8YB
5Z4KI YO9AFH HG8R HA8JV SO9S SP9PRO
6W1SE JR2KDN HH2HN OE7NHT SP80SPOZ SP9PKZ
6W1SJ E73Y HK1N EA5KB SP80SPST SP9PKZ
7P8A UY5ZZ HK1NK EA5KB SV0XBM/9 W3HNK
7P8R UR9IDX HK1X EA7FTR SX9JZ N7RO
8P5A NN1N HQ2R UA3AGW SY2DDAY SV2KBB
8P9JG NN1N II5RM IZ5DMC TA3J/7 TA3YJ
8Q7CQ G4DFI II6AN IK6VXO TA4ZA OH2BH
8Q7GP IW3HVB IL7G IW7EBE TA7KI TA3YJ
8Q7UO DL5UO IO3J IV3ZXQ TC4X OH2BH
9A4MX DJ2MX IO4T IZ4JMA TI5N W3HNK
9A800VZ 9A7A IR1Y IK1YDB TM0M F6ANA
9G1YE PA3ERA IR4X I4EAT TM0R F5GGL
9H3UT DL9GDB IR9Y IT9ABY TM100C F1RR
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9J2YO YO4ATW IY1DCI IK1GPG TM5ACL F8KOI
9M1CSP 9M2TO IY3GM IW3RUA TM5BBC F2UW
9M6XRO M0URX IY3MG IZ3DBA TM5RPC F8KGS
A35RK/p W7TSQ J28JA F5JFU TM6ACO F6KFI
A61AQ N1DG J48HW HA0HW TM6SME F6IPS
A61I IZ8CLM K5N W5TFW TN5SN IZ1BZV
A62A IZ8CLM KH6MB AI4U U4MIR RN3DK
A65BE G3XHZ KH6YR K1YR UE1RLH/6 RA1QY
A71BU NI5DX KL7Z W7IAN UE3VFF UA3VFS
A73A EA7FTR KP2B EA7FTR UE6FFF/6 RK6FZ
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AH2Y HL1IWD LA6Q LA9VDA UE80MC UA9MC
AN8R EA8AY LM9K75Y LA9K UE80MD UA9MD
AO3T EA3AKY LN3Z LA9VDA UE80MT RA9MC
AO7T EA7KJ LP1H EA5KB UN9LFF LZ1YE
B1Z EA7FTR LR2F LU2FA UO1P UN7PCZ
BV2009WGK BV7GC LS1D LW9EOC UP0L DL8KAC

C31CT EA3QS LX7I LX2A UP2L UA9AB
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C4N W3HNK LY6A LY2BM UP6P UN7PBY
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C6AMS NA6M LZ55KSP LZ1JZ UZ2M US0LW
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CN3A I2WIJ LZ8E LZ2BE VK6AA DL8YR
CO7WT N2CQ LZ9W LZ1PM VP2ETN JN1RVS
CS6A CT1GFK M2X M3ZYZ W9UK/KP2 K9CS
CS8GEO CT1REP M6T G4PIQ WH2D K3UOC
CS9L DJ6QT M7A M0NRC XE50C XE1J
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CU2KI OH2UA NP2SH K9CS YB3ASM JH7NTJ
CU2X OH2BH OA4SS KB6J YI9MIX N9MIX
CU3HQ EA3GHZ OE100TMW OE1XIC YJ0SS JA7SGV
D2QMN RZ3EC OF200AD OH5AD YL5T YL3DQ
DD0D DK5AN OG0R OH2PM YL7X YL2LY
DK0GEO DK5AN OG1M OH1VR YL9T YL2TW
DP3D DK3KD OG4X OH1MA YM3A LZ1NK
DQ4W DK9TN OG5M OH5XT YM3D TA3D
DR09ANT DL5MHQ OG6A OH6QU YN2GY K9GY
DR09NRW DK4DS OG6N OH6NIO YN2N TI2OHL
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DR775TMG DJ8QP OH0Z W0MM YP2GEO YO2KAR
DR800GRZ DL1ARJ OK4N OK1DNJ YP6C YO6VCB
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E73W E73Y OK7Y OK1FDY YQ6A YO6BHN
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EE2W EB2BXL OL1A OK1DF YR8A YO8AXP
EF3A EA3KU OL25LP OK2FB YR8V YO8CT
EF7R EA7AJR OL3Z OK1HMP YR9P YO9HP
EF8M UA3DX OL7C OK1KVK YW4D EA7JX
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EH1MDC EA1WS OP4F ON4AEF Z36A DJ0LZ
EI09VOR EI8DD OP4K ON4JZ ZB2FX G3RFX
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EK6LX W3HNK PA6Z PA9M ZK2V N3SL
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It is so great to see some real Cycle 24 sunspot activity this week. Instead of a phantom that pops into view one day and is gone the next, we have sunspot 1019, which has persisted for five days, so far. Emerging on Sunday, May 31, the resulting daily sunspot numbers through June 4 are 15, 23, 19, 17 and 17. This is a Cycle 24 spot, and at high latitude too, which is an indication of a new cycle spot.

Meanwhile, the low solar wind and quiet geomagnetic conditions continue. Currently spot 1019 is about to fade, although it is still a few days away from crossing the eastern limb to the far side. NOAA and the US Air Force expect geomagnetic conditions to continue to be quiet, and a planetary A index around five is predicted until June 29. Predicted solar flux values are 72 for June 5-6, then 74 on June 7-13.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet geomagnetic conditions June 5-8, quiet to unsettled June 9-10, and quiet again June 11.

Time now to look at our 3-month average daily sunspot numbers to spot trends. It looks like the numbers are up, slightly.

The three-month average of daily sunspot numbers for January through April was 2.4, 2.3, 1.5 and 2. The last number, centered on April, is the sum of all daily sunspot numbers for March through May, divided by the number of days.

Since 2007, the 3 month moving average has been:

Jan 07 22.7
Feb 07 18.5
Mar 07 11.2
Apr 07 12.2
May 07 15.8

Jun 07 18.7
Jul 07 15.4
Aug 07 10.2
Sep 07 5.4
Oct 07 3.0
Nov 07 6.9
Dec 07 8.1
Jan 08 8.5
Feb 08 8.4
Mar 08 8.4
Apr 08 8.9
May 08 5.0
Jun 08 3.7
Jul 08 2.0
Aug 08 1.1
Sep 08 2.5
Oct 08 4.5
Nov 08 4.4
Dec 08 3.7
Jan 09 2.3
Feb 09 2.1
Mar 09 1.5
Apr 09 2.0

The average daily sunspot number for just the month of May was 4, which indicates a nice trend following the March and April 3-month averages.

David Witkowski, W6DTW of San Jose, California was happy to see the reports of night time 20 meter propagation from N6CAS, and notes that on May 20 he worked LY1000A (Lithuania) at 0405z, ES1QD in Estonia at 0612z on May 22, and OH5LF (Finland) at 0635z on May 23. He worked them all using 100 watts and a vertical antenna. He wrote, "I told some friends here in San Jose that I'd worked Europe barefoot at 11:00pm local time and a few of them gave me the 'Oh yeah, sure you did' look. Thanks for vindicating me."

David continued, "Regarding the question of "dead" versus "unoccupied" bands; I wrote a blog article recently on this topic. (See http://sparqi.blogspot.com/.) During Summer Es I used to listen to 28.4 and/or tune from 28.3-28.5 to check for openings. Recently I made the discovery that listening on CB channel 38-LSB (27.385) is a much better way to do a quick check for openings; I have monitored stations from all over the western US burning up "38 lower" well into late evening, while 10 meters sits idle. Many times there is propagation; we're just not using it."

Howard Estes, WB4GUD of Franklin, North Carolina also likes to check Citizens Band activity for a 10-meter propagation indicator. He wrote, "I agree with W1ZI, the bands aren't dead, we're just lazy. How often do you scan a band, don't hear anything, and go somewhere

else? I've started checking the CB channels for activity. If I can hear the Big Frog Gigger in LA (that's lower Alabama), probably 10M is open to somewhere."

Mark Lunday, WD4ELG of Hillsborough, North Carolina wrote about a June 1 E-skip opening on 6 meters that still continued at 0400z on June 2. "I worked 12 stations on CW and SSB across the Midwest on 6. Also, had some multi-hop on 10 meters using WSJT JT65A and heard Oregon. Second night in a row that I was hearing Es late at night on 10 meters using WSJT weak-signal propagation."

Mark said he likes to use DX Sherlock, at http://tinyurl.com/5qwvu2.

Bill Turner, W4WNT of Matthews, North Carolina has good luck lately with PSK on 20 meters, even when there are no sunspots. He is running 25 watts into a G5RV at 25 feet, and on May 21 at 0345z he worked Peter, ZL1PWD who reported working 12 stations that day.

Erik Jacobsen, KB9BNY of McHenry, Illinois sent a message titled, "20-meter PSK31 has been on fire this week." He wrote, "Tuesday, with the sunspot number at 19 and the solar flux at 72, 20 meters nicely opened up for world wide communication. I participate in the PSK reporter network (http://psk.gladstonefamily.net/pskmap.html). Basically, when a reporting station receives the de callsign callsign pattern, the location of the transmitting station is then plotted on a map. When I checked the map on Tuesday morning, I saw a Pakistani station, two New Zealand stations and a Japanese station plotted. It just goes to show you how well 20 meters can perform with a small amount of power (usually under 30 watts), a narrow-band signal, and relatively modest solar conditions."

He continues, "I preserved the map for historical purposes at http://tinyurl.com/June2-map. Tuesday's total monitoring take for a 24 hour period was 30 countries. I occasionally blog my PSK reporter observations at http://20meters.blogspot.com. My current PSK reporter map can be viewed at http://tinyurl.com/kb9bny-map."

Thanks, Erik! Great stuff.

Again this week we have a book recommendation. Bill Scholz, KB1SGY of Greenwich, Connecticut advises checking out "The Sun Kings; The Unexpected Tragedy of Richard Carrington and the Tale of How Modern Astronomy Began."

Bill writes that this is "an engaging book by Stuart Clark that describes, in great detail, how the great astronomers of the 19th century linked sun spots, solar flares, auroras and magnetic storms. An excerpt from the flyleaf: 'In September of 1859, a cloud of seething gas engulfed the Earth and a blood-red aurora erupted across the planet. Around the world, telegraph machines burst into flames, while compasses reeled as if struck by a massive magnetic fist. No one knew what could have released such strange forces upon

the Earth - no one, that is, except the amateur English astronomer Richard Carrington.'"

He continues, "It's a great read and I recommend it highly if you're interested in the connection between these phenomena."

Last week's bulletin mentioned a consumer communications product out of Japan that would require text messengers to learn Morse code. We asked if anyone could decode the Japanese in a graphic on a web page talking about the product, and Brett Graham, VS6BG says it is just a banner ad for a television show. He thought the product might be for real, but checked with JA3USA, who thought it was an April 1 joke. But Brett says, "The idea does have something going for it."

In last week's bulletin we presented some confusing text regarding scientific notation and numbers representing the area covered by sunspots, at least it confused me. I was worried about it, so I checked with K9LA, who got me on the right track. But K1SFA at ARRL HQ was concerned when she got it from me, so she passed it on to a ham who is an astronomer for a fact check. Somehow it got changed back to the way I had it in the first place, before getting input from K9LA. So at this point I can't correct it, although I believe K9LA had it right. More later.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for May 28 through June 3 were 0, 0, 0, 15, 23, 19, and 17 with a mean of 10.6. 10.7 cm flux was 67.7, 68.2, 68.5, 68.5, 72.5, 71.9, and 72.5 with a mean of 70. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 5, 3, 3, 3, 2 and 4 with a mean of 3.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 5, 4, 2, 3, 2, 2 and 4 with a mean of 3.1.
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9986. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-05 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9986

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 156 Issued at 2200Z on 05 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 04/2100Z
to 05/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. Region 1019 (N24W23) appears to be slowly
decaying and was quiet and stable.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (06-08 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 04/2100Z to 05/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet. There was one unsettled
period from 05/0900-1200Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (06-08 June).
III. Event Probabilities 06 Jun-08 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 05 Jun 070
Predicted 06 Jun-08 Jun 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 05 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 04 Jun 005/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 05 Jun 005/006
Predicted Afr/Ap 06 Jun-08 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 06 Jun-08 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 05/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9987. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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Date: 2009-06-06 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9987

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#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 157 Issued at 2200Z on 06 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 05/2100Z
to 06/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. There was one B-class
flare during the past 24 hours. Region 1019 (N24W36) has decayed to
spotless plage. Consequently the solar disk is now void of spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 05/2100Z to 06/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (07-09 June).
III. Event Probabilities 07 Jun-09 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 06 Jun 069
Predicted 07 Jun-09 Jun 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 06 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 05 Jun 005/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 06 Jun 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 07 Jun-09 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 07 Jun-09 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 05/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9988. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #911

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-07 21:04:56 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 9988 Message: 9988

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 31st-May, through Sunday, 7th-June there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H2, H3, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5H, TANZANIA. Frans, PE1ABQ, is expected to be active as 5H1FF from Stone Town city on the Island of Zanzibar (AF-032). His equipment is a FT-950 w/100w into 3.5m vertical at 20m A.S.L. No QSNs have been reported yet. QSL via the address on QRZ.com.

5J0, SAN ANDRES ISLANDS (Update). Dennis, K7BV, will once again return to San Andres (NA-033) and be active as 5J0BV (not 5J0M as first announced) between June 18-29th (not June 19th-July 5th). He will again be concentrating on 6 meter Sporadic Es. HF bands will be activated as well. QSL direct to K7BV (not W1JJ as first announced) via the QRZ.com address. For more details and updates, visit the following Web page at:
http://www.qth.com/k7bv/caribe2009

8R, GUYANA (Update). The 6 Meter Beacon Project, Inc., (HF-50 MHz DX-pedition between June 16th and July 6th) has announced the callsigns for their operation to Guyana. According to their Web page the callsigns are:
8R1DB - Team One: Chris/W3CMP and Dave/N3DB; between June 16-26th
8R1TO - Team Two: Terry/K4RX and Ken/AC4TO; between June 27th-July 6th
QSO information is just "Signal report please, no grid squares!!!!!!"
QSL via N3DB: David Craig, 4931 Mariners Drive, Shady Side, MD 20864 (2.00 USDs & SAE [or equivalent U.S. postage] for outside US; SASE for U.S. Stations). Bureau QSLs are "OK", but slow. For updates, visit the Web page online at: http://6meterbeaconproject.org/8R2009.html
Operating frequencies will to be posted soon.

A35, TONGA. Paul, A35RK, continues to be active as A35RK/p from Vava'u Island (OC-064). He informs OPDX that there is "no definite departure date." He has also mentioned that he submitted the April/May A35RK/p log (OC-064) to Bob, W7TSQ. This log includes activity in the CQ WPX CW Contest this past weekend. As far as LoTW submissions, Bob, W7TSQ, informed OPDX that since LoTW does not show/give credit for IOTA, Paul is combining his /P log with the regular A35RK log as he is still Tonga. He also mentioned that there is a possibility that some QSOs between May 20-24th, have an error in the time. Most are probably CW contacts. Paul also informed us of the problem and states, "There appears to be a problem with the 'QSO time' element in the computer logbook entry. Some contacts appear to be exactly 'one hour off' the actual time of QSO." So, anyone with a LoTW problem or needing an IOTA card, showing OC-064, can contact Bill at: W7TSQ@...
He can supply cards that will show the IOTA information if needed. As usual an SASE/SAE with postage (green stamps) will be answered direct. Bill states, "Bureau cards will be awhile as I probably will not send again before fall. LoTW is preferred as it is less work for me!"

ANTARCTICA WEB PAGE (Sites and Sounds). The French Polar Team's Web site continues to add a great collection of information and pictures (added with music) of the many polar stations and sub-Antarctic regions. Check out the following URLs (recently added FT5YJ--VP8DLM--CE9XX):
* Station Machu Picchu - Ile du Roi George:
http://french-polar-team.fr/OA_Machu_Picchu_Station_King_George_Island.php
* Station B - Ile Deception:
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/VP8_Station_B_Deception_Island.php
* Station O - Ile Danco:
http://french-polar-team.fr/VP8_Danco_Station_O_Danco_Island.php
* Station Gabriel Gonzales Videla - Cote Danco:
http://french-polar-team.fr/CE9_Videla_Station_Antarctica.php

* Station Almirante Brown - Cote Danco:
http://french-polar-team.fr/LU_Almirante_Brown_Station_Antarctica.php
* Station F Wordie Hut - Ile Winter:
http://french-polar-team.fr/VP8_Wordie_Hut_Station_F_Winter_Island.php
* Port-Charcot - Ile Booth (Wandel):
http://french-polar-team.fr/FT5Y-P_Port_Charcot_Booth_Island.php
* Station A Port Lockroy - Ile Goudier:
http://french-polar-team.fr/VP8_Port_Lockroy_Station_A_Goudier_Island.php
* Bahia Dorian Refuge - Ile Wiencke:
http://french-polar-team.fr/LU_Bahia_Dorian_Refuge_Wiencke_Island.php
* Station L Damoy Point Hut - Ile Wiencke:
http://french-polar-team.fr/VP8_Damoy_Point_Hut_Station_L_Wiencke_Island.php
* Le voilier l'Ile d'Elle:
http://french-polar-team.fr/Polar_Ship_L_Ile%20d_Elle.php
* Davis station: http://www.french-polar-team.fr/VK0_Davis_Station_Antarctica

CT, PORTUGAL (Field Day). The ARVM group will be operating their "Field Day" for 24 hours beginning at 1200z on Saturday, June 13th. Operations will be from Montemor Park near the city of Loures. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and TVA. For more info, go to:
http://www.arvm.org/index_fd2009.html

CT, PORTUGAL. Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be active as CT7/CU8AT during "Green Days", June 13-14th. Operations will be from "Parque Natural SW Alentejano e Costa Vicentina" which is valid for: DPRN FF-12 and WFF CTFF-12. Operators mentioned are: Toze/CT1GFK, Al/CT1GPQ and Mike/CT1IUA. One of the operators (to be decided later), will be active during the "Portugal Day Contest" on June 13th, from the same QTH. Look for more details on: http://algarvedx.com

DAYTON HAMVENTION FCC FORUM (Audio Available Online). Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, Producer of ARNewsline, Inc., reports: "To our valued listeners, In response to a number of requests we have uploaded the entire 71 minute Dayton Hamvention FCC Forum hosted by Bill Cross, W3TN, and Laura Smith as an MP3 audio file to our Amateur Radio Newsline website front page. You can download it by going to http://www.arnewsline.org, then scroll down to "Click HERE to download the entire 70 minute Dayton Hamvention FCC Forum" and follow your normal download and save procedure for your web browser. This recording was made using a Senheisser microphone at the speakers podium connected to an M-Audio Microtrack II professional digital audio recorder. Audio processing and conversion to MP3 was accomplished using Goldwave Editor Ver 5.52. We believe you will find the audio quality superior to various other recordings of this important forum available at various Web sites across cyberspace. We hope that you will find it of value."

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit: HZ1EA - Saudi Arabia
If you have had this operation rejected in a recent submission, please send a note to dxcc@... to be placed on the list for an update.

Also, once completed, if you have an account in LoTW, the update will
be posted to your account.

* 2008 ARRL DXCC YEARBOOK. Bill Moore, NC1L, announced this past week on
June 2nd: "The 2008 DXCC yearbooks have arrived from the printer. The
ARRL mail room will prepare them for shipping and they should start
going out the middle of next week. You will receive the free copy if:
* A submission was received during the 2008 calendar year.
* If you did not make a submission during the calendar year, but you
were "current" on the DXCC Honor Roll for this period. (329 current
DXCC entities).
ARRL Membership is also required for the free edition. Copies are
available for purchase for 7.00 USDs (USA) and 11.00 USDs (Non-USA).
This fee includes postage."

* DXCC CARD CHECKING at the 2009 "Ham Radio" in Friedrichshafen, Germany.
Please read the complete details on how to prepare your cards and forms
at: http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards

EM0, UKRAINE (URFF Special Event). Members of the Lviv Branch of the
Ukrainian Amateur Radio League (UARL), UR4WWE, will activate the special
callsign EM0WFF from Roztochchia Nature Reserve (URFF-020, URDA LV-32)
between June 12-14th. QSL via UT7WZ, by the bureau or direct. Information
on the "W-UR-FF" Award can be found at:
http://www.islands.org.ua/wurff/index_e.html

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Phil, F5PHW, informs OPDX that he will be in Tahiti
for two years starting August 2009. Activity will be on CW/RTTY and SSB
(sometimes) on 80-10 meters. For the moment, his callsign will be FO/F5PHW.
Phil is trying and hoping to get a FO5 callsign, but he has to negotiate
it with local authorities when he is in Tahiti. Phil will be in a small
house very close to the airport. He will operate with 100 watts into a HF6
and dipole, but hopes, if possible put up a 3 elements beam in the garden.
QSL will be OK via LoTW. QSL are also "OK" via F8BPN, by the bureau or
direct. More information is available on: http://f5phw.chez.com

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Operators Eric/KV1J and Tom/W8TOM will be
active as FP/KV1J from Miquelon (NA-032) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via KV1J, direct, by the
Bureau or LoTW. Operators will be there between October 20-27th. Activity
outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and
PSK31, generally on the highest frequency band that is open (no permission
for 60M). Visit Eric's Web page at: http://www.kv1j.com/fp/october09.html

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS (Rare IOTA). Operators Mike/KM9D (H44MY) and Jan/KF4TUG
(H44TO) are now active as H44MY from Stirling Island (OC-162) for about
a week. Mike was heard this past weekend on 40/20 meters CW. Jan was
heard on 20/17 meters SSB. QSL via OM2SA.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-017. Operators Mitsu/7N4AGB, Hase/JK1EBA, Shoji/JJ1JGI, JA1XEQ and
Nakayama/JA1KJW will be active as homecall/6 from Tokashiki

Island, Okinawa Prefecture, between July 7-10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, but mainly on the lower bands using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

AS-047. Operators Mitsu/7N4AGB, Hase/JK1EBA, Shoji/JJ1JGI, JA1XEQ and Nakayama/JA1KJW will be active as homecall/6 from Daito Island, Okinawa Prefecture, between June 25th and July 5th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, but mainly on the lower bands using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

AS-117. Operators JJ2JQF and JH9UYZ will be active as homecall/0 from Awa Island, Niigata Prefecture, between June 26-30th. Activity will be on 160m through 70cm using CW, SSB, AM, FM, RTTY and Satellite (1200 MHz). QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-005. Members of the Bittern DX Group will once again be active as G2B from the cliff tops in the village of Trimingham, Norfolk, East of England region (WLOTA 1841) for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via M0CNP, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-042. Harald, DF6BL, will be active as homecall/p from Langeness Island (N-19 for the German Islands Award, WLOTA 1245) between July 6-13th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-067. Operators Elizabeth/K4KTG, Michael/KC6ZUS and Jonathan/KI4UOU will be active as SV/K4KTG from Thira Island [aka Santorini] (GIOTA SAS-102, MIA MG-125, WLOTA 0658), June 15-30th. QSL via K4KTG.

EU-095. Operators Robert/F5HTR and Roger/F5LKW will be active as homecall/p from Riou Island (DIFM ME-006) on June 8th. They will travelling by kayak and will be active as QRP on 7032 kHz. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-120. Members of the Wakefield and District Radio Society will be active as GB1HI from Holy Island [aka Lindisfarne] (WAB NU14, ARLHS ENG-224, TWLHD WLH G-011) off the Northumbrian coast, July 10-13th. QSL via M3ZYZ, direct, by the Bureau or E-mail QSL requests (Bureau). More details are available on QRZ.com.

EU-122. Members of Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC will be active as GI0ADX from Rathlin Island (WLOTA 0039), Northern Ireland, in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are: Allan/GM3OZB, Barry/GM3YEH, Steve/GM4OSS, John/GM0DJG and Gordon/MM0BIM. QSL via MM0DHQ, by the Bureau is preferred.

EU-127. Operators Gerd/DK8NT and Horst/DL8NBM will be active as homecall/p from a smaller neighbor island called "the Dune",

Helgoland Island (German Island Award # N-15), between June 11-17th. They state that their activity will be "something between a vacation-style and a 'serious' DXpedition". Operations will be mainly on CW, but some SSB or PSK. Using only 100 watts, they will experiment with simple wire antennas: A triple leg for 30m and up, a 40/80m double dipole for Europe, and a 40m (and maybe 80m) vertical for DX. QSL via their home callsigns, by the bureau or direct (no e-QSL).

EU-145. Nuno, CT2FPE, will be active as homecall/p from Barreta Island on June 13th between the hours of 1000-1900z. Activity is also valid for: ARLHS POR-141, Fa-14, Ai-003, DPRN FF-07, CTFF-07, DMP-0805, FAR-05, DMA-FARO and Day of Portugal Contest. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-165. Massimo, I0PNM, will be active as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (IIA CI-007, MIA MIS-050, WLOTA 2989), June 8-16th. Activity will be mainly PSK31 on 20 and 40 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-027. George, WW4GA, will be active as WW4GA/VO1 from Newfoundland (CISA NF-001) between June 17th and July 9th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL direct only to WW4GA.

NA-067. Rick, N5EYT, is expected to be active from Cape Hatteras (USI NC005S, WLOTA 3913) in Salvo, NC, no earlier than 2000z, June 7th and will finish no later than 1200z, June 15th. His activity will only be 20 meters PSK31 with a dipole (trying out his new Small Wonder Labs PSK-20). Rick mentions that he will be operating at a beach house on the west side of island. This is actually a vacation/wedding trip where his daughter's wedding will take place on June 13th, so most of his operating will be limited to earlier in the week. QSL via N5EYT, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW.

NA-079. Operators Bill/WD2E, Dave/KI4KQU and Paul/AA2C will be active as WD2E/4 from the Dry Tortugas Islands (WLOTA 0274) between June 24th and July 1st. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via WD2E.

NA-112. Brian, KB9BVN, will be active from Bird Island (USI NC-012S, WW Loc. FM03RU, Brunswick County) on Sunset Beach, North Carolina, between now and June 12th. Activity will be QRP on 40 and 20 meters using CW only. His equipment is a Elecraft KX-1 and PAC-12 portable vertical antenna. He will QSL all contacts and states eQSLs are available if that is what you prefer. His son Andy, N9AWM, will be with him as well.

NA-142. Jim, AD5ZA, will be active as homecall/4 from Santa Rosa Island (USI FL-003S), Florida, on August 1st. Activity will be on 20 and 15 meters using PSK31. This activation is for PODXS 070 Club. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

J2, DJIBOUTI. Once again members of the F6KOP Provins Club and Clipperton DX Club are planning a major operation this time to Djibouti in 2010. The callsign announced is J20C. More details are forthcoming.

IY7, ITALY (Special Event). Alfredo, IK7JWX, is now active as IY7NGM (and possibly as IY7NGM/p) through December 31st. Activity is to celebrate 100th anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi receiving the Nobel Prize in 1909. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters using all modes. Alfredo was heard this past week on 40 meters CW and 20 meters RTTY/PSK31. QSL via IK7JWX.

K8CX's 2009 DAYTON HAMVENTION PHOTO GALLERY. Tom's, K8CX, 2009 Dayton Photo Gallery is now up at: http://hamgallery.com/dayton2009/
This is Tom's 13th consecutive year for the gallery, and it contains 293 photos taken at Crowne Plaza at various events and hospitality suites.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY AND NEWS.....
Operators Gabriel/LU5FZ and Juan Carlos/LU9DO will be active as CX/LU9DO from Punta del Este Lighthouse (URU-008) in Uruguay during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW), August 15-16th.

Look for La Cana Lighthouse (WLOTA 2802, Loc. FK68MK) in Guanica, Puerto Rico, to be on the air as K4G during the WLOTA Contest (July 4-5th). Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via WP3MW.

MAJOR PACIFIC DXPEDITIONS (Update). After his recent trip from the Pacific, Team leader, Hrane/YT1AD confirms that an international team of 14 individuals are organizing DXpeditions for amateur radio activity from Tokelau (ZK3), Canton Island (T31 - Central Kiribati) and Wallis Island (FW) over 22 days next year (in 2010). The tentative schedule is as follows:
September 25-29th - Traveling by boat from Fiji (3D2) to Samoa (KH8)
September 29th - Loading in Apia; departing Apia to Fakaofo Atoll in the Republic of Tokelau Island group
September 30th - Arriving Fakaofo Atoll
October 1-3rd - Activity on the air from Tokelau
October 3rd - Afternoon departure from Fakaofo Atoll to the Island of Canton (Central Kiribati)
October 4th - Traveling to Canton Island
October 5th - Arriving at Canton Island
October 6-10th - Activity on the air from Canton Island
October 10th - Afternoon activity/departure from Canton Island
October 12th - Arriving at Wallis Island (FW)
October 14th - Departure from Wallis Island
October 16th - Arriving at Fiji Islands
More information will be forthcoming.

PA09, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Fred, PA0FAW, will activate special event station PA09SHAPE between June 6th and July 3rd. Activity is to celebrate Mode Biennale, fashion month in Arnhem. QSL via PA0FAW, direct or by the Bureau. SWL cards welcome.

PORTUGUESE PREFIX CHANGES. The Portuguese local regulatory agency for
the amateur radio service (Anacom) has published new legislation. There
is a part in the legislation that will impact the callsign structure
of Portuguese (Portugal, Madeira and the Azores) callsigns. As of June
1st, the following will be the prefix blocks allocated to each area:
Each area will have four blocks (old calls under old legislation,
new calls under new legislation, club calls and special calls)

Portugal Madeira
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Block 1 - CT1, CT2, CT4, CT5 Block 1 - CT3
Block 2 - CR7, CS7, CT7 Block 2 - CR9, CS9, CT9
Block 3 - CQ0, CS5 Block 3 - CQ2, CS3
Block 4 - CQ7, CR5, CR6, CS2 Block 4 - CQ3, CQ9, CR3

Azores

Block 1 - CU1, CU2, CU3, CU4, CU5, CU6, CU7, CU8, CU9, CU0
Block 2 - CR8, CS8, CT8
Block 3 - CQ1, CS4
Block 4 - CQ8, CR1, CR2

ADDED NOTES:
Callsigns from block 1. (CT1, CT2, CT4, CT5. CT3, CU#) will no longer
be issued. Current hams will keep these calls if they like or submit
to a new exam to have the new prefixes (CR, CS, CT, 7,8,or 9).

New hams will have block 2 and will be issued prefixes according to
category. Category 1 will have CT 7, 8 or 9, category 2 will have
CS 7, 8 or 9, and category 3 will have CR# 7, 8 or 9.

Club stations will have call in block 3 (CQ0, CS5, CQ2, CS3, CQ1, CS4).

Special occasion and contest calls will have block 4 (CQ7, CR5, CR6,
CS2, CQ3, CQ9, CR3, CQ8, CR1, CR2).

SPECIAL NOTE FOR CONTESTERS:
Portugal - No new prefixes. Several lost.
Madeira - One new prefix (CQ2).
Azores - New prefixes (CR8, CS8, CT8, CQ1, CS4, CQ8, CR1, CR2).

For more info, see: http://www.anacom.pt/render.jsp?contentId=944999

PACIFIC TOUR. Karl, DL2FAG, is going on another "holiday-DXpedition",
this time to the Pacific and plans to operate from three locations later
in the year. His tentative schedule and callsigns are as follows:
Island of Niue - He will operate as ZK2DL from Namukulu, between October
19th and November 7th. Activity will be holiday style
on 80-10 meters, mainly on RTTY, PSK and SSB. IOTA is:
OC-040. QSL via DL2FAG.

New Zealand - Karl states he will operate sporadically from the South
Island of New Zealand, as ZL4/DL2FAG between November
8-18th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly on RTTY,

PSK and SSB. QSL via DL2FAG.

Western Samoa - Karl will end his trip as 5W0KH from Upolu between November 18-30th. Again, activity will be on 80-10 meters, mainly on RTTY, PSK and SSB. QSL via DL2FAG.

Karl states that he will be operating from all locations on the usual DX frequencies. Watch Karl's Web page for possible updates, and he will have a log search on the site (not sure if it will be active during his operations). His Web page is at: http://www.qsl.net/dl2fag

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
With all the changes going on in the postal systems, it is time to check out Bill's, W9OL, great IRC Chart Web page. It is a great place to see who takes IRCs, green stamps and who does not. Give it a look at: http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.htm

K5D QSL STATUS: QSL Manager Bob, N2OO, reported on June 2nd, the following update:
"OQRS - We finished OQRS requests received through about May 4th.. We will resume OQRS QSL processing again shortly, and we will post the dates on the QSL Information link found at the K5D Web site www.k5d.us when we do resume. OQRS continues to be available for QSL requests. Info for OQRS can also be found on the QSL Information link.

DIRECT MAIL: We are now focusing on the direct mail in the same order as the mail was received. We are answering donors first just to be fair to those who added a little something with their QSL. We also TRY to catch notes that tell us that you contributed in advance of the operation, but we don't always catch those notes. If we miss yours, we apologize. The DIRECT MAIL processing trudges forward. So, we appreciate everyone's patience. I continue to do the log processing after which the QSLs will be mailed gradually by members of my QSL processing team. We are not doing larger bulk mailings in order to keep the cards flowing into the mail. It will surely be a few months before we can become current. It's hard to get ahead when you are still receiving some 50 pieces of mail on average every day.

As of June 2nd we have confirmed 26,353 QSOs.

LoTW UPDATE: After careful consideration, and cautious investigation into the LoTW process, I have decided that we will be able to upload CONFIRMED QSOs ONLY to LoTW. This will be done in larger sized batches as time allows while we continue to process QSLs. When the first batch is uploaded, I will post the information on the QSL Information link found at the K5D Web site www.k5d.us. I expect to do it within the next week. QRX

In the past, we just uploaded to LoTW one time about one year after the DXpedition. This was done for obvious reasons. Now that I have become familiar with how to do partial log uploads to LoTW, we should be able to satisfy those who want their QSOs in LoTW. By only uploading confirmed

QSOs (in batches), we think that this is a fair compromise that is a win/win for everyone involved. We are considering other options for the "next one". But for THIS one, this is what we will be doing. We will upload the balance of the full log in early 2010.

I ask you all to be patient! Since cards are going out in the mail frequently and in much smaller batches, you can expect to hear of people getting their cards continuously. Be assured that we are continuing the QSL operation on a daily basis. It is just going to take time.

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE QSL MANAGER ABOUT QSL ISSUES. IF YOU DO, YOU WILL ONLY BE REFERRED TO THE K5D WEB PAGE FOR CURRENT QSL STATUS. WHEN THINGS CALM DOWN, I WILL BE HAPPY TO ADDRESS ANY CONCERNS. QRX. Visit www.k5d.us for all information!"
73 Bob Schenck, N2OO QSL Manager K5D Desecheo 2009

1652 INFO. Over the past weekend (June 5-7th), special callsigns were active on several different bands that were good towards the "Roskilde 1658 Award". For information on the callsigns, and upcoming operations (times and frequencies), please look at the activities calendar on the award Web site at: http://www.sk7bq.com/roskilde

QSL for OZ5FYN will be sent for all QSOs via the EDR bureau. This was a special event station active for the annual Summer Rally at Egeskov Slot (Castle) on June 7th. OZ5FYN grid locator was JO55FE, and the island reference number is EU-172. There is no Danish CASOTA reference number (for the first Castle activation).

NEW QSL MANAGER. Randy, W5UE, is now the new QSL manager for 9V1YC, 9V9HQ and N1YC/VK9X. After many years of excellent service as James' QSL Manager, Joe, N5ID, is handing over duties to Randy in order to recuperate after an extended illness in hospital. W5UE has all the logs, blank cards and pending QSL requests for all of James' callsigns, so feel free to check his Web site for periodic updates and status of QSL requests at: http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue.html

ADDED NOTE. Randy, W5UE, states, "It was brought to my attention that many QSL Manager Data Bases still contain entries for some of James' old calls to N5ID. Both Joe and James indicate a request hasn't been received for any of these for years, but we will continue to honor any requests that may be needed in the future... so, please update your QSL Manager Data Bases for any of the following calls from N5ID to W5UE: 9V0YC, 9V8YC, KB1CM/VR2, KB1CM/VS6, KB1CM/ZS, KH8/KB1CM, VR2/KB1CM and VS6/KB1CM. Please bear in mind all of these logs are on paper only and will require extra processing time since I'll probably have to manually print cards as well."

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Don, N1DG, reports that he is NOT the QSL Manager for A71A. QSL A71A via A71AN ONLY.

R1FJT QSL STATUS. Jack, RW0BB (ex-R1FJT), reports that new QSL cards are being printed and you will have to wait until he receives them.

TM0M LOG ONLINE. Logs for the recent operation TM0M from Molene Island (EU-065), May 23-30th, now available at: http://users.belgacom.net/cdxg

QSLS VIA LOTW: 9M6XRO, A61AD, A61X, A61AO, D44TXI, LY8O, LY9Y, OH0Z, S58MU, T33C, TN5SN, TR8CA, UN6J, UT7UJ, VK9GMW, XE1EE, YL7X, YW4D, ZF1A and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7DA, 4U1UN, 5H1X, 5H3RK, 5K0T, 5N/LZ1QK, 7Q7VB, 7X0RY, 8Q7SC, 9J2FM, 9J2VB, 9K2YM, 9U0VB, A71MA, A92GR, BG4TRF, BH4QAK, C91FC, CU3AD, CW6V, D2BB, D20VB, D60VB, DV5PO, E71DX, EA8BMG, EA9CF, EA9PY, EL2AR, FM5BH, GJ0KYZ, GT4BRS, GT6BRS, H40FN, HI9/EA3BT, HI9/EA3WL, HP1AC, HV50VR, JH9FNB, K3J, K5D, KG4AS, KH6BB, KP2/K3TEJ, KP4KE, LX8RTTY, LX9SW, PY0FF, R1ANB, R1ANC, R1ANP, T32YY, T33ZZ, T8CW, T8NF, T88CI, TO5A, TR8CA, UK9AA, UN7BEW, V63PR, VK7ZE, VK0BP, VP5DF, VP8/LZ1UQ, VP8DLJ, VP8YLI, XE2HWB/XF1, YB2ECG, Z36A and Z36W

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: BY4AEE, BA4ALC, BA4CH, BD4AHW, BD4ALC/4, BA4DJ, BD4DM, BD7BW, BD7YK, BT4ECNU50, BY4BHK, BY4CA, BY4HAM, CE0Y/SM6CUK, CT1DWT, CT1HIX, DL2ARD, E20WXA, EM10U, EM5HQ, FK/JK1FNL, FO5RU, HA800NAR, HB9LH, IB0CW, IK0FMB, IK1JIM, IM0S, LA6KOA, LN3C, LZ130JA, MM/DH5JBR/P, OE8XHQ, OH0/OH2DZ, OH60BH, OY/DL6RAI, R450WA, RA3CM, RA3XEV, RU3FF, SY8DX, TM0C, TM2RWC, UE3FFF/3, UE9WFJ, UN8LW, UT4EK, UT5UGR, VA7AAW, VP2MPL and ZL1BOS

SILENT KEY. Ken Holdom, ZL4HU, informs OPDX that Russell Baird, or Russ as he was commonly known, ZL4DJ, became a Silent Key (SK) on the evening of June 4th. He was a well-known DXer and fellow ham radio enthusiast. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of ZL4DJ. Messages can be sent to: The Baird Family, 87 Ventry Street, Alexandra, Central Otago, New Zealand. ADDED NOTE: Ken Holdom, ZL4HU, states: "WE don't have an E-mail address for messages at this time, but I am more than willing to receive messages and personally hand them to the family.

SP50, POLAND (Special Event). Memebers of the SP DX Club (The Long Distance Radio Communication Club of Poland) have activated the special event station SP50DXC through June 30th, to celebrating 50th anniversary of the SP DX Club. The station is expected to be active on all bands/modes. Operators mentioned are: Andrzej/SP7ASZ, Jerzy/SP7CVW, Krzysztof/SP7IIT, Pawel/SP7LFT and Jerzy/SP7TF. QSL via SP7DQR. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. SP50DXC will also be active again later in the year at the end September during their annual meeting of the SP DX Club.

SPECIAL EVENT (13 Colonies "On the Air"). Look for special event stations from all the thirteen 1776 original colonies to be on the air between 1300z, July 1st and 0400z July 5th. A full color certificate printed on heavy card stock or parchment paper (with a map and the state flags of all the 1776 colony states) will be available to each station who works one or more or ALL of the special event stations. The thirteen 1776 original colonies (their special event callsign) are: CT (K2D), DE (K2E), GA (K2G), MA (K2H), MD (K2F), NC (K2J), NJ (K2I), NH (K2K), NY (K2A), RI (K2C), PA (K2M), SC (K2L) and VA (K2C). Activity will be on all bands (except 60m and the 30/17/12m). The Colony stations will be operating on

or near the "13" of each band (Eg. 14213, 14313, 7213, et.). Also, 2 meters and 6 meters simplex frequencies are encouraged. For this event 2 meter repeater contacts WILL be allowed. For more details and picture of the certificate, please visit their Web page at:
http://home.comcast.net/~dzabawa/ThirteenColonies.htm
Each station is to send a contact log stating the Date, UTC, Band, and callsign of each contact, along with your QSL card and 4.00 USDs (check, Money Order or Cash - to help defray printing costs). NO SASE required. They will furnish postage, certificate and 9"x12" envelope. No QSL cards will be issued - just the certificate. All award requests and payment are to be sent and made out to the KU2US-Award Manager. Address and Log Forms are available at the above Web site. Those stations submitting contacts for ALL thirteen colonies will have their certificate marked with a "Clean Sweep" in recognition of their efforts.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI. David, N1EMC (ex-ZK2DF), is expected to be active from here as T30DX. Complete details are forthcoming. Stay tuned.

TO4G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). Didier, F5OGL, announced this past week as indicated several weeks ago, no civilian will be included in the crew which is going to Gloriosos, next month. He states, "It had been confirmed that it will be first a military mission. Nothing was possible to do to make changes in this Forces Authorities decision." He also announced the final crew/operators list: Yves Michel/F5PRU, Jean Marc/F5RQQ, Freddy/ F5IRO, Philippe/F4EGS and Sylvain/F5TLN. Didier thanks the F6KOP Provins ARC for the loan of three stations to be active on the air and a fourth that will be set up and could be used on no particular modes or bands. Didier ends his press release by saying, "Mission permitting, the crew will appear in the two major July contests, the IARU HF and the RSGB IOTA. Know that the crew, instead of maintenance jobs, has another assistance mission by the Armies Information and Public Relation group which will go to Glorioso along with us. This group is composed of an Officer, a director and a cameraman. The callsign is not known yet, but it is expected in the next days." More information is forthcoming. Look for updates on their Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr

VK, AUSTRALIA (4 LETTER SUFFIX). Eddie, VK4AN, (Father of VK4FRAJ) reports: "There is still much reluctance and confusion amongst contesters regarding VK 4-letter suffix calls... especially in CW contests! My son is probably the ONLY VK with a 4-letter suffix that operates on CW, and is VERY frustrated when contesters keep asking if his call is 2-letters or 3-letters... and one even accused him of being 'a commercial station' and refused to work him! 4-letter suffixes are issued to 'Foundation-class' hams (similar to the US novice-class). ALL Foundation class suffixes begin with an 'F' plus 3 more letters. They have a maximum of 10-watts power on 80-40-15-10m CW-SSB only and must use commercially made equipment. My son's call is VK4FRAJ. He really enjoys CW but is ready to stop contesting due to the frustration of others NOT knowing that Australia issues 4-letter suffixes!! PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD THAT VK issues 4-LETTER SUFFIXES... and that the only one that we know of that is on CW is VK4FRAJ (not VK4FJ, not VK4RAJ, not VK4FRA, not VK4FR, not VK4FRJ... etc...). 'Raj' said he

would appreciate it if contesters would listen for his QRP CW signal and
to please realize that he has a 4-letter suffix (VK4FRAJ)."

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Bill, W5SJ, will be active from here possibly as VP2MSJ
(TBA), July 14-21st. Activity will be on 80m, 60m and 6 meters using CW,
SSB and possibly JST. However, he will concentrate on the CQWW VHF Contest
(July 18-19th) on 6 meters. His equipment is an ICOM 7000, w/250 watts,
into a 5 element yagi (for 6m) and a Carolina Windom (for 80/60m). QSL
via his home callsign direct with current IRC or SASE.

ZY0, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Just a reminder that operators Anderson/PY2TNT,
Fabio/PY2AAZ/AC2AC, Alex/PY2WAS and Bob/N6OX will be active as ZY0F from
Fernando de Noronha Island (SA-003), from June 10-15th. Activity will be
on 160-10 meters including 60/30/17/12 meters (60m under temporary licensed
granted by the Brazilian Government) using CW and SSB. QSL via PY2WAS, by
the bureau or direct. This DXpedition is sponsored by Spiderbeam Antennas.
Also, see ZY0F on QRZ.com.

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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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9989. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-07 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9989

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 07 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 158 Issued at 2200Z on 07 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 06/2100Z
to 07/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible solar disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 06/2100Z to 07/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been at quiet to unsettled conditions.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet for 08-09 June. Quiet to unsettled
conditions are expected for 10 June.
III. Event Probabilities 08 Jun-10 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 07 Jun 069
Predicted 08 Jun-10 Jun 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 07 Jun 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 06 Jun 002/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Jun 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Jun-10 Jun 005/005-005/005-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Jun-10 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9990. ZL7T and ZM2M QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-08 20:55:06 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 9990 Message: 9990

All direct ZL7T QSLs have been answered and the last bunch was mailed today. The status is "current" and will be checked on a FIFO basis within a week as they arrive . I am answering the buro cards as they come in.
Many thanks to all for your kind comments on our operation.

ZM2M (East Coast Contesters) cards are being checked as above and are current.

73, Lee ZL2AL

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was numbered today as a BXO spot classification with 2 spots visible
in white light. No flares were observed during the past 24 hours.
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Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 08 Jun 069
Predicted 09 Jun-11 Jun 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 08 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 07 Jun 003/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 08 Jun 003/004
Predicted Afr/Ap 09 Jun-11 Jun 005/005-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Jun-11 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/05
Minor storm 01/05/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9992. K5D on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-09 09:19:59 UTC
From: Aishwarya
Topic: 9992 Message: 9992

Just got my K5D's QSOs on LOTW :-)))

73, Cedric HB9HFN

9993. Re: K5D on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-09 11:50:54 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9992 Message: 9993

The physical K5D cards are also coming out big time. Marsha (N4BU) and I received our K5D QSLs yesterday.

I met Bob (N2OO) at Dayton a few weeks ago. Amazing he had time to be there! We had a brief chat about both DXing and county hunting.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Aishwarya <aishwarya1967@...> wrote:
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>
> 73, Cedric HB9HFN
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9994. Re: [DX-IS] K5D on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-09 11:59:40 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 9992 Message: 9994

On Tue, Jun 9, 2009 at 6:19 AM, Aishwarya<aishwarya1967@...> wrote:
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>
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>
> 73, Cedric HB9HFN

Yep mine are there as well !!!! Just another facet of a very well
organized effort. Class act through and through.

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

9995. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-09 22:11:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 9995

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 09 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 160 Issued at 2200Z on 09 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 08/2100Z
to 09/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 08/2100Z to 09/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at predominately quiet conditions for the next three
days (10-12 June).
III. Event Probabilities 10 Jun-12 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 09 Jun 069
Predicted 10 Jun-12 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 09 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 08 Jun 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 09 Jun 002/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 10 Jun-12 Jun 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 10 Jun-12 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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9996. 7P8 July

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-10 00:18:18 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 9996 Message: 9996

Well here it is June and I am still wondering if there is anyone who would like to go on a dexpedition with our group to Lesotho 7P8 at the end of July?

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

9997. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K5D on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-10 11:43:20 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9992 Message: 9997

Art Burke wrote:
>
> The physical K5D cards are also coming out big time. Marsha (N4BU) and
> I received our K5D QSLs yesterday.
>
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> there! We had a brief chat about both DXing and county hunting.
>
> Art - N4PJ
>

I guess I offended the LOTW god. I have 6 Q's uploaded and nothing yet,

73,
Mike, W5UC
"God is great, beer is good, and people are crazy*
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

9998. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K5D on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-10 16:42:56 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 9992 Message: 9998

Same here Mike - 6Qs and nada
73 frank w0ecs

Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
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> Art Burke wrote:
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9999. Long overdue QSL received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-10 21:05:29 UTC
From: Mark Blanton
Topic: 9999 Message: 9999

In my bureau shipment today I received a card from UZ9CWA for a QSO back in April 1985 when I was still KE5SB. This beats my previous old QSL received record by 3 years. I wonder how many more are slowly creeping in from places unknown?

73,
Mark WC5M

10000. Re: [DX-IS] Long overdue QSL received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-10 22:48:50 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9999 Message: 10000

Mark, did they still have Box 88?
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mark Blanton" <wc5m@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 2:05 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Long overdue QSL received

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> in April 1985 when I was still KE5SB. This beats my previous old QSL
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> 73,
> Mark WC5M
>

10001. Long overdue QSL received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-11 03:52:34 UTC
From: K0BX
Topic: 9999 Message: 10001

I beat you, in my last shipment I received a QSL from VP8KF for QSO
dated 04-March-1984. He also confirmed it in LOTW.

Joe K0BX

Mark Blanton wrote:

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when I was still KE5SB. This beats my previous old QSL received record by 3 years. I wonder
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>73,
>Mark WC5M
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10002. RE: [DX-IS] Re: K5D on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-11 06:32:53 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9992 Message: 10002

N4BU? Is that the same N4BU that called me on RTTY yesterday?

My computer crashed, I hope she Marsha got my report?

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art Burke
Sent: Tuesday, 9 June 2009 7:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: K5D on LOTW

The physical K5D cards are also coming out big time. Marsha (N4BU) and I received our K5D QSLs yesterday.

I met Bob (N2OO) at Dayton a few weeks ago. Amazing he had time to be there! We had a brief chat about both DXing and county hunting.

Art - N4PJ

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> 73, Cedric HB9HFN
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10003. Re: K5D on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-11 10:52:43 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 9992 Message: 10003

Yes it is! I just glanced over at her log page - you're in the log!

She claims she prefers SSB cuz everyone will know she's a YL - and she thinks she'll get preferential treatment (I guess that's because she usually does!). But I introduced her to RTTY a few months ago.

Now she has even more opportunities to hog the antenna! :)

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...> wrote:
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10004. Re: Long overdue QSL received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-11 15:49:44 UTC
From: Mark Blanton
Topic: 9999 Message: 10004

I think Box 88 was used right up until 1989 or 1990.

Mark WC5M

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...> wrote:
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> Mark, did they still have Box 88?
> Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Mark Blanton" <wc5m@...>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 2:05 PM
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> > from places unknown?
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> > 73,
> > Mark WC5M
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10005. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-11 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10005

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
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IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
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IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
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Class X 01/01/01
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IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 11 Jun 069
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V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 10 Jun 002/005
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 12 Jun-14 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10006. ARLD023 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-11 23:10:10 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4595 Message: 10006

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ARLD023 DX news

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DX Bulletin 23 ARLD023
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 11, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD023 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KF4VTT, NC1L, VE1RSM, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AZERBAIJAN, 4J. Rashad, 4J9M has been active using RTTY on 17 and 15 meters around 2200z, as well as 10 meters around 1000z. QSL via DL7EDH.

TANZANIA, 5H. Stations for 5H3TSA, 5H3HO and 5H3ARC are QRV until June 19 from the Mbeya Region during the Tanzania National Scouts Jamboree, known as Tanzaree 2009. Activity is on 20 and 15 meters between 0600 and 2100z. QSL via operators' instructions.

ALGERIA, 7X. Members of the Algerian Radio Amateur Association and the Djelfa Radio Club will be QRV as 7U2ISM from June 16 to July 6 during the international Algerian Sahara HAM Meeting. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

NAURU, C2. Dani, EA4ATI and others will be QRV as C21TI from June 16 to 30. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters, including 60 meters, using CW and SSB, with two radios active. QSL via EA4ATI.

PORTUGAL, CT. Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be QRV as CT7/CU8AT during Green Days on June 13 and 14. This includes an entry on the Portugal Day contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. Carlos, CT3FQ plans to be QRV as CR3M during the Portugal Day Contest between 0530 and 2100z on 80 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

SCOTLAND, GM. Stations MM0DFV/p and GM0WRR/p will be QRV from the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park on June 13 and 14 during

Green Days. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via operators' instructions.

SOLOMON ISLANDS, H4. Mike, KM9D and Jan, KF4TUG are QRV as H44MY from Stirling Island, IOTA OC-162, and are here for about a week. Activity is on 40, 30 and 20 meters using mostly CW. QSL via OM2SA.

HUNGARY, HA. Sanyi, HA0HV is QRV as HG400HV until the end of 2009. Activity is on all HF bands and 6 and 2 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

SAN ANDRES ISLANDS AND PROVIDENCIA, HK0. Dennis, K7BV will be QRV as 5J0BV from San Andres, IOTA NA-033, from June 18 to 29. He will concentrate his activity on 6 meters sporadic-E but will also be active on the HF bands as well. QSL direct to home call.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Fred, PA0FAW is QRV with special event call sign PA09SHAPE until July 3 to celebrate Mode Biennale, which is the fashion month in Arnhem. QSL to home call.

SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE, S9. Georg, DK7LX will be QRV as S92LX from June 13 to 25. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

GREECE, SV. Operators Elizabeth, K4KTG, Michael, KC6ZUS and Jonathan, KI4UOU will be QRV as SV/K4KTG from Thira Island, IOTA EU-067, from June 15 to 30. QSL via K4KTG.

UKRAINE, UR. Members of the Lviv Branch of the Ukrainian Amateur Radio League are QRV as EM0WFF from the Roztochchia Nature Reserve until June 14. QSL via UT7WZ.

CANADA, VE. Bob, VE1RSM is QRV as home call/VY0 from Whitehorse, Yukon Territory until August 17. Activity is on all HF bands, particularly 40, 30 and 20 meters, using CW and SSB during his evenings and weekends. QSL to home call.

BERMUDA, VP9. Doug, KF4VTT is QRV as VP9/home call until June 17. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home call.

NIUE, ZK2. Chris is QRV as ZK2V until June 20. He has been active using RTTY on 30 meters around 0200 and 0800z. He has also been active on 60 meters around 0500z. QSL via N3SL.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Saudi Arabia, HZ1EA. If you had this operation rejected in a recent submission, please send a note to dxcc (at) arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL June VHF QSO Party, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Digital Pentathlon, ANARTS World Wide RTTY Contest, Portugal Day Contest, VK/Trans-Tasman 160-Meter Phone Contest,

Asia-Pacific SSB Sprint, GACW WWSA DX CW Contest, REF DDFM 6-Meter Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint are all scheduled for this weekend. The SARL Youth Day SSB Sprint is scheduled for June 16. Please see June QST, page 80 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10007. [425ENG] 425 DX News #945

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-12 15:43:20 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10007 Message: 10007

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13 June 2009 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 945
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5H - 5H3TSA will be active on 20 and 15 metres (+/- 14290 kHz and 21360 kHz) for Tanzaree 2009, the Tanzania National Scouts jamboree that will be held at Mbeya, southern Tanzania on 12-19 June. QSL direct via 5H3HO (Hidan Ricco, P.O. Box 661945, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania). [TNX K1XN]
7X - Bureaucratic hitches have caused Mike, DB1JAW to cancel his 13-20 June visit to Algeria [425DXN 944]. He was expected to be active as 7X/DB1JAW and to attend the International Sahara Meeting. [TNX DB1JAW]
8R - Dave/N3DB & Chris/W3CMP as 8R1DB (from 16 to 26 June) and Terry/K4RX & Ken/AC4TO as 8R1TO (from 27 June to 6 July) will operate on 6 metres from Guyana. QSL via N3DB, direct or bureau. The website for the expedition is at www.6meterbeaconproject.org/8r2009.html
9H - Giorgio, IV3EPO will be active holiday style as 9H3EP from Malta (EU-023) on 23-29 June. He plans to operate almost exclusively CW on 10, 15, 20, 30 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IV3EPO]
CE0Y - VK9LA (Lord Howe island) veterans Stan/SQ8X and Vicky/SV2KBS are looking for one or two operators to join a DXpedition to Easter Island (SA-001) from 31 October to 15 November. "It's not top most wanted DXCC", they say, "but there is still a strong demand on contacts with that entity - especially in Europe, which will be our main target". They plan to have two stations up and running for almost two weeks and to operate as CE0Y/homecall. Further details are expected in due course. Please visit http://dx-hamspirit.com/ for preliminary information and Stan's e-mail address. [TNX MM0NDX]
DU - Gerard, F2JD is back to the Philippines for at least five months. He hopes to be able to renew his previous licence (DU1/G0SHN) and to visit a few island groups during his stay. QSL via F6AJA. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]
F - Special event callsign TM6SCH will be in use on 15-28 June to

commemorate the 65th anniversary of the liberation of the city of Cherbourg. Expect activity on 80-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via F5LHB, direct or bureau. [TNX F8REF]
F - Francois, F5JNE will be active from Belle Ile (EU-048, DIFM AT-015) on 16-24 June. He plans to operate CW only on 40 and 20 metres during his evening hours. On 20 June he expects to go and operate, along with Max/F5IRH, from nearby Ile aux Chevaux (EU-048, DIFM AT-109). QSL via F5JNE, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
F - F1UGV, F4BJW, F5DBC, F5NLR and F5SRH will operate CW and SSB as TM5DUM from Dumet Island (EU-064) on 20-21 June. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX F8REF]
F - Jean-Pierre, F6ITD will be active as F6ITD/p from Belle-Ile (EU-048) on 20-28 June. He will operate SSB only on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]
F - Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of radioactivity pioneer and Nobel laureate Pierre Curie, special event station TM7RPC will be active from 21 June to 5 July. [TNX F1SIU]
FO - Phil, F5PHW will be living and working on Tahiti, French Polynesia for two years (August 2009-July 2011). He plans to be active as FO/F5PHW (but he will also try to get a FO5 callsign upon arrival) and to operate CW, RTTY and some SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via F8BPN, direct or bureau. Phil's logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information at http://f5phw.chez.com [TNX F5PHW]
FT5G - The French military amateur radio operators who will be active from Ile de la Grande Glorieuse (AF-011) on 9-28 July are Philippe/F4EGS, Freddy/F5IRO, Yves-Michel/F5PRU, Jean-Marc/F5RQQ and Sylvain/F5TLN. Their trip to Glorioso is first of all a military operation, not a DXpedition. At all events, they will have four complete stations with amplifiers, three Spiderbeams for the higher bands, verticals for 40 and 80 metres, an Inverted L for 160 metres and a K9AY array receiving system, plus a G5RV for 6 metres. They plan to be QRV during both the IARU HF World Championship and the IOTA Contest. Requested callsign is FT5GA (see "Iles Eparses" below). QSL via F5OGL, direct or bureau. Further information, including log-search, can be found at http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/ [TNX F5NQL]
GM - Jurij, MM0DFV and John, GM0WRR will be active portable from the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park during the WFF Green Days (http://wff44.com/en/contest/) on 13-14 June. They plan to operate SSB, CW and PSK. A special colourful QSL card will be printed. [TNX MM0DFV]
GM - Members of the Workington and District Amateur Radio Club will operate as MS0WRC from the Island of Barra (EU-010) from 26 September to 2 October. The team will include Steve/G0MTD, Paul/M1PAF, Mark/M0WCR and Glyn/M3XUH, and they will operate mainly SSB on 80-17 metres. QSL via G0MTD, direct or bureau. [TNX G0MTD]
GW - The Grantham Amateur Radio Club (http://www.garc.org.uk/) will be active as GB0YG from Holy Island (Ynys Gybi, EU-124) on 24-29 June. QSL direct only via G0RCI. [TNX G0RCI]

I - Alex, IK8YFU, and Giovanna, IZ8FEV will be active as IF9/IQ8PP
from Favignana Island (EU-054, IIA TP-011) on 18-25 July. QSL via
IK8YFU. [TNX IK8YFU]
JA - Look for 7N4AGB/6, JA1KJW/6, JA1XEQ/6, JJ1JGI/6 and JK1EBA/6 to be
active from the Daito Islands (AS-047) from 25 June to 5 July, and
from Tokashiki Island (AS-017) on 7-10 July. They plan to operate
CW and SSB on 160-6 metres, with an emphasis on the low bands. QSl
via home call,s direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]
JA - Look for JJ2JQF/0 and JH9UYZ/0 to be active on all bands and modes
from Awa Island (AS-117) on 26-30 June. QSL via home calls, direct
or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]
JT - Giampiero, I5NOC will be active as JT1NOC from Mongolia on 12-29
June. He will operate CW and SSB on 10-80 metres, and will also
give 6m a try. QSL via home call. [TNX IK5HHA]
KH2 - 7L4CEC, JA1BVY, JA1CJP, JA1HOD, JH1EMT, JJ1CDY, JL1FYW and JR1QCQ
expect to be signing KH2/homecall from Guam (OC-026) until 14
June. Look for them on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL
via home calls. [TNX JA1CJP]
KL - The KL7RRC team (KE7V, N3QQ and UA9OBA) has been active as
KL7RRC/p from Ogliuga Island (NA-233) [425DXN 943] since 10 June.
They plan to remain there until 14 June, then, depending on boat
availability, they might go and operate as KL7RRC/a from the Rat
Islands (NA-070). QSL via UA9OBA (Russia and Europe) and N7RO
(others). Updates can be found at http://na-233.ucoz.com/
LA - LA1MNA, LA1LSA, LA5ZN and LA9RY will be active on 6 metres and the
HF bands as LA7H from Utsira Island (EU-055) on 12-14 June. QSL to
LA7H, direct or bureau. ?^TNX www.rgsbiota.org]
PA - Celebrating his Silver Jubilee with amateur radio, Adriaan, PE2KP
(previous callsign PE1KHP, www.pe2kp.nl) will be active again as
PE25KP from 25 July to 16 August. QSL via bureau to PE2KP. [TNX
PE2KP]
SM - Jorgen, SM3CXS will be active as SG3U from Trasko Island (EU-084)
until 16 June and from Grimskar Island (EU-176) on 18-21 June. He
operates SSB and CW on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
SV - Elizabeth/K4KTG, Michael/KC6ZUS and Jonathan/KI4UOU will be active
as SV/K4KTG from Thira (Santorini) Island (EU-067) between 15 June
and 30 July. QSL via K4KTG. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
SV5 - Pandelis (SV5AZP), Stathis (SV5DKL), Dionisis (SV5FRD), Panagiotis
(SV5AZK) and Yiannis (SV5FRI) will be active as SX5SYMI from the
island of Symi, Dodecanese (EU-001) from 31 July to 3 August. They
plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL direct to
SV5FRI. Further information at http://sx5symi.symiakos.gr; details
on the Greek Islands On The Air (GIOTA) award programme visit
http://www.5-9report.gr/giota/index.htm [TNX SV5FRI]
SV9 - Ron, WB2GAI is celebrating his Golden Jubilee in amateur radio and
will be active again as SV9/WB2GAI/p from Crete from 21 August to
5 October. He will operate CW on 80-17 metres. QSL via bureau.
[TNX WB2GAI]
TZ - Ed/W0SD, Arliss/W7XU and Holly/N0QJM will be active as TZ6EI from

Bamako, Mali from 26 June to 5 July [425DXN 941]. Although their primary focus will be 6 metres on 50103 kHz, there will be RTTY operation concurrent with activity on 6m, plus CW and SSB operation at night after six meter sporadic E is over. The HF bands will likely to be limited to 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via W7XU. Further information at http://w0sd.com/mali/mali.htm [TNX W0SD]
UA - Look for RN1AW/p, RV1AQ/p and UA1ATI/p to be active from Peschany Island (EU-133, RR-01-14) on 15-23 June. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX RN1AW]
UA - Alik, RX9WN will be active as RX9WN/0 from Kharantsy Island (RR-21-12) and possibly also Olkhon Island (RR-21-01) between 19 and 21 June. Both the islands are located in Lake Baikal and do not count for IOTA. [TNX RX9WN]
UR - Members of the Ternopil Amateur Radio Club will be active as UR4BZB/p from Medobory Nature Reserve on 12-14 June. QSL via UT1BC. [TNX UR5BCP]
UR - Vladimir, UU6JJ plans to be active from the lighthouse at Mys Lukull (ARLHS UKR-135) on 13-14 June. He will operate CW and some SSB on 40-15 metres. Complete information on the Ukrainian Lighthouses Award can be found at http://www.lights.in.ua [TNX US4LGW]
VE - Rene, DL2JRM was active as VE1/DL2JRM from Bells Island (NA-081) a couple of days ago, and will operate again as VE1/DL2JRM from Long Island (NA-127) on 13-15 June. Look for him on 80-10 metres CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
VE - George, WW4GA will be active as WW4GA/VO1 from Newfoundland (NA-027) from 18 June to 9 July. QSL direct to home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
VE - Mike, K9AJ and Bruce, KD6WW will be active as K9AJ/VY0 and KD6WW/VY0 from Thomson Island (NA-185) from the local evening on 31 July through the local morning of 3 August. They will have two stations and will operate CW and SSB around the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via home calls. The NA-185 IOTA group is offshore Rankin Inlet, Nunavut, on the western shore of Hudson Bay and was activated only once by NU2L/VE8 back in 1993. [TNX K9AJ]
YU - Special prefixes YU2009, YT2009, YU09, YT09, YT25 and YU25 will be in use from 12 June to 12 July to promote the XXV Summer Universiade (the World University Games organized by the International University Sports Federation) that will be held in Belgrade, Serbia on 1-12 July. [TNX www.yu1srs.org.rs]
YV - The Radio Club Venezolano will be active as YW9A from the rare Amazonas State on 20-24 June. QSL via YV5AJ, direct or bureau. Information on the Diploma Estados Venezolanos (Venezuelan States Award) can be found at http://radioclubvenezolano.org/concurso.htm

PACIFIC TOUR 2009 ---> Karl-Heinz, DL2FAG will be active from Niue and Samoa in October and November as follows:
19/10-07/11 ZK2DL Niue Island (OC-040)
17/11-30/11 5W0KH Upolu Island, Samoa (OC-097)

He plans to operate mainly RTTY, PSK and SSB on 10-80 metres, using a Triple leg multiband and dipoles. After Niue and before Samoa he will will be visiting New Zealand's South Island (OC-134) and be active sporadically as ZL4/DL2FAG. QSLs via home call. Log searches will be available at www.qsl.net/dl2fag.

PACIFIC TOUR 2010 ---> Wallis Island has been added to the itinerary of the 22-day Pacific tour that is being organized to take place next year [425DXN 929]. A multi-national team of 14 operators led by Hrane, YT1AD will be active from Tokelau (ZK3, 30 September-3 October), Central Kiribati (T31, 5-10 October) and Wallis Island (FW, 12-14 October). Details are expected in due course. Updates will be posted to the expedition's website at http://www.yt1ad.info/t31/index.html [TNX YT3W]

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CQ SIXTY METRES ---> Sixty metres enthusiasts can find lots of useful information at http://www.60meters.net/, including information on current and upcoming DX activities on 5 MHz gathered by Joe, W8GEX.

ILES EPARSES ---> Previously placed under the administration of the prefect of Reunion, the so-called Iles Eparses (Scattered Islands, including Europa, Juan de Nova, Glorioso and Tromelin) have been administered by the French Southern and Antarctic Lands (TAAF) since 3 January 2005 and have constituted the TAAF 5th district since 21 February 2007. Amateur radio callsigns will be affected by the change as follows: Europa = FT#E, Glorioso = FT#G, Juan de Nova = FT#J, Tromelin = FT#T.

QSL 9J2FR & 9J2AA ---> Claudio, IK2RZQ says he still has logs and blank cards for either Renzo/9J2FR and Rosa Angela/9J2AA. Requests can be sent direct or via the bureau.

QSL HV50VR ---> Please note that the new QSL route is via IV3KKW: the person in charge is still Alessandro Carletti (formerly known as IW0GPN), who received his brand new callsign a few days ago. QSL direct only or LoTW. Alex says that all of the requests received so far have been processed and mailed.

SOUTH AFRICA ---> Effective 10 June, amateur radio operators from South Africa have full access to the 40m band (7000-7200 kHz), and ZR licencees are allowed to operate on 14225-14350 kHz. [TNX ZS4BS]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Ted Collins (G4UPS), Pietro Piccolo (I3UAZ), Anthony W. Malesic (K3BHL), Larry Duncan (K4WLS), Manoel Santos (PY2CJW), Jurij A. Golovanov (RA2FW), Vadim V. Kononov (U3HB), George Sanford Ardern (W4DUP), Edwin A. Andress (W6KUT) and Russell A. Baird (ZL4DJ).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8GT, 3D2AD, 3D2VB, 3DA0VB, 3XD2Z, 4K9W, 4O3A, 4S7DA, 4U1UN, 4V4JR, 5H1X, 5H3RK, 5H3VMB, 5K0T (NA-132 and NA-133), 5R8VB, 5Z4/RW1AU, 7Q7VB, 7X0RY, 8Q7SC, 9J2FM, 9J2VB, 9K2YM, 9U0VB, 9X0BV, A35VB, A61Q, A71MA, A92GR, BG4TRF, BH4QAK, C91FC, C91VB, CU3AD, CW6V, CX7CO, D20VB, D2BB, D44TXI, D60VB, DV5PO, E44M, E51MMM, E71DX, EA9CF, EA9PY, EL2AR, ES1CW, EU3AR, EW8KY, FK/G3MXJ, FM5BH, FW5RE, GJ0KYZ, H40FN, HC2AQ, HI9/EA3BT, HI9/EA3WL, HK0/EA7HEJ, HK1X, HL3IUA, HP1AC, HV0A, HV50VR, J75KG, JD1BMH, JT1DN, JW1CCA, JW5LJA, K5D, KG4AS, KH0PR, KH0UA, KH6BB, KH8/N9YU, KP2/K3TEJ, KP4KE, KP4YI, L21D (SA-021), LX1FX, LX8RTTY, LX9SW, OA4TT, OK1TN, OM7M, PS0F, PY0FF, R1ANB, R1ANC, R1ANP, S04R, T30M, T30VB, T32YY, T33ZZ, T48K, T88CI, T8CW, T8NF, TI5N, TO5A, TR8CA, UK9AA, UN1L, UN5J, UN7BEW, US0KW, V63MB, V63PR, VK0BP, VK9N/G3MXJ, VK9XHZ, VP5/K7LAZ, VP5DF, VP8/LZ1UQ, VP8DLJ, VP8YLI, VR2XMT, VU2NKS, XE1KK/XF1 (NA-124), XE2HWB/XF1 (NA-078), XX9BB, YB2ECG, YJ0AQY, YJ0MXJ, YK1BA, YN2WW, Z29KM, Z36A, Z36W, ZL7T.

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10008. [425ENG] 425 DX News #945 [Calendar]

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Seattle, WA June 12, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP024
ARLP024 Propagation de K7RA

Sunspot numbers from May 31 through June 5 ranged from 13 to 23, then the Sun was blank for two days, followed by sunspot numbers of 12 for both June 8 and 9. This fleeting sunspot was number 1020, and like last week's spot, 1020 had the magnetic signature of a new Cycle 24 spot. Alas, it was another of the frequent sunspots we've seen lately which appear briefly, then vanish.

The last Cycle 23 spot was number 1016, which appeared April 29-30.

Leonard Halversen, WA2AMW of Princeton, New Jersey asked how Cycle 24 spots are differentiated from Cycle 23 spots, and we last mentioned this in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP044 from 2008, so now is a good time to go over it again.

The sunspots have a magnetic signature. As you watch them move from left to right, they lead with a dark patch in front and a white tail in the rear. That is how Cycle 24 spots appear above the equator, and it is just the opposite south of the Sun's equator. Also, new cycle spots tend to appear at higher northern or southern latitudes away from the equator, while old cycle spots appear nearer the equator.

Go to http://sohowww.nascom.nasa.gov/data/realtime/ to look for images. Click on the "Search and Download Images" link, and select MDI Magnetogram from the image types. Try entering start/end dates of April 28 and April 30 of this year, and click Search. Select one of the links from the middle of the list, and note that the sunspot on the right side is near the equator, indicating a spot from the old cycle, and that it leads with black on the right. Because it is slightly below the equator, this indicates a Cycle 23 spot. If it were above the equator, a Cycle 23 spot would lead with white on the right side.

Now go back and search dates June 1 through June 3. Note that you can up the resolution to 1024 from 512. Select one of these images, and note the large sunspot above the equator has a Cycle 24 signature.

Still more comments arrived this week about how dead bands may be an illusion. Guy Cossette, VA2WT of Saint Roch de Mekinac in Quebec wrote to tell us about his 80 and 40 meter operation. Using 100 watts CW and a 40 meter dipole, he worked Crete, Cyprus and Tunisia at 2200z and he also worked Cyprus on 80 meters at 2300z.

Ken Sturgill, WS4V in Marion, Virginia says he likes to use the intelligent features at http://www.ve7cc.net/. If you wish, you can set it for the countries you are looking for, and you can also set it to only accept spots from tipsters in your country, so you get the spots you can work. He recommends hitting the "Tell Cluster" button often, so the info isn't lost. He also recommends reading the manual.

Jim Sullivan, N7TCF of Phoenix, Arizona likes to use "DX Sherlock," at http://www.vhfdx.net/spots/map.php. He uses it to check out band conditions, mainly on 6 meters. One feature I like is the Es MUF tab, where you can see the MUF in various places. I believe this data comes from ionospheric sounders (ionosondes), which fire a sweeped RF signal straight up and then measure the strength and frequency of the signals bouncing back.

Mark Lunday, WD4ELG of Hillsborough, North Carolina sent a link to a nice map mash-up of 6 meter beacon stations at, http://www.k9mu.com/map/. Mark wrote:

"I have also been experimenting with WSJT weak signal software from Joe Taylor, K1JT. It's pretty neat to tinker with meteor scatter on 6 meters, and very challenging with my modest station. But I have really gotten addicted to JT65A mode on 20 meters. There always seems to be somebody on the air in the vicinity of the calling frequency of 14076 kHz, and I have worked some terrific DX that I normally would struggle with from here with 20 watts. I have also heard DU on JT65A for the first time ever on any band or mode! All of my QSOs have been with 40 watts or less, mostly with 20 watts. In just two months of part-time operation, I have worked 25 countries on JT65A including VK, JA, CX, lots of Europeans. Also, I worked ZS6 on 80 meter WSJT last weekend! There were horrendous thunderstorms all up and down the east coast, but the software decoded just fine. I could barely see the DX on the WSJT spectrum waterfall, and decoded his CQ almost by accident while doing something else in the shack."

For this week, geomagnetic conditions should remain very quiet. Solar flux is estimated to be about 68, rising above 70 June 24 through July 1.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

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Sunspot numbers for June 4 through 10 were 17, 13, 0, 0, 12, 12, and 0 with a mean of 7.7. 10.7 cm flux was 71, 70.1, 69, 68.9, 69, 69.1, and 69.2 with a mean of 69.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 6, 5, 6, 4, 3 and 5 with a mean of 5. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 5, 5, 2, 3, 2, 2 and 2 with a mean of 3.
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10010. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
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III. Event Probabilities 13 Jun-15 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 12 Jun 069
Predicted 13 Jun-15 Jun 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 12 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 11 Jun 002/003
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Predicted Afr/Ap 13 Jun-15 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 Jun-15 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10011. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-13 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10011

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to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. The visible disk was
spotless. No flares were observed for the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (14-16 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (14-16 June).
III. Event Probabilities 14 Jun-16 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Jun 068
Predicted 14 Jun-16 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 13 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Jun 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 13 Jun 003/004
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10012. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #912

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-14 18:29:57 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10012 Message: 10012

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 7th-June, through Sunday, 14th-June there were 208 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5H, TANZANIA (2009 Scout Jamboree). The 2009 Tanzania National Scout's Jamboree will be held at Mbeya Region, southern part of Tanzania, between June 12-19th. Look for 5H3TSA to be on air on 20 meters and 15 meters (14290 and 21360 kHz). QSL direct only to 5H3TSA.

5R8, MADAGASCAR (Update). Texas DX Society (TDXS) member, Wayne, W5KDJ, will be active as 5R8KD from Antananarivo between July 4-17th. Activity

will be on 160-6 meters using CW and RTTY. Wayne will also be active in the IARU Contest (July 11-12th) and operate from the shack of 5R8FU using his new TH-11-DX. QSL via his home callsign. Online log search will be available. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL.

9H, MALTA. Giorgio, IV3EPO, will be active as 9H3EP between June 23-29th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly CW. QSL via IV3EPO, by the Bureau or direct.

A35, TONGA (Update). Paul, A35RK, on Wednesday, June 10th, informed OPDX that "I have received many requests for 'skeds', for several bands and modes. Unfortunately, I am not able to accommodate anyone at this time. I'm too busy, and I am unable to 'promise' to keep any sort of radio schedule at the moment." Pauls states, "My internet connection is intermittent, and I often cannot respond to incoming E-mail. Please ask your readers NOT to send any more requests for skeds. I will be here in Vava'u (OC-064) for about 2 more weeks, and then will return to Ha'apai (OC-169). In the meantime, I will be as active on the air as I can be."

ANTARCTICA EXPEDITION PLANNED. Operators Jean Pierre/ON7ZM and Mehdi/F5PFP are planning an expedition to Antarctica that will probably take place during the Arctic summer of 2011-2012. Mehdi states, "It could be a 6-7 weeks expedition in a way to reach some old bases and refuges which are situated below the Antarctic polar circle, (Loubet coast, Fallieres coast, Marguerite Bay, and we hope one accessible island at least belonging to Alexander Island group)." If someone wishes to join them as an operator or tourist, send Mehdi an E-mail at: f5pfp@...
More details are forthcoming.

C2, NAURU (Reminder). Dani, EA4ATI/9M2TI, and possibly other operators are expected to activate Nauru in the Pacific (refer to OPDX.894) as C21TI between June 16-26th. Activity will be on all HF bands including 60m and 6m. The suggested frequencies mentioned (as of now) are:
CW - 1825.5, 3505, 7005, 10110, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025
SSB - 1825.5, 3799, 5371.5, 7065, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
6m - 50.115 MHz (CW/SSB)
Visit their new Web page at http://c21ti.madrono.net/index.html

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND (SA-001). Operators Stan/SQ8X and Vicky/SV2KBS are planning to be active as CE0Y/homecall from here between October 31st and November 15th. They are looking for one or two operators to join them on this operation. Plans are to have two stations on the air. They understand that Easter Island (SA-001) is not on most wanted lists, but there is a demand by some European stations to work CE0Y (this will be their main goal). More details will be forthcoming.

CQ NEWS..... (Press Releases via Richard Moseson, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio):
* CQWW Adds New "Xtreme" Category (Hicksville, NY - June 10th) - A new "Xtreme" category is being added to the CQ World Wide DX Contest to encourage the development of new technologies in amateur radio communi-cations in general and contesting in particular. According to CQ WW

Contest Director Bob Cox, K3EST, this new category has been established to allow amateurs to participate in the CQ WW contest while experimenting creatively with Internet-linked stations and other new technologies. "Contesters are often early adopters of new technologies," said Cox, "and we want to encourage this as a continuation of ham radio's pioneering spirit. However, many of these technologies are not currently permitted in any existing CQ WW categories. The Xtreme category will allow these stations to compete, but only with other stations using new technologies."

Scoring for logs submitted in the new category will be a mix of standard CQ WW scoring plus a more subjective score for level of innovation and originality, as determined by a panel of judges on the CQ WW Contest Committee. The highest-scoring entries in the single-operator and multi-operator categories will win the John Kanzius, K3TUP, Memorial plaques, sponsored by Tim Duffy, K3LR. Kanzius, a prominent contester, was also an experimenter who developed a potentially ground-breaking approach to cancer treatment in the course of his own, ultimately unsuccessful, battle with the disease.

The new category will take effect with the 2009 CQ World Wide DX Contest this fall. It was introduced to contesters at the 2009 Dayton Hamvention and received an immediate positive response. Complete details of the Xtreme category are in the June issue of "CQ" and are on the CQWW page of the CQ magazine website, <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/>

* "CQ" Propagation Editor Challenges Revised Solar Cycle (Hicksville, NY - June 10th) - "CQ" magazine's Propagation Editor is challenging the accuracy of the newest predictions on Solar Cycle 24. The revised prediction, issued in late May by a panel of solar experts, suggests a weak sunspot cycle with a peak in 2013. But "CQ" Propagation Editor Tomas Hood, NW7US, is asking "How Credible Are These 'Experts'?"

In an online commentary posted on the "CQ" magazine website, Hood notes that this same group of so-called "experts" has issued multiple predictions for this cycle already, all of which they now say are wrong, and asks why we should believe they're right this time.

"How much credibility should we grant to the panel of solar researchers and scientists that again releases a speculative prediction of the new Solar Cycle?" Hood asks, noting that NASA's lead representative on the panel says "it turns out that none of our models were totally correct."

Hood points out that, while the sun itself is millions of years old, scientists have been tracking solar activity for just a few hundred years. "In my view," he says, "it is pretty arrogant to postulate that mankind has any real understanding and handle on what the sun might do next."

"No one can postulate with any credibility just how intense the new cycle will be because there's no direct correlation between this solar minimum and any regular pattern of past minimums," Hood notes, adding, "If none of the models are totally correct, how are they making this current prediction with such dismal expectations? I'm not holding my

breath in favor of supporting any of the predictions at this point."
He also points out that there are already signs of "an awakening
Solar Cycle 24," and encourages hams to "enjoy the unique propagation
opportunities currently presenting themselves during this quiet phase,"
and to "prepare now for whatever the sun will do by honing your radio
skills...."
The complete text of Hood's commentary is on the CQ website at
<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com> and may be accessed by clicking
the "online commentary" link on the lefthand side of the home page.

DXCC 2008 YEARBOOK. Many have received their yearbook this past weekend.
Keep watching your mailbox for it.

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Nigel, G4KIU, now active as E51SC from
the Island of Rarotonga (OC-013), was quite active this past weekend
on RTTY on 20 meters and PSK31. He moved to the South Cook Islands and
is expected to also be active on 80-10 meters mainly on SSB, RTTY, PSK31
and with some CW. Nigel announced this past week he will be an entry in
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op. Direct QSLs are to
be sent to: Nigel Peacock, P.O. Box 880, Rarotonga, Cook Islands (via
New Zealand). Please send a SAE, plus 2 USDs or 2 new style IRCs. Any
direct cards received without the above items will be returned via the
Bureau. Bureau QSLs go to: E51SC via G4KIU/RSGB. **IMPORTANT** There is
no QSL Bureau in the Cook Islands. Cards without G4KIU on them will NOT
be received. Please "DO NOT" send direct cards to any G4KIU address in
England - they will NOT arrive. All E51SC contacts will be loaded to
LoTW about once a week. He does not use e.QSL at all.

F, FRANCE (LH Op). Operators Michel/HB9DLO, Pascal/HB9DWR and Pierre-Yves/
HB9OMI will be active as F/HB9LH/p from the Lac du Bourget lighthouse
(ARLHS FRA-827, DEP. 73, CP 73100, DDCF 7303) in Phare d'Aix-les-Bains,
between 0800z, June 20th and 1600z, June 21st. Activity will be on 3670,
7070 and 14270 kHz (+/- QRM) SSB, and CW and/or other bands according
to the propagation. QSL via HB9DLO, by the Bureau or direct. Visit their
Web page at: http://www.hb9lh.ch

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). Didier, F5OGL, Glorioso 2009 team leader,
announced this past week that the Glorioso 2009 team gathered at Frank's,
F4AJQ, QTH last weekend (June 6-7th), with some F6KOP team members. During
these two days the whole time was spent tuning the antennas, teaching
DXpeditioners about their settings, and to coordinating all of the packages.
The final setup was 4 complete stations (each with at least a 800 watts PA)
that will be shipped to Glorioso's main island. They plan to be active
as much as possible during the 24 hour day. Their antenna system will
consist of 2 Spiderbeams for 20/15/10m and another for 30/17/12m. They
will also have an Inverted L for 160m, one V10, one V80 and one HF2V
for 80-40m. Some other vertical elements were packed as well as a K9AY
array receiving system. A 6 meters station will monitor the Magic band
but only into a G5RV antenna. The complete crew (and they hope it will
not change) consists of: Freddy/F5IRO, Yves/F5PRU, Jean-Marc/F5RQQ,
Sylvain/F5TLN, Philippe/F4EGS and three SIRPA agents: Florence (YL)

journalist, Yann (director and cameraman) and Didier (cameraman and sound engineer). They would like to thank Jeff/F6AOJ, Floyd/N5FG, Toshi/JA1ELY, Mike/UA0ME and Lee/ZL2AL for being their pilot stations. It was mentioned that they would also like to thank Floyd/N5FG and Jeff/F6AOJ for their big efforts in the back office. For the first time the callsign to be used for the Glorioso operation will be under the new French Antarctic and Austral Territories (TAAF) regulation and is expected to be FT5GA."
ADDED NOTE: As of 2005, the "Iles Eparses", Gloriosos, Tromelin, Juan da Nova and Europa Islands are now put under the new TAAF authority. All future callsigns, for these areas, will be issued with the following prefixes:
FR/G becomes FT#G Gloriosos FR/T becomes FT#T, Tromelin
FR/E becomes Ft#E, Europa FR/J becomes FT#J, Juan da Nova

No changes for FT#W (Crozet), FT#Y (Terre Adelie), FT#X (Kerguelen) and FT#Z (Amsterdam).

GB2, ENGLAND (LH Op). Members of the "Bittern DX'ers" will activate for the 8th time "Blakeney Mariner's Light" GB2BML for the ILLW 2008, on the weekend of August 15-16th. Reference numbers are: ENG-292 and WLOTA 1841). Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV, PSK31, and 2m FM/SSB. QSL via M0CNP, direct or by the Bureau. Visit the Bittern DX'ers Web page at: http://www.bittern-dxers.org.uk

HG400, HUNGARY (Special Event). Sanyi, HA0HV, is currently active using the special callsign HG400HV through the end of the year (December 31st). Activity is to celebrate his town's 400th anniversary, which was established by the "hajduk" who called their settlement "Hajduboszormeny". The town Hajduboszormeny is in eastern Hungary with a population of approximately 32,000 people. Sanyi expects to operate on all HF bands plus 6 and 2 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via HA0HV, by the HA Bureau or direct using the QRZ.com address.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-117. (Special Event/WLOTA Op) Members of the Tokyo Dental College RC (JA1YUC) will activate the special event callsign 8J120TDC/2 from Mikomoto Island (WLOTA-2126) between July 26-28th. Activity will mostly be on 40/20/17/15 meters using CW and SSB which will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Special event callsign is to celebrate the 120th anniversary of the Tokyo Dental College. Mikomoto Island lighthouse WLOTA number will be activated for the first time. The lighthouse was also selected by the International Association of Lighthouse Authorities (IALA) as one of 100 lighthouses particularly important historically in various countries of the world. QSL via JA1YUC, by the bureau or address on QRZ.com.

EU-008. Michael, DL6MHW, will be active as MM/DL6MHW from the Ilse of Mull, Scotland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via DL6MHW.

EU-010. Members of the Workington and District Amateur Radio Club will once again be active as MS0WRC from Crannag Cottage, NE Coast Isle of Barra (IOSA OH-11, SCOTIA HI-02, WAB NF70, WLOTA 3126), Outer Hebrides, from September 26th to October 3rd. Operators mentioned are: Steve/G0MTD, Paul/M1PAF, Mark/M0WCR and Glyn/ M3XUH. Activity will be on all HF bands but mainly 80/40/20/17 meters SSB and VHF/UHF FM. The group also plans to travel around the island (active as mobile or portable) and possibly activate some rare WAB Squares. QSL direct to G0MTD or by the Bureau to either MS0WRC or G0MTD. More information can be found on Steve's Web page at: http://www.g0mtd.co.uk

EU-049. Theo, SV1EJD, will be active as SV8/SV1EJD while on vacation from Lesvos Island between July 12-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and RTTY. More details will be forth-coming on: http://www.sv1ejd.gr/lesvos.htm

EU-064. Operators Jean-Michel/F1UGV, Nicolas/F4BJW, Jean-Marc/F5NLR, Olivier/F5SRH and Henri/F5DBC will be active as TM5DUM from the Dumet Island (DIFM AT 018), June 20-21st. Activity will be on the HF and VHF bands, propagation permitting, using CW and SSB. For details on the island, go to: http://www.france-secret.com/dumet_art.htm QSL per operator's instructions.

EU-105. Theo, ON4ATW, informs OPDX: "The Rockall 2009 group will participate in the IOTA contest from Ile de Batz, Finistere North. To recover from the trip to Rockall and to start preparation for a new attempt, the crew and the support team will join the DXpedition class in a Multi-Operator, Low-Power effort. Team members include ON3DX, ON4AHF, ON4ATW, ON4HIL, ON4IA, ON6CC, ON6LEO, ON6NL, ON6ZU and ON7YT. The call used will be F/OT2A and QSL will go via the home call."

EU-128. Sebastian, DL1AXX, will be active as DL1AXX/P from the small Island of Warder (O-32 for the German Island Award), between July 11-18th. Activity will be on 80/40/30 meters CW only. QSL via DL1AXX.

EU-176. Jorgen, SM3CXS, will once again be active from Grimskar Island (Grid JP81) as SG3U, June 18-21st. Activity will be limited to his spare time, but look for him on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via SM3CXS, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-055. Mike, W2IY, will be active as W2IY/1 from Mt. Desert, Maine, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via W2IY, by the Bureau or eQSL.

NA-185. Operators Mike/K9AJ and Bruce/KD6WW will team-up and be active as homecall/VY0 from the Thomson Island (CISA New One!), the Canadian offshore Rankin Inlet, Nunavut, starting during their local Friday evening, July 31st through their local Monday morning, August 3rd. Using two stations, look for them on or

near the usual IOTA frequencies using CW and SSB. QSL via their
home callsigns.

OC-130. Maarten "Moj", PA3GZU, will be active as DU9/PA3GZU from
Mindanao Island (WLOTA 2803), July 6th through August 1st.
Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands with low
power. QSL via his home callsign, the Bureau is preferred.

JT, MONGOLIA. Giampiero, "Peter", I5NOC, will be active as JT1NOC between
now and June 29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, possibly 6m, using
CW, SSB and PSK. He was heard this past weekend on 20 meters CW and PSK31.
QSL via I5NOC.

NZART MEMORIAL CONTEST. This special contest is on the air to commemorate
those from our ranks who lost their lives in World War II. The contest is
open to all operators and it is held the first Saturday and Sunday evenings
in July. A total of six operating periods; three each evening of one hour
each from 0800-1100z. Complete rules are available at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/contests/2009/2009-memorial-rules.pdf

OE100, AUSTRIA (Special Event). Members of the ICOM Radio Club Vienna
and the OVSV (Austrian IARU) will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the
Technical Museum Vienna by activating the special callsign OE100TMW
between June 17-21st, for 100 hours continuously on HF and VHF. During
this 100 hours, the Museum will be also open nonstop as they operate
this "radio-marathon". Every licensed amateur is invited to come to the
museum and operate the special station. Visit the following Web pages
for more info: http://www.hamradio.at/index.php?id=73
http://www.tmw.at/default.asp?al=Englisch&am=home

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Jukka/OH6LI and Kim/OH6KZP will be active
as OH0V from Geta (EU-002) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th)
as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via OH6LI.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION/TOUR. Gerben, PG5M, informs OPDX that he will be
activating three DXCC entities in the Pacific between September 6-27th.
His schedule is as follows:
September 6-7th: Fiji (OC-016); prefix 3D2
September 8-14th: Tuvalu (OC-015); Callsign will be T2G
September 15-16th: Fiji; prefix 3D2
September 17-23rd: Tarawa Island (OC-017), W. Kiribati; Callsign is T30G
September 24-27th: Fiji; prefix 3D2
The callsign is not known for Fiji, but he has requested 3D2G. This will
be an ultra light solo DXpedition and CW only. He will use an Elecraft K3,
and a 2x20m doublet plus vertical antennas. QSL via PG5M, by the Bureau
or direct. For direct requests, please enclose a minimum of 2 USDs for
return postage. More details and updates will be available on:
http://www.dx.to

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
FT5YJ/VP8DLM/CE9XX QSL STATUS. Mehdi, F5PFP, informs that he has replied
to all the direct QSL cards except for those who are waiting for cards

for: OA0/FT5YJ (Machu Picchu) and FT5YJ/p (Omega Island). He states, "I hope to receive these QSL cards soon from the QSL printer. In case of a problem, send me an E-mail." His E-mail address is: f5pfp@...

IRCS AVAILABLE. QSL Manager Steve, N3SL, reports: "As you might expect with an expedition going on (ZK2V), I have over 100 IRCs thus far, and they need to be moved out while they're still good..... I'll be selling these for 1.35 USDs each, postage paid."

MM0DFV/p and GM0WRR/p were expected to be active this past weekend from the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park (WFF reference number is GFF-009, park web info and map at: http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org) during the WFF Green Days Contest <http://wff44.com/en/contest/>. The station's location was at the Loch Lomond shore in the Rowardennan Forest (WAB NS39, Stirling Council Area). EU Area is SC30 for the EPC awards. As special colorful QSL card will be printed.

QSL N8O via PO BOX 517, Jefferson, OH 44047. Operator Andy, N8OFS, was active as portable caboose for the AC&J (ACJR) Railroad's 25th anniversary from Jefferson, OH.

HV50VR STATUS/QSL MANAGER'S NEW CALLSIGN. A new callsign for the HV50VR QSL Manager has been announced and it is IV3KKW. The address is still the same since February 2008, but Alex changed his callsign in June 2009. All info on his QSL policy is on: http://www.qrz.com/db/IV3KKW Alex informs us that as of today (June 9th) he has no QSL cards pending for HV50VR; all were answered.

Lee, ZL2AL, reports: "All direct ZL7T QSLs have been answered and the last bunch was mailed today (June 8th). The status is 'current' and will be checked on a FIFO basis within a week as they arrive. I am answering the bureau cards as they come in. Many thanks to all for your kind comments on our operation. ADDED NOTE: ZM2M (East Coast Contesters) cards are being checked as above and are current."

QSLS VIA LOTW: K5D (some), LX5A and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8MM, 3D2AD, 3XD2Z, 9J2FM, A71CT, CX7CO, H40FN, JD1BMH, JW5LJA, K5D, KH8/N9YU, KH0UA, PS0F, T30M, T30XX, T33ZZ, TO3R, VK0BP, VU2NKS and ZL7T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

S9, SAO TOME (AF-023). Just a reminder that Georg, DK7LX, will once again be active as S92LX and should be on the air by the time you read this through June 27th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail Bureau requests after the DXpedition to: dk7lx@...). A log search will be available at: http://www.logsearch.de

SILENT KEY. Glenn, K3SWZ, informs OPDX that Tony Malesic, K3BHL (ex-CP1JV, XH8HJ and HI8XDF), suffered a massive stroke at his home in Harrisburg, PA,

on Friday, June 5th, and became a Silent Key (SK) two days later at the age of 67 in a local hospital. He was retired from the State Dept. and lived in the Washington D.C. area during his last years with D.O.S. before retirement. His health had been failing over the last few years and he was inactive in Ham Radio. Tony provided the first RTTY QSOs ever from CP1 and XW8 during his tours there and was most active during his 3 year tour in HI8. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to Tony's family and friends.

SV9, Crete. Ron, WB2GAI, will be active as SV9/WB2GAI/P between August 21st and October 5th. This will be his third Dxpedition to Crete. Ron will be celebrating his 50th year in ham radio. Activity, as always, will be on CW and on 80-17 meters. All QSLs via the Bureau.

T7, SAN MARINO (6m Op). Members of the Amateurs Radio Republic of San Marino (A.R.R.S.M.) will activate their club station T70A on 6 meters June 20-21st, primarily looking to give those who need it for a new country on the band. Operators Filippo/IK4ZHH, Giorgio/IZ4AKS, Max/IZ4DPV, Michele/IZ4GWE, Stefano/IW2MJQ and Vittorio/I4YSS will compose the team that operates from the club station. They will use 3 antennas beamed in different directions. QSL via A.R.R.S.M. RADIO CLUB, P.O. Box 77, 47890 SAN MARINO, REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO.

TO7, MAYOTTE (AF-027). Willi, DJ7RJ, is expected to announce plans to be active as TO7RJ from Mayotte soon. QSL via DJ7RJ. More details are forthcoming.

TZ, MALI (Update). Ed, W0SD, updates OPDX that the TZ6EI DXpedition by operators Ed/W0SD, Holly/N0QJM and Arliss/W7XU will be primarily on six meters, June 26th through July 5th. The group will be on 50.103 MHz. Ed states, "We have our TZ6EI license and VISAs in hand and our necessary immunizations. We will be bringing backup equipment and have permission to operate from the roof of the Hotel Mande in Bamako. There will be RTTY operation concurrent with the six meter operation. There will be CW and SSB operations at night after six meter sporadic E is over. For HF, we are planning to operate on 30, 20 and 17 meters. The complete details are on the web site." QSL via W7XU. DX QSL cards need 2.00 USDs and a SAE or current IRCs. USA cards should have an SASE. Contributions to defray expenses can be sent with the QSL card. The logs will eventually be uploaded to LoTW. The Web page for the TZ6EI Mali operation is: http://w0sd.com/mali/mali.htm

UR, UKRAINE. Members of Ternopil Amateur Radio Club operated on June 12-14th as UR4BZB/p from Medobory National Preserve (URFF-015=2C URDA TE-013). QSL via UT1BC. Information about new award "W-UR-FF" can be found at: http://www.islands.org.ua/wurff/index_e.html

V3, BELIZE. Per, LA5OPA, will be active as V31NP from Ambergris Cay (NA-073) between July 26th and August 12th. Activity will be mostly on 20 meters SSB and PSK31. He will also operate on the other bands, if propagation is open to Europe. Per will be using 100 watts with a Buddipole antenna system. QSL via LA5OPA, by the Bureau or direct.

WP4, PUERTO RICO (LH Op). Members of the Caribbean Amateur Radio Group
(WP4CRG) will be active as W4L from the Arecibo Lighthouse (ARLHS PUR-001,
TWLHD WLH KP4-001), Puerto Rico (NA-099, USI PR-006S, WLOTA 2802) between
1200z, August 14th and 2359z August 23rd. This activity will include the
International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW, August 15-16th). Look
for them on the following frequncies:
SSB - 7150, 14225, 18122 and 28350 kHz
SSTV - 14230 kHz
QSL direct to: CARG, PO Box 140031, Arecibo, PR 00614-0031.

YU, SERBIA (Special Prefixes). Look for Serbian operators to use the
following special prefixes YT25, YU25, YU2009, YT2009, YU09 and YT09
between June 12th and July 12th. Activity is to help promote the 25th
Summer Universiade Belgrade 2009 sporting event (July 1-12th). This is
an Olympic type sport competition with 9000 students from 140 countries
competing in 15 sports and 208 disciplines. The official Universiade
Belgrade 2009 Web is at:
http://www.universiade-belgrade2009.org/eng/Contents/ContentDefault.aspx?temp=0&sid=50
For an up-to-date list of special callsigns/operators and QSL info, go to:
http://www.yu1srs.org.rs/dl/srs_doc/Znakovi_dodeljeni_Univerzijada.pdf

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mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

10013. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-14 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10013

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 165 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (15 - 17 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet for the next three days (15 - 17 June).
III. Event Probabilities 15 Jun-17 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 Jun 068
Predicted 15 Jun-17 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 14 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 13 Jun 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 14 Jun 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 15 Jun-17 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 15 Jun-17 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10014. What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 13:05:49 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10014 Message: 10014

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that's it. Any reports of flares? I can't seem to find anything
reported on the Internet, and the WWV numbers seem about the same as
they have been for a week.

73, Paul VE1DX

10015. Re: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 13:24:50 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 10014 Message: 10015

Paul,

I'm observing the same thing here in W9-land on 20M PSK-31! No DX on the waterfall, no DX on the stations heard on the Broad Band Decoder (similar to CW-Skimmer). I've rotated the beam (TH-7 at 50') in all the DX paths and called CQ with no responses. Last week it was Thailand, Hong Kong, China, Taiwan, Guam, Philippines, etc rolling in short path at 1300 UTC....

Maybe it'll get better later today???

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2009 8:05 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] What happened?

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that's it. Any reports of flares? I can't seem to find anything
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10016. Re: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 13:35:33 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10014 Message: 10016

At 10:24 AM 6/15/2009, you wrote:

>Paul,
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>I'm observing the same thing here in W9-land on 20M PSK-31! No DX on
>the waterfall, no DX on the stations heard on the Broad Band Decoder
>(similar to CW-Skimmer). I've rotated the beam (TH-7 at 50') in all
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>Thailand, Hong Kong, China, Taiwan, Guam, Philippines, etc rolling
>in short path at 1300 UTC....
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>73 es DX,
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>Gary - AB9M

Hi Gary,

Glad to know it isn't just me. Sure "feels" like one of those
days after a significant flare when the bands are dead. If you are
not hearing anything on PSK31, which should be able to pull very weak
signals out, then something is obviously wrong. Guess I can't put
off mowing the lawn any longer!

73, Paul VE1DX

10017. Re: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 13:40:46 UTC
From: mike giddings
Topic: 10014 Message: 10017

Hi Paul,

20M in really bad shape here too, no DX and very few european signals.Southern Europe seems to be hearing SE Asia and 8Q7TB but not even a whisper in London!

--- On Mon, 15/6/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] What happened?
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Monday, 15 June, 2009, 9:05 AM

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10018. RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 17:51:53 UTC
From: Robert Carroll
Topic: 10014 Message: 10018

From Solarcycle24.com I notice the solar wind is lower than I recall having seen it.
73
Bob W2WG

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of CSM(r) Gary Huber
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2009 9:25 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] What happened?

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Sent: Monday, June 15, 2009 8:05 AM
To: DX IS! <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] What happened?

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10019. RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 20:59:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10014 Message: 10019

At 02:51 PM 6/15/2009, you wrote:

> From Solarcycle24.com I notice the solar wind is lower than I
> recall having seen it.
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I check that page daily, Bob, but I haven't yet figured out if the decrease in solar wind is a good or bad thing! Those who are there discussing the physics of what is going on (or more to the point, what is not going on) are above me. Most seem to be PhD types in their areas of expertise.

Historically we wanted a steady solar wind, at least as I understood it. When the solar wind fluctuated (usually because of a CME), it caused Earth's GMF to fluctuate and created abnormal currents in the auroral electrojet. Basically I'm talking about the GM storms that took the bands out for a few days when we got a flare, which happened fairly often up until a couple of years ago.

The absolute value of the solar wind is a parameter I never followed, not understood how it would impact propagation. From what I can tell reading between the lines, the solar wind is just another "thing" that has been observed to decrease in the recent past. Is this correct? And are the conclusions they are drawing that it is another indication that we are in for extended low solar activity?

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Either way, am I correct in my guess that a low absolute value in the velocity of the solar wind is not a good thing for the long term outlook? Or did you mean that it was quiet and therefore it was unlikely we had a flare? Not that we can do anything about this stuff, but it's interesting to try and understand it.

73, Paul VE1DX

10020. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10020

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
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# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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10021. FS: ARRL 2008 DXCC yearbook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-15 22:30:11 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10021 Message: 10021

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10022. RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 00:49:26 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10014 Message: 10022

Solar wind is something that I have never investigated, but I am all ears...

Condx have been down here too, with 20m closing after sunset, though it is winter...

S92LX has been making it in on 40m in the morning but sigs not so great and I haven't heard ZY0F yet on any band.

There must be some Sunspots on their way, must be...

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, 16 June 2009 5:00 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

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10023. ARRL DXCC Yearbook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 03:45:42 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10023 Message: 10023

What was the first year of issue of the DXCC Yearbook ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

10024. Re: [DX-IS] ARRL DXCC Yearbook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 03:54:26 UTC
From: Tim / NOØC
Topic: 10023 Message: 10024

1993 according to the ARRL website.

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2009 10:45 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] ARRL DXCC Yearbook

What was the first year of issue of the DXCC Yearbook ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

10025. Re: [DX-IS] FS: ARRL 2008 DXCC yearbook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 11:03:56 UTC
From: Ralph Lambert
Topic: 10021 Message: 10025

John

If it is still available I am interested, contact me off the list.

ralph.lambert@...

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On Mon, Jun 15, 2009 at 6:30 PM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

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> 73s John AA5JG
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10026. Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 13:10:44 UTC
From: hjohnc1999
Topic: 10026 Message: 10026

I just got my copy of the 2008 DXCC Yearbook. On page 3 it says:

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How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was there.

73 de K1ESE
John

10027. Re: [DX-IS] FS: ARRL 2008 DXCC yearbook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 13:17:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10021 Message: 10027

Hi Ralph,

It has been sold, sorry.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 6/16/09, Ralph Lambert <ralph.lambert@...> wrote:

From: Ralph Lambert <ralph.lambert@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FS: ARRL 2008 DXCC yearbook
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2009, 6:03 AM

John

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10028. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 13:52:57 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10026 Message: 10028

Me too! How did I miss that one?

I've just about given up hope of ever working Bouvet.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Jun 16, 2009 at 8:10 AM, hjohnc1999 <hjohnc@...> wrote:

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> 73 de K1ESE
> John
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10029. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 14:01:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10026 Message: 10029

At 10:52 AM 6/16/2009, you wrote:

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73, Paul VE1DX

10030. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 14:08:30 UTC
From: na5u mlt
Topic: 10026 Message: 10030

Bob and Ralph led the Peter I Island DXpedition. Bob and Glenn (W0GJ) led K5D.

Mike, NA5U

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
To: DX IS! <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 9:01:41 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

At 10:52 AM 6/16/2009, you wrote:

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10031. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 14:13:47 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 10026 Message: 10031

Was it dated April 1? That's one I need too, darn.

73 de Peg KB9LIE

--- On Tue, 6/16/09, hjohnc1999 <hjohnc@...> wrote:

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10032. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 14:18:50 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10026 Message: 10032

Hi Peg,
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Maybe you and Paul can go there next year instead of FP!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 6/16/09, Peg Haese KB9LIE <kb9lie@...> wrote:

From: Peg Haese KB9LIE <kb9lie@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2009, 9:13 AM

Was it dated April 1? That's one I need too, darn.

73 de Peg KB9LIE

--- On Tue, 6/16/09, hjohnc1999 <hjohnc@gmail. com> wrote:

"2008 saw the return to the air of Bouvet Island, which had been off the air since 2002, with an excellent operation led by DX veteran co-leaders Bob Allphin, K4UEE, and Ralph Fedor, K0IR. Over 86,000 QSOs were made during this operation."

How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was there.

10033. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 14:34:13 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10026 Message: 10033

There was obviously some sort of a mix-up there. The only recent operation
from Bouvet that I can find was Petrus from late 2007 to Feb. 2008 as 3Y0E.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Jun 16, 2009 at 9:08 AM, na5u mlt <na5u@...> wrote:

>
>
> Bob and Ralph led the Peter I Island DXpedition. Bob and Glenn (W0GJ) led
> K5D.
>
> Mike, NA5U
>
> ------------------------------
> *From:* Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
> *To:* DX IS! <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Tuesday, June 16, 2009 9:01:41 AM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?
>
> At 10:52 AM 6/16/2009, you wrote:
>
> >Me too! How did I miss that one?
> >
> >I've just about given up hope of ever working Bouvet.
> >
> >73, Zack W9SZ
>
> It's a misprint, I would guess! Bob and Ralph were the K5D
> guys, and indeed Petrus didn't make 86,000 QSOs from Bouvet. Some
> day someone will got to Bouvet because it is creeping up there on the
> most wanted list. I believe the last serious DXpedition there was by
> a group of LA operators in early 1990. Since that there have only
> been two "part time" operations, with the lone op having other duties
> and only being on sporadically.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
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>

10034. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 16:44:06 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10026 Message: 10034

Obvious TYPO. Should be K5D.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: hjohnc1999
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 3:10 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

I just got my copy of the 2008 DXCC Yearbook. On page 3 it says:

"2008 saw the return to the air of Bouvet Island, which had been off the air since 2002, with an excellent operation led by DX veteran co-leaders Bob Allphin, K4UEE, and Ralph Fedor, K0IR. Over 86,000 QSOs were made during this operation."

How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was there.

73 de K1ESE
John

10035. Re: [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 17:15:05 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10026 Message: 10035

K5D was in 2009 though, not 2008.

If someone could put on an operation to Bouvet of the same quality as K5D,
I'd be very happy. Outstanding DXpedition!

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Jun 16, 2009 at 11:44 AM, John Peters <petersj007@...>wrote:

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>
> Obvious TYPO. Should be K5D.
>
> 73 John K1ER
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* hjohnc1999 <hjohnc@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Tuesday, June 16, 2009 3:10 AM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?
>
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> Allphin, K4UEE, and Ralph Fedor, K0IR. Over 86,000 QSOs were made during
> this operation."
>
> How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was
> there.
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> 73 de K1ESE
> John
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10036. Re: What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 21:53:15 UTC
From: Steve
Topic: 10014 Message: 10036

Fellow Radiators:

Solar wind above 400 km/sec are a concern for Hams. But other factors may mitigate higher speeds. A quick real time glance of current conditions may be found at :

http://www.ips.gov.au/Space_Weather

Click on "Solar Wind Speed" and read the diagram's explanation below the diagram.

Another chart which will become useful is at :
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/forecasts/MA/MAhr.txt

Steve, NU7T

10037. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10037

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 167 Issued at 2200Z on 16 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 15/2100Z
to 16/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. A 10 degree filament
(S15E30) disappeared between 15/2309Z and 16/0104Z. A slow moving
CME was visible in the SOHO/LASCO imagery associated with this
event. The visible solar disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 15/2100Z to 16/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels the last 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain at quiet levels for the next three days (17-19
June).
III. Event Probabilities 17 Jun-19 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 16 Jun 068
Predicted 17 Jun-19 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 16 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 15 Jun 004/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 16 Jun 003/004
Predicted Afr/Ap 17 Jun-19 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 Jun-19 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10038. ZL7T QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-16 23:10:47 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 9633 Message: 10038

Hi All
All Direct and buro QSLs have been mailed and the status is "Current" If anyone needs a card the turn around time is within 24 hours plus the travel time to your location.

73, Lee ZL2AL

10039. RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-17 02:31:05 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 10014 Message: 10039

The lords of propagation were in downtown Pittsburgh observing the Stanley Cup parade/celebration, naturally.

If only they were baseball fans, in addition to hockey and football fans... *sigh*

-----Original Message-----
What happened?
Posted by: "Paul M Dunphy" list_dx@... ve1dx
Date: Mon Jun 15, 2009 6:07 am ((PDT))

Bands in really bad shape this AM. 4-5 weak signals on 20 and that's it. Any reports of flares? I can't seem to find anything reported on the Internet, and the WWV numbers seem about the same as they have been for a week.

73, Paul VE1DX

10040. Re: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-17 10:01:57 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10014 Message: 10040

I'll turn OFF HAM RADIO for a good Boston Bruins [Hockey] game against Pittsburg anytime!!

Would that count towards anything??

DD, W1MCE
[Bruins fan for 50+ years] [Ham for 55 + years]

----- Original Message -----
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 10:31 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

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Cup parade/celebration, naturally.

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they have been for a week.

73, Paul VE1DX

10041. RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-17 14:04:05 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 10014 Message: 10041

Pittsburg?

Nah, I'll let it pass. I'll let the other obvious wisecrack pass as well.

But I'm afraid you'll have to wait until sometime in the fall or next winter to see that hockey game.

Meanwhile, they've had to fish the Stanley Cup out of Mario's swimming pool... again...

But I sure wish I could accompany the Cup on its travels this summer with the players. Especially when it goes oversees. What a Special Event DX station that operation would make!

73

-----Original Message-----
From: "Deacon Dave" w1mce@... w1mce
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2009 3:02 am ((PDT))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

I'll turn OFF HAM RADIO for a good Boston Bruins [Hockey] game against Pittsburg anytime!!

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DD, W1MCE
[Bruins fan for 50+ years] [Ham for 55 + years]

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 10:31 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

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10042. RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-17 14:30:07 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 10014 Message: 10042

Pittsburg?

Nah, I'll let it pass. I'll let the other obvious wisecrack pass as well.

But I'm afraid you'll have to wait until sometime in the fall or next winter to see that hockey game.

Meanwhile, they've had to fish the Stanley Cup out of Mario's swimming pool... again...

But I sure wish I could accompany the Cup on its travels this summer with the players. Especially when it goes oversees. What a Special Event DX station that operation would make!

73

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Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2009 3:02 am ((PDT))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

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73, Paul VE1DX

10043. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-17 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10043

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 168 Issued at 2200Z on 17 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low for the past 24 hours.
New Region 1021 (S16W71) was numbered today.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (18-20 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet for the last 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (18-20 June).
III. Event Probabilities 18 Jun-20 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 Jun 068
Predicted 18 Jun-20 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 17 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 Jun 004/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 Jun 003/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 Jun-20 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Jun-20 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 05/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10044. Re: Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 01:05:02 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10026 Message: 10044

> How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was there.
>

Well, I dodged this bullet.

I worked 3Y0C (Chuck Brady) in 2000 and never sent for the card, just because I didn't worry too much about confirmations back then.

I recently decided to try to confirm some of the ultra-rare ones I ignored and shot off a card and SASE to WA4FFW and I have a 3Y0C card in hand as of today.

Phew! ;-)

10045. Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 01:28:44 UTC
From: K0BX
Topic: 10026 Message: 10045

I also worked 3Y0C Chuck Brady in 2000. But I was very lucky to work
him on both SSB and RTTY. I don't believe he made very many rtty contacts.

I was just there at the right time!

Joe K0BX

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>

10046. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 01:30:10 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10026 Message: 10046

I spent hours and hours on air waiting for propagation to Petrus on Bouvet (needed for a new one) and it was never forthcoming....

I was one of the fortunate to work him on Marion but that wasn't a new one for me as I had ZS8MI from 1990...oh well them's the breaks...

I am glad to see that people are still able to get cards from old logs of yester year.

Keep at 'em,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of n3oxdan
Sent: Thursday, 18 June 2009 9:05 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

> How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was there.
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10047. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 03:08:39 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10026 Message: 10047

On page 3 of the 2009 DXCC Yearbook, "Bouvet Island" was a failure to correctly read the original. Think about where Bob and Ralph went, it wasn't 3Y/B.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: n3oxdan
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2009 3:05 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

> How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was there.
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Well, I dodged this bullet.

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Phew! ;-)

10048. DX anywhere web site

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 08:48:18 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10048 Message: 10048

Hey Guys,

Just came across this whilst hunting in Google...

http://www.dxanywhere.com/cluster/solar

A whole heap of stats and spots and graphs etc.

Does anyone know who is behind this? Doesn't seem to be any indications on the web page.

73, Lance - VK6DU

10049. Re: Bouvet 86.000 QSOs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 09:32:01 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10026 Message: 10049

For weeks I didn't hear a peep out of Petrus. Then, just a couple or three days before he wrapped up operations, I worked him, very much in the clear, on 20 SSB - apparently the only band and mode he worked.

While he was on ZS8 I never heard him at all. Still need that one as well.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@...> wrote:
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> > How did I miss this? I need Bouvet! I never even heard Petrus when he was there.
> >
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> Phew! ;-)
>

10050. Re: [DX-IS] DX anywhere web site

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 10:26:53 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 10048 Message: 10050
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

http://www.prettygoodprojects.com/

This seems to be the force behind the DX Anywhere site.

Phil
N9LAH

Lance Martin wrote:
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> Hey Guys,
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>
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> indications on the web page.
>
> 73, Lance ? VK6DU
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> ---
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>
> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.12.76/2183 - Release Date: 06/17/09 05:53:00
>
>

10051. Re: [DX-IS] DX anywhere web site

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 10:33:57 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10048 Message: 10051

Lance,
Did you try the "about" and "contact" buttons at the bottom of the web page?
Maybe the contact email will send you more info.
73, frank w0ecs

Lance Martin wrote:
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> Hey Guys,
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> 73, Lance ? VK6DU
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10052. RE: [DX-IS] DX anywhere web site

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-18 17:27:43 UTC
From: kq6i@arrl.net
Topic: 10048 Message: 10052

Lance - VK6DU

What I suspected all along, conditions stink. [Does anyone know who is behind this? Doesn't seem to be any indications on the
web page.] the culprit see P.S.

Rgrds
Craig
kq6i
Peace, long-life, and gud DX!

P.S. [Hi, my names Peter Goodhall, M3PHP I'm 22 years old, I just finished university studying Multimedia Technology (Web
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both SSB & RTTY and digital communications (PSK31, RTTY).

I've also become very intrigued by 6m.]

-----Original Message-----
From: Lance Martin [mailto:lance.martin@...]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2009 2:48 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DX anywhere web site

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Topic: 9721 Message: 10053

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10054. RE: [DX-IS] DX anywhere web site

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-19 02:20:05 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10048 Message: 10054

Many thanks Criag, Frank and Phil.

The site seems to be quite interesting, with stats and charts, but there is no indication anywhere about who is responsible for it, so that always makes one suspicious. It could be a fly by night type of website, here one day gone the next...

If Peter gets this, he may want to consider putting his call and some aim or intention on the web page.

It's a good concept perhaps he is looking to get a sponsor or someone to take up the page...

Btw. Click on the video on the main page (Watch Video), gosh, there are some clever people around....the mobile log idea is a good one...

http://www.dxanywhere.com/

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kq6i@...
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10055. ARLD024 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-19 03:44:44 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4797 Message: 10055

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ARLD024 DX news

ZCZC AE24
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 24 ARLD024
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 18, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD024 DX news

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MALTA, 9H. Giorgio, IV3EPO will be QRV as 9H3EP from June 23 to 29. Activity will be on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 meters using mostly CW. QSL to home call.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Gerard, F2JD is QRV as DU1/G0SHN and is here for about five months. He plans to be active from various islands while here. QSL via F6AJA.

ST. BARTHELEMY, FJ. Conny is QRV as FJ/DL1DA ands has been active on 20 and 17 meters using CW around 1900 to 2000z. QSL via DL1DA.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0. Tina, DL5YL and Fred, DL5YM will be QRV as HB0/home calls from Masescha from June 20 to July 2. Activity will be at various times on all HF bands using CW and possibly RTTY. QSL to home calls.

MONGOLIA, JT. Giampiero, I5NOC is QRV as JT1NOC until June 29. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Tony, JA6CNL is QRV as KH0N from Saipan, IOTA OC-086, until June 23. This includes an entry in the All-Asian DX contest. Outside the contest, he is active mostly on 80, 30, 17 and 12 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

NORWAY, LA. Special event callsign LJ2T is QRV until June 28 in conjunction with the International Museums weekend. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB, AM, FM and various digital modes. QSL via LA5EAA.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Members of VERON section 54 are QRV as PH100EL until July 12 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first flight of the aviation pioneer Charles count de Lambert. QSL via PD0PVQ.

AUSTRIA. OE. Operators from the Technical Museum Vienna are QRV as OE100TMW during its 100th anniversary until June 21. Activity is on all HF bands, including VHF. QSL via operators' instructions.

SWEDEN, SM. Jorgen, SM3CXS is QRV as SG3U from Grimskar Island, IOTA EU-176, until June 21. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW and SSB in his spare time. QSL to home call.

POLAND, SP. Operators from the Long Distance Radio Communications Club of Poland are QRV as SP50DXC until June 30 to mark 50 years of the SP DX Club. QSL via bureau.

GREECE, SV. Dago, DJ5KZ is QRV as SV8/home call from Lesvos Island, IOTA EU-049, until June 30. QSL to home call.

SAN MARINO, T7. Operators Filippo, IK4ZHH, Giorgio, IZ4AKS, Max, IZ4DPV, Michele, IZ4GWE, Stefano, IW2MJQ and Vittorio, I4YSS will be QRV as T70A on June 20 and 21. Activity will be mostly on 6 meters from three different locations. QSL via bureau.

REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO, TN. Nicolas is QRV as TN5SN and has been active on 6 meters and on RTTY on 20 meters around 2100z. QSL via IZ1BZV and LoTW.

ASIATIC RUSSIA, UA9. Alik, RX9WN is QRV as RX9WN/0/m until June 21 from Kharancy Island. This is a new IOTA. QSL via operator's instructions.

SERBIA, YT. Various Serbian stations are using special prefixes YU2009, YT2009, YU09, YT09, YT25 and YU25 until July 12 to promote the University Games 2009 taking place in Serbia. QSL via operators' instructions.

CALLSIGN CORRECTION. As reported in DX news ARLD023, Bob, VE1RSM is QRV as home call/VY1 from Whitehorse, Yukon Territory until August 17. Activity is on all HF bands, particularly 40, 30 and 20 meters, using CW and SSB during his evenings and weekends. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The All Asian DX CW Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, 1st ARR BPSK63 Contest, Digital Pentathlon, SMIRK CW Contest, Feld Hell Sprint, AGCW VHF/UHF CW Contest, West Virginia QSO Party, Kid's Day Contest and the DIE Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for June 22. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for June 24. Please see June QST, page 80 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10056. Re: DX anywhere web site

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
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Topic: 10048 Message: 10056

A few weeks ago, someone convinced me I should sign up for Twitter. I did. On the negative side, they won't let me remove my profile - the site always says it's too busy. On the plus side, I never post anything, so there's nothing to follow.

A couple of days ago, I received an e-mail that so-and-so was "following" me on Twitter. That guy needs to get a life! How can you "follow" someone's activities if they're never posting what they're doing!

Ona real DX note - looks like ZK2V is packing it in today. He did a pretty darn good job for a one-man dxpedition. I managed to snare him on two new bands, plus RTTY.

Marsha slept in the shack last night, hoping to snare him on SSB at some point. He did finally go to SSB - early this morning on 17M! The wrong band at the wrong time for this part of the world. She did get him on CW on one band and RTTY on a couple of others, so it wasn't a total bust.

Amidst the poor condx (SFI at 68), some strange stuff has been happening off and on. EY was booming in here the other night (EY7AD) on 20 SSB, specifically calling NA.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...> wrote:
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> Lance,
> Did you try the "about" and "contact" buttons at the bottom of the web page?
> Maybe the contact email will send you more info.
> 73, frank w0ecs
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> Lance Martin wrote:
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> > Hey Guys,
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> > Just came across this whilst hunting in Google...
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> > http://www.dxanywhere.com/cluster/solar
> > <http://www.dxanywhere.com/cluster/solar>
> >
> > A whole heap of stats and spots and graphs etc.
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> > Does anyone know who is behind this? Doesn't seem to be any
> > indications on the web page.
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> > 73, Lance ☐ VK6DU
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10057. [425ENG] 425 DX News #946

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4O - Boris, 9A2JY will be active as 4O/9A2JY from Montenegro on 20-28 June. Expect him to operate holiday style on 20 and 40 metres SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX 9A6AA]
8Q - Vlad, RA9LR will be active as 8Q7LR from the Maldives (AS-013) from 21 June to 2 July. He plans to operate almost exclusively digital, with some SSB on 10-40 metres. QSL via UA9LP, direct or bureau. [TNX UA9LP]
9A - Jernej, S59KM will be active as 9A/S59KM from Ugljan Island (EU-170) from 25 June to 2 July. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX S59KM]
A3 - Bob, A35RK will remain on Vava'u (OC-064) until 27 June and will move permanently on the island on 1 December. His licence address has been officially changed and effective from 18 June all QSOs with A35RK will be from Vava'u (no longer from Ha'apai, OC-169). QSL via W7TSQ. [TNX The Daily DX]
G - Special event station GB2RI will be active on 21-24 June from the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham, England for the 100th Rotary International Convention. The station will operate on 80-10 metres from 7 to 17 UTC daily. QSL via G3LUW, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ0FKE+
I - Matteo, IV3YNB will be active holiday style as IV3YNB/p from Grado Island (EU-130, IIA GO-001) from 27 June to 11 July. He will operate CW and BPSK31 QRP. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IV3YNB]
IS0 - A group of operators from the Sardinia QRP Club will be active as IQ0QP/p from the lighthouse at Capo Bellavista on mainland Sardinia (EU-024) from about 18 UTC on 27 June until about 16 UTC on the 28th. They will operate SSB and CW on +/- 7021, 7031, 7091, 10105.5, 10115.5, 14031, 14061 and 14321 kHz. QSL direct (see qrz.com). [TNX IS0VSU]
OE - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Vienna Technological Museum (http://www.tmw.at/), special event station OE100TMW will

be activated on 17-21 June for 100 hours continuously. QSL via
OE1XIC, bureau preferred. [TNX OE8KDK]
PY - PT2TJ and PT2OP plan to operate from Sao Joao lighthouse on Maiau
Island (SA-041) on 3-8 July (requested callsign PX8M) and from
Aracagi lighthouse on Sao Luis Island (SA-016) on 8-11 July
(requested callsign ZX8A). [TNX PT7WA]
SV - Antonios, SV2FLQ will be active as SY2O on 27-29 June. This
special Greek callsign is for the Olympus Marathon
(http://www.olympus-marathon.com), the trail running event held
annually on Mount Olympus. QSL via SV2FLQ (direct only).
T7 - Vittorio/I4YSS, Filippo/IK4ZHH, Stefano/IW2MJQ, Giorgio/IZ4AKS and
Max/IZ4DPV will participate in the IARU Region-1 50Mhz Contest
(20-21 June) as T70A from the radio club of San Marino's IARU
Society (http://www.arrsm.org/). They will use three antennas
beaming different directions. QSL to T70A. [TNX IZ4AKS]
V2 - Jimmy, W6JKV will be active as V29JKV from Antigua (NA-100) from
24 June to 3 July. He will concentrate on 6 metres, but he will
also operate on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX OPDX
Bulletin]
W - Bill/WD2E, Sofia/AI4KQ and Paul/AA2C will be active as WD2E/4 from
the Dry Tortugas Islands (NA-079) from 24 June to 1 July. QSL via
WD2E, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
W - Mark, KO1U will be active as KO1U/p from Cousins Island (NA-137)
on 25 June. He will have verticals for 80-10 metres, and a
3-element for 6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX
www.rsgbiota.org]
YV - The 20-24 June YW9A activity from Amazonas State [425DXN 945] has
been postponed to 23-27 July. QSL via YV5AJ. [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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QSL 4U ---> Get your missing QSLs for QSOs with 4U stations (4U1UN, 4U60UN,
4U50SPACE, 4U1ITU, 4U1WRC) at the Swiss DX Foundation's booth at Hamradio
2009 (Friedrichshafen) on 26-27 June. Bring your QSO data with you and
observe the working hours of the QSL manager (to be available at the
booth). Please note that cards for contacts made with 4U1ITU and 4U1WRC
will be issued only if the relevant QSOs can be found in the online log at
http://life.itu.ch/radioclub/4u1/index.php [TNX HB9BGN]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Rudi Burkard (DJ5JI),
Norbert "Rob" van Essche (ON4CED), Paulo Ferreira (PY2IBS), Robert Kohli
(VU2MKP), Charles Garner Hayden, Sr (W3SI) and Robert B. Brown (W3RCQ).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******

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4L1UN EA7FTR II3JD IW3IE UE1RFM UA1RJ
4L6DL LZ1OT IY1EY IK1QBT UE1ZFF RZ1ZZ
5N0OCH DL3OCH IY1GMN I1YHU UE3KFF/3 RN3QN
5T0JL ON8RA IY1SP I1SAF UE3LFF UA3LF
5Z4/RW1AU K5XK IY7NGM IK7JWX UE3MFF RD3MA
7U2ISM 7X2DD JI1FGX/DU9 JF1LZQ UE3SFF RU3SD
8Q7TB PF4T [a] JT1NOC I5NOC UE4FFF RA4FW
8Q7TB PA0LEY [b] KG4WM WB4NCW UE4NFF RW4NX
8R1DB N3DB KH0N JA6CNL UE4PFF UA4PCA
8S0HRA SM0BYD KL5E NI5DX UE65BR RV3YR
9H9PYSM 9H1AJ KL7RRC UA9OBA [c] UE6EFF RW6HKF
9M6BRC 9M6TW KL7RRC N7RO [d] UE6YFF RA6YJ
9N7IIU JH3IIU LJ2T LA5EAA UE9SFF RW9TP
A45WG NI5DX LU7YZ EA7FTR UE9WFF RW9WA
A61BK NI5DX LX0SAR DK4XC UE9YFF RA9YF
A65BD G5LP LY1000Q LY4Q UK8AME IK2DUW
A65BJ DL7EDH LZ01WFF LZ1ZF UN7AB DL8KAC
A65BM W4JS LZ18HR LZ1YE UP44BFF UN7ECA
C37NL C37URA NL8F K8NA UR4BZB/p UT1BC
C6ASH K2CK NP3CW EB7DX UX0XFF UT2XQ
C6AWC W5TSN NP4A W3HNK VA2CGNQ VE2CSL
CR3M CT3FQ OL20FOC OK1CZ VP2MRT KB4CRT
CT7/CU8AT CT1GFK OL20HOLICE OK1KHL W2W K3NEM
CV5K CX2ABC OM60KAP OM3PA XE1EE EA5KB
DF0WFF DL2VFR ON100PES ON4TRC YI1RAZ IK2DUW
DK32DEKT DL1BFU PA09SHAPE PA0FAW YP1WFF YO9WF
DM800VOGT DL8CX PA2009DYK PA3RGH YT09AU YU7AU
DR1A DL6FBL PH100EL PD0PVQ YT09CW YT1E
DT0HF/2 HL2FDW PI4DX PD1DX YT09WA YT7WA
DT5A 6M0V PR2R PY2OP YT2009ACA YT2ACA
DU3NXE W3HNK R85NN RA3TT YT2009FA YT2FA
E51SC G4KIU [b] S51ZZ NI5DX YT2009T YT2T
EG3FI EA3NT S92LX DK7LX YT25AA YT1AA
EG3TDB EA3GLB SG3U SM3CXS YT25E YT1E
EM0WFF UT7WZ SM200PAX SK2AT YT25W YT3W
EN300H UR0HA SN06ITP SP9ITP YU09CW YT1E
EN500I UT7IL SN06ORH SP9ORH YU09JU YU1JU
EO300H UX2HB SN06RQH SP9RQH YU09MM YU1MM
EO5AFF UR5AW SN40MDK SP5ZDH YU09NR YU1NR
ER3WFF ER3GS SO1RE DK8RE YU09RP YU1RP
ES5QD ES1QD SP50DXC SP7DQR YU2009AA YU1AA
EV8D EW8CY SP80SPDN SP9PKZ YU2009GPS YU5GPS

EW5WFF EW4DX SP80SPPC SP9PKZ YU2009MBM YU2MBM
F/HB9LH/p HB9DLO SU9GI IK2ZYC YU2009NU YU7NU
GB0WFF M3ZYZ SV5/SM8C SM0CMH YU2009QQ YU1QQ
GB65FRW M3DPQ SX5LA SV1GRM YU25AS YU1AS
H6VA TI4SU TJ3SL F5PSA YU25GZ YU5GZ
HB0Y/DO4DXA DO4DXA TM100B F2YT YU25KN YU1KN
HB9IRC/P HB9OCR TM1EJ F5YD YU25RL YU7RL
HF32DP SP7ZJI TM6JUN F5NKX YU25TO YU1TO
HG400HV HA0HV TM6SCH F5LHB YU25ZEX YU7ZEX
HI3TEJ ON4IQ UE0SFF/0 RZ0SB Z22JE K3IRV
HP3AK W4JS UE1CFF RZ3ABK ZD8RH G4DBW
II0IASM IK8XVA UE1NFF RN1NU ZP4KFX IK2DUW
II1NOLI I1ASU UE1QFF RA1QQ ZY0F PY2WAS

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10058. [425ENG] 425 DX News #946 [Calendar]

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******* CALENDAR *******
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10059. Re: [DX-IS] What happened?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-19 17:55:01 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10014 Message: 10059

Pittsburgh took the cup ... congratulations!

The B's took the Vizenza [goal tending]
The B's took the Norris [best defenseman]
The B's took the ??? [best coach]

What they didn't take speaks volumes ... the Cup and any offensive awards.

Well, maybe I can invoke the Red Sox Motto ... Next Year ??

Now, about Bouvet ... I have 3Y0C both base station and mobile Jan 2001. Easy ... if you believe that ....

----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2009 6:01 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] What happened?

I'll turn OFF HAM RADIO for a good Boston Bruins [Hockey] game against Pittsburg anytime!!

Would that count towards anything??

DD, W1MCE
[Bruins fan for 50+ years] [Ham for 55 + years]

----- Original Message -----
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 10:31 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] What happened?

The lords of propagation were in downtown Pittsburgh observing the Stanley Cup parade/celebration, naturally.

If only they were baseball fans, in addition to hockey and football fans...
sigh

-----Original Message-----
What happened?
Posted by: "Paul M Dunphy" list_dx@... ve1dx
Date: Mon Jun 15, 2009 6:07 am ((PDT))

Bands in really bad shape this AM. 4-5 weak signals on 20 and
that's it. Any reports of flares? I can't seem to find anything
reported on the Internet, and the WWV numbers seem about the same as
they have been for a week.

73, Paul VE1DX

10060. ARLP025 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-19 19:00:32 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4937 Message: 10060

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP025
ARLP025 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP25
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 25 ARLP025
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA June 19, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP025
ARLP025 Propagation de K7RA

This week's bulletin was written by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA. Carl is filling in for your regular reporter Tad Cook, K7RA.

Silent Key - I was saddened to read that Jim Tabor KU5S passed away on May 27. Jim was the driving force behind Kangaroo Tabor Software, which offered propagation prediction programs such as CapMAN and WinCAP Wizard, programs to help monitor the NCDXF/IARU beacons, and several other propagation-related packages. Jim also contributed propagation software to the CD-ROM bundled with the ARRL Antenna Book. I personally enjoyed many e-mail exchanges and several QSOs with Jim, talking about various propagation and ionospheric issues.

Summary for the Week - I bet you have this memorized: ''Solar activity was very low throughout the reporting period, and geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels during most of the reporting period.'' Enough said?

This Solar Minimum - The first sunspot region of Cycle 24 occurred on January 4, 2008. Since then, though, Cycle 24 spots have been few and far between. A good summary of this solar minimum can be made in two statements. The first statement is that the duration of this solar minimum is unusual compared to the other solar minimums in our lifetime. That's because from the minimum between Cycle 17 and 18 onward, solar minimums have been roughly two years. Thus we've only been exposed to ''short'' solar minimum periods. A look at all history, though, shows a different story, and brings us to the second statement. This solar minimum, which is going on three years, is pretty much average in duration compared to all history. What this all says is the Sun has been highly variable throughout recorded history.

Noctilucent Clouds Return - As reported at spaceweather.com on June 1, the first noctilucent clouds (NLC) of the 2009 season were

sighted over Russia on May 27. NLCs typically appear about 20 days prior to the summer solstice, increase quickly to a high summer level, and then disappear about 50 days after the summer solstice. These clouds are mostly a high latitude phenomenon, and are believed to be composed of ice crystals. VHF radars see very strong echoes from these clouds, and since they are at mesospheric heights (80 to 90 km), they are also known as polar mesosphere summer echoes (PMSE). These clouds are hypothesized by JE1BMJ and others to be responsible for 6m propagation across high latitudes (for example, from the East Coast of North America to Japan) during the northern hemisphere summer. This mode of propagation has been dubbed Summer Solstice Short-path Propagation (SSSP). Check out page 34 of the February 2009 issue of WorldRadio Online (available free at www.cq-amateur-radio.com/wr_back_issues.html)
for a general discussion of PMSE and SSSP and for references in the technical literature. To reiterate, SSSP is still just a theory, but the occurrences of QSOs appear to match the occurrence pattern of PMSE.

Getting Ready for Glorioso - Beginning on July 9 and continuing through July 28, a French team expects to activate this extremely rare DXCC entity (it's in the Top 5 in the Most Wanted Survey as listed in the January/February 2009 issue of The DX Magazine). Glorioso is located in the Indian Ocean near the northern tip of Madagascar, and enjoys higher-than-usual MUFs (maximum usable frequencies) even at solar minimum due to the robust equatorial ionosphere. Unfortunately the North American end of the path will suffer from low MUFs due to a combination of solar minimum and a summer month. The result of this is that 15, 12, and 10 meters will likely not produce many QSOs between Glorioso and North America. My recommendation is to concentrate your efforts on 40, 30, 20, and 17 meters. And if you need Glorioso for an all-time new one for DXCC, be sure to work this DXpedition - it will probably be quite a while until it is again activated.

Cycle 24 Predictions - If you dig through the technical literature, you'll discover that there are more than 50 predictions for Cycle 24. They range from a low smoothed sunspot number of 40 to a high of 185. Why are there so many predictions? That's a simple question to answer - solar scientists do not fully understand the process that generates sunspots, and thus many different methods have been used to make a prediction. Does this mean they're guessing and should be admonished for not being correct? I personally don't think so. What we're seeing is the scientific process being used. A prediction is made using a certain method, and Cycle 24's progress (or lack of progress) allows scientists a means to test their theory. That's how science works when we don't understand something. Will we ever figure this out? I can't answer that question, but I recently read an interesting NASA Headline News story (science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2009/17jun_jetstream.htm?list45339) saying scientists announced that ''a jet stream deep inside the Sun

is migrating slower than usual through the star's interior, giving rise to the lack of sunspots.'' Perhaps this will be an important clue to help our understanding of the sunspot process.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for June 11 through 17 were 0, 12, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 11 with a mean of 3.3. 10.7 cm flux was 69.3, 69, 68.2, 68.1, 67.4, 68.3, and 67.8 with a mean of 68.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 2, 4, 6, 4, 3 and 3 with a mean of 3.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 1, 3, 4, 4, 4 and 1 with a mean of 2.7.
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10061. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-19 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10061

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 19 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 170 Issued at 2200Z on 19 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed in
the past 24 hours. The visible solar disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (20-22 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet for the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (20-22 June).
III. Event Probabilities 20 Jun-22 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 Jun 067
Predicted 20 Jun-22 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 19 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 Jun 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 Jun 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 Jun-22 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 Jun-22 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10062. Interesting Stuff...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-20 20:21:05 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10062 Message: 10062

...for everyone who wants the sun to start doing something good. Yeah, the "experts" have said this and said that. Sure hope this time they are right. Like the New Yorker yelled at the microwave, HURRY UP!"

http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2009/17jun_jetstream.htm

Loosing sleep & holding my breath Rene
(from K4HB)

10063. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-20 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10063

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 20 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 171 Issued at 2200Z on 20 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (21 - 23 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 19/2100Z to 20/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (21 - 23 June).
III. Event Probabilities 21 Jun-23 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 20 Jun 067
Predicted 21 Jun-23 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 20 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 19 Jun 001/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 20 Jun 004/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 21 Jun-23 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 21 Jun-23 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10064. off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-21 03:22:09 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10064 Message: 10064

After some real issues with IE I am considering switching to firefox. Currently running xp home. What can I expect if I change-- Scott--will all your programs work with it? Will it effect LOTW? Scary to do, but every one says it is better program. Does not mention email Do not want to be holding a bag of crashed disks when FR/G comes on the air in July.

You may reply off the board to keep it "clean"

(Thanks to xp I now have an empty mail box :(

TIA

Dale H. Cole K8TS

Jackson, MI

10065. All Asia Contest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-21 11:44:03 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10065 Message: 10065

Nothing like a good contest to help clear out the air!

It's now Sunday morning (11:30 UTC) and JA stations are booming in again on 20 (same as Saturday morning). Ae from the JAs, the band seems rather quiet. It's a real treat to hear that part of the world screaming into the SE US.

Art - N4PJ

10066. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-21 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10066

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 21 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 172 Issued at 2200Z on 21 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 20/2100Z
to 21/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
New Region 1022 (S27E15) was numbered during the period. The region
emerged on the disk as a 2-spot, bi-polar Bxo beta spot group. The
region has been quiet and stable.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
at very low levels for the next three days (22 - 24 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 20/2100Z to 21/2100Z:
The geomagetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels. A brief
period of sustained negative Bz, from about 20/2100Z to 21/0200Z,
resulted in unsettled geomagnetic conditions observed at all
latitudes.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet for the next three days (22 - 24 June).
III. Event Probabilities 22 Jun-24 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 21 Jun 067
Predicted 22 Jun-24 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 21 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 20 Jun 005/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 Jun 008/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 Jun-24 Jun 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 Jun-24 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10067. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #913

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-21 22:31:41 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10067 Message: 10067

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 14th-June, through Sunday, 21st-June there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS (AF-049). Luc, I3LDP, will be active from here between June 29th and July 11th. The callsign was not provided. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW and SSB. His equipment will be an Icom IC-7000, a vertical for 40-10m and a vertical dipole for 6m. Grid Loc. is LG89vt. QSL via his home callsign. ADDED NOTE: Luc plans to look for a good location for an EME operation next year (2010).

6M REPORT (Hearing 6m DX): [edited] "Greetings -- After I predicted the 6m summer Sporatic E's season to begin on 7th June 2009, it appears the season has started in FN20 as of 10th June 2009, for the low power operators. At 8pm I was working EM 26-40-46-70 in La, Al, and Fl, with 100 watts and a thrown up 2 element Quad. On June 11th, I was hearing Costa Rica and Fla. On June 12th, at 6pm I was working YV4, HI3, PJ2, and Fla with many strong signals on the band. On June 15th, I was working into W1 land FN30, FN31 and FN41 at the end of the VHF contest. On June 16th, at 4pm I began working Fla and Ala along with J39BS Grenada, ON4IQ, HI3TEJ, VP2M and WP4 stations, all with S9 signals into FN20. On Thursday, 18th June, at 3pm I began working into EM 32-63-64-74-82-94-95....AL, GA, NC and SC. The band started out short to SC, NC and TN. It opened up with many stations and strong signals into Fla. I even worked a couple mobiles with loops on the roof and a few stations using Halos. For the early risers on Saturday 20th June 2009, as this is being written, I worked into Europe after 7am with stations CN8LI, CT3FQ Madeira Island and CT3KU/p. EA's, CU1EZ, CN8SG, and CT3DZ were also heard or worked up until about 1230z. All this with 2 elements hanging on my 2 element tribander boom!! And the season has just begun!! I have a 4 element 6m Quad being built so I can be heard a little better. 6m openings have been very thin in FN20 and this has brought out all the operators finding 6m on their new radios. I had worked several halos, dipoles, and ground plane stations with the band open. The real jewel during Sporatic E season is Bermuda....that little dot in the middle of the Atlantic. I can't wait to work Ed in Bermuda, VP9GE. It is a great thing to hear so many new DX stations on six meters. With relaxed regulations on power and antennas, I expect we will hear many more stations working into the U.S. at the bottom of the sunspot cycle with one small spot showing and no C class or better solar flares to report. For size and performance, I don't think you can beat the Quad loop or beam. I also use a 6 element yagi pointed towards Florida and get similar reports with just 2 elements. Four elements will just make things easier for me. Thanks for producing the propagation and DX reports. They are well read at this location...."
Yours truly,
Larry Lilly Sr. N3CR
Lehighton, Pa FN20dv

8Q, MALDIVES. By the time you read this, Vlad, RA9LR, should will be active as 8Q7LR from Hudhuranfushi Island, North Male Atoll (AS-013), until July 2nd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly Digital but with some SSB. He will be use 100 watts into a DX-88 eight band vertical. QSL via RA9LR, direct or by the Bureau.

A35, TONGA (Update). Paul, A35RK, on Wednesday, June 17th, informed OPDX that lots is happening in Tonga for him. He told us that "A35RK is moving to a new QTH. On December 1st, the whole family is moving to Vava'u (OC-064)." He will be departing Vava'u on June 27th, and between then and December 1st, Paul will be moving back and forth between the island groups. Paul adds, "I will get my yagi antennas up in Vava'u ASAP, but no firm date commitment is possible. In the meantime, it will be 100w to a G5RV, whenever I am actually in Vava'u. I will drop the A35RK/p callsign and revert to the straight A35RK,

as soon as I make an official change-of-address notification to the radio licensing authority. What all that means is that A35RK (OC-169) is essentially QRT because the first shipment to Vava'u will include all of my radio gear and all of my tools. It is highly unlikely that I will do any more operating from Ha'apai." Paul states that he has made 80,000+ QSOs from there over the past 13 years, and this should be enough to satisfy the IOTA crowd." Bob, W7TSQ, will remain his manager, and he will modify Paul's QSL cards to indicate IOTA OC-064. Future LoTW logs will likewise be modified, as will QRZ.com info as soon as the move is official. On a personal level, Paul states, "This is a big move 'up' for us. The whole family is looking forward to the improved living conditions in Vava'u (ie, better schools for the kids, better telecom and shipping connections, better 'shopping', reliable mains power, etc.). Please wish us luck in this new endeavor." OPDX wishes Paul the best of luck in his new QTH.
ANOTHER UPDATE FROM PAUL: "It's official: my A35RK license address has been changed by the Radio Licensing Officer. I will stop signing A35RK/p immediately. All contacts with A35RK, beginning 0001z, June 18th, 2009, will be from Vava'u Island, IOTA OC-064, grid square AH31ai. A35RK from Ha'apai, IOTA OC-169 is QRT."

CT8, AZORES. Operators Jan/DL7JAN and Egon/DL2IX will be active as CT8/homecall from Faial Island (EU-175) between August 21-31st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their homecall, by the bureau or direct.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). The following was received by John, K1XN, author of the GoList, from Randy, N0TG (edited): "A challenge for us is to keep the weight allowance under control. The charter aircraft limits us to 1400 pounds total weight. That includes body weight for the team (3), personal items, equipment, antennas, computers, food, EVERYTHING. The weight creeps upward pretty fast and must be watched carefully. It looks like the low bands will still be very productive ones as Cycle 24 lingers. I personally am pleased and excited to have the Battle Creek Special going with us. There seems to be lots of interest on 160 by the EU's and others as well. One thing that we are 'not' is experienced RTTY operators. However, the recent few weeks we have equipped our stations with the necessary computer interface, software, etc. and are becoming a bit more enlightend on RTTY operation. We've made a number of contacts and are pleased to have this set up and ready. NCDXF in particular encouraged us to include RTTY. Web traffic continues to increase from world-wide QTH's. Certainly, we know CY0 not one of the most rare spots..but it does look like many are looking for it to fill in a mode/band combo, and hopefully it'll be an interesting event and promote activity for our wonderful hobby. Thanks..we appreciate the support; we can't express that enough!! We look forward to working you. http://www.CY0dxpedition.com
73, Randy - N0TG/CY0 and team (Murray-WA4DAN, Ron-AA4VK)"

D44, CAPE VERDE. Michel, HB9BOI, is now active as D44TOI from Sal Island (AF-086) until June 30th. Activity over the past weekend as been mainly 20 meters SSB (around 14260 kHz), and some 17 meter SSB. QSL via his home

callsign.

DU, PHILIPPINES. Gerard, F2JD, will stay in the Philippines for the next five months and hopes to get his DU1/G0SHN licence extended. While there he plans to activate some IOTA islands during his stay. QSLs direct or via the REF Bureau to F6AJA.

DXCC NEWS (DXCC Annual List Questions). Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Manager, explains this week on the "ARRL's Century Club Awards Weblog" <http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards> questions that the DXCC has been receiving pertaining to the DXCC Annual listings. If you were wondering why your award totals were not listed, please read the info on the above Web page before contacting the DXCC.

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND. As this bulletin was being prepared, there were no new developments announced this past week. The 2009 Glorioso FT5GA operation still seems to be on track and scheduled for July 9-28th.

GB2, ENGLAND (Special Event). Look for special event callsign GB2RI to be used from the "National Exhibition Centre" in Birmingham, England, during the 100th Rotary International Convention, between June 21-24th (0700-1700z daily). Kenwood Radio of the UK, has supplied a 200 watt transceiver, and the local Withall ARC are providing a 100 ft. tower topped with a 3 element yagi. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. USA stations are suggested to watch 14293 kHz. QSL direct or by the RSGB to G3LUW.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Fred/DL5YM and his XYL Tina/DL5YL will once again be in Masescha and will be hiking here during the daytime hours between now and July 2nd. During the nighttime hours they will be active on CW signing HB0/homecall on all bands. They may also be active on RTTY, if they add an interface to their IC-725 and a 40m wire to their equipment.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-047. Operators Mitsu/7N4AGB, Hase/JK1EBA, Shoji/JJ1JGI, JA1XEQ and Nakayama/JA1KJW will be active as homecall/6 from Kita-Daito Island (JIIA AS-047-001, WLOTA 0928), JA6 Okinawa Prefecture, between June 25th and July 5th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, but mainly on the lower bands using CW and SSB. QSL via their home calls, direct or Bureau.

AS-159. Ozer, TA2RC, will be active as YM0T from Kefken Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Mixed/24H/Low-Power entry. QSL via TA2RC.

EU-034. Operators Harald/ES1LS, Arvo/ES1QV, Juri/ES2EZ, Toivo/ES2DJ and Mati/ES2QN will be active as ES0U from Saaremaa Island, Estonia, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via the Bureau.

EU-048. Members of the French Sevran F5KKD ARC will be active as F5KKD/p from Belle Ile Island (DIFM AT-015, WLOTA 0078, DPF 06) between

September 11-14th. Activity will be on the HF, VHF and UHF bands.
Operators mentioned are: David/F4FDA, Mickael/F4FFZ and Bastien/
F4EYQ. QSL via the Bureau. Visit their Web page at:
http://iota2009.crxcluster.com

EU-049. Operators Cuagn/OK2BOB and Vilem/OK2BC will be active as
SV8/homecall/p from Lesvos Island (Lesbos, Mytilini) between
0700z, June 22nd and 0400z, July 2nd. From Grid Loc. KM39,
activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB (Primary bands
are 40/30/20/17 meters). Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1833, 3511, 7011, 7018, 10108, 10114, 10118, 14018,
14040, 18078, 18088, 21018, 24908, 24912, 28018, 28033,
and 50090-50097 kHz (+/- QRM)
SSB - 3773, 3795, 7055, 7088, 14255-14270, 18155, 21255,
24955, 28485 and 50125-50135 kHz (+/- QRM)
QSL via their home callsigns.

EU-064. Jan, ON7JA, will be active as F/ON7JA from Ile de Noirmoutier
(DIFM AT-020, WLOTA 1224), July 25-27th. Activity will include
an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via his
home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. PLEASE NO eQSL!

EU-068. Members of the French Sevran F5KKD ARC will be active as F5KKD/p
from Sein Island (DIFM AT007, WLOTA 2721, DPF 06) between July
24-27th. Activity will be on the HF, VHF and UHF bands, as
well as an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th).
Operators mentioned are: David/F4FDA, Mickael/F4FFZ and Bastien/
F4EYQ. QSL via the Bureau. Visit their Web page at:
http://iota2009.crxcluster.com

EU-123. Iain, MM0TFU, will be active as MM0TFU/P from Blackwaterfoot,
Isle of Arran (IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14), Scotland, between
July 24-27th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 25-26th). Outside the contest he will be active on
all HF bands plus 6 meters (Grid IO75IM). QSL via his home
callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-130. Matteo, IV3YNB, will once again be active as IV3YNB/p from
Grado Island (IIA GO-001, MIA MI-039) between June 27th and
July 11th. His activity will be QRP on CW and BPSK31 on as
many bands as possible, randomly during the daytime. QSL via
his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct ("free, don't send
money"). Look for more info on his Web site at:
http://iv3ynb.splinder.com/

NA-137. Mark, KO1U, will be active from Cousins Island (USI ME041S,
Cumberland county), Maine, between 1000z, July 25th and
2300z, July 26th. He also plans to activate Little John
Island (Also NA-137 and Cumberland county, but USI ME065S)
during the same day. Mark will use verticals for 80-10m,
and a 3 element yagi on 6 meters with 100 watts. Look for
activity on or near the IOTA frequencies with his focus

mainly on the RSGB IOTA Contest either on CW or SSB. QSL
via his home callsign.

EU-149. Operators Alan/G0RCI, Pete/M0USY, Harry/G7DEH, Alan/G4VUA
and Brian/M0JNC will be active as GB0YG from Holy Island
(Ynys Gybi), Wales, between June 24-29th. Activity will be on
the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct only to G0RCI.

EU-170. Jernej, S59KM, will be active as 9A/S59KM from Ugljan Island
(ACIA IC-339, CIA-53, IOCA CI-134, MIA MC-441) between June
25th and July 2nd. Activity will be on 60/40/20/15/10/6/2
meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct
or by the Bureau.

NA-081. Operators Ken/W8ND, Butch/N8CHS and Kelly/K8MCN will be active
as W8ND/VE1 from Big Tancook Island (CISA NS012, WW Loc.
FN74WL), Nova Scotia, between July 23-26th. Activity will
include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via K8MCN,
direct or by the Bureau.

NA-099. Members of the Fajardo Amateur DX Club, KP4DXC, will be active
from Culebra Island (USI PR002, WLOTA 0549), between 1500z,
June 26th and 2300z, June 28th. The group will use basic radio
equipment for this operation such as basic antennas like
dipoles and home brewed Buddistick antennas for 40-6 meters
and also a vertical for 80m. Jose, KP4VP, will be one of the
operators and expects to operate mostly CW and Digital modes.
QSL via KP4VP or KP4DXC, direct or by the Bureau. Look for
more information and their operating frequencies at:
http://kp4dxc.tripod.com

SA-048. Members of the 4M5DX Group will be active as YW5P from Patos
Island sometime in July (no official dates were given).
Activity will be on all bands and modes. Look for updates on:
http://www.yw5p.4m5dx.info

IS0, SARDINIA (EU-024). Flaviano, I2MOV, informs OPDX that he will depart
for Sardinia on July 20th, and will be active for about two months as
IS0/I2MOV. His QTH will be Dolianova 20km north from Cagliari. His Grid
Locator is JM49OJ. He will mainly be active on CW using an IC706MKIIG
and a vertical antenna for 7 bands (40/30/20/17/15/12/10m). He will also
be active on 6 meters, mainly in CW, using a home-made dipole. QSL via
his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Visit his Web pages at:
http://i2mov.too.it --or-- http://www.webalice.it/flav_i2mov

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND (Update). Co-leaders Tom/N4XP and Dave/WB4JTT have
posted the following press release (Number 4 -- dated June 16th)(edited):
"Planning and arrangements have now become happenings. Equipment and
loaner gear is being shipped or staged for shipment later. We have added
three new operators to the team, James/9V1YC, Arnie/N6HC and Tom/ND2T.
With these three additions come years of experience and only add to the
overall team experience now in place. The makeup of the team is as follows:

KH7U, W8GEX, W8CAA, W6OSP, N4XP, N1DG, AA4NN, W6KK, N7CQQ, DJ9ZB, N4PN, WA7NB, EA1IR, K9CT, WB4JTT, ND2T, N6HC, and 9V1YC. This month we are highlighting three more team members. You can read all their history under 'Meet the ops part III' at: http://www.midway2009.com/meettheops3.html Many of the team members were at Dayton and took advantage of being together by conducting their first meeting as a group. They also enjoyed meeting the DXers that are always in attendance. We are still accepting contributions and all donations received are greatly appreciated. Remember, contributing is easy and fast and can be forwarded several ways. You can visit the <www.midway2009.com> Web site and use Pay Pal or a credit card or by the U.S. Mail. All contributions are noted on the Web site and depending on the level of support will be noted on the DXpedition QSL. And the Midway Store is always open and available for your purchase of Midway souvenirs. Our Web site also now shows take-offs to numerous areas around the world. Take a look at these and see your direction." Remember, this DXpedition is scheduled for October 9-19th.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Polish operators Mek/SP7VC and Janusz/SP6IXF will be active as OY/homecall between August 10-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters SSB and 2m (Random 144355.0 MHz) meteorscatter FSK441 during the Perseid meteor shower. Operations will be from the IP61 grid square. They plan to have amps for every band and will be using the following antenna system: HF - Spiderbeam, R-7 and INV-L for 160-80m + beverages
2m - A 2M5WL yagi
6m - 6 element yagi
QSL via their home callsigns.

PA123, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Members from the Dutch R31 M/N Limburg will be active as PA123OLS from St. Sebastianus, Neer, between June 29th and July 12th. Activity is taking place during a (123) Dutch/Belgium historical event. The suffix "OLS" stands for "Oud Limburgs Schuttersfeest", an annual shooting match between 160 shooting clubs (citizen force) from the Dutch and Belgium provinces of Limburg. The team of Neer won last year, so the event will takes place in Neer. Look for operations on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK with activity on all bands. QSL via PE1NCP, direct or by the Bureau.

PH100, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Members of the Vereniging voor Experimenteel Radio Onderzoek (VERON - Section 54 - PI4ETL) will be active as PH100EL between now and July 12th. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of aviation in the Netherlands by pioneer Count Charles de Lambert. QSL via PD0PVQ. A special award is available (100 Years of Aviation in Etten-Leur) with mode endorsements. See details on QRZ.com.

PX8/ZX8, BRAZIL (IOTA and LH Ops). Operators Orlando/PT2OP and Jurandir/ PT2TJ plan to activate the following islands and lighthouses during the first part of July:
July 3-8th: Requested callsign PX8M; Lighthouse of Sao Joao (WLOTA LH-213, ARLHS BRA-093) on the Island of Maiau (DFB MA-01, IOTA SA-041), in the State of Maranhao; Grid Locator: GI78nr

July 8-11th: Requested callsign ZX8A; Lighthouse of Aracagi (ARLHS
BRA-005) on the Island of Sao Luis (DFB MA-07, IOTA SA-016,
DIB MA-01), in the State of Maranhao; Grid Locator: GI77wn
QSL information was not provided.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSLS VIA LOTW: H44MY and OD5/OK1MU

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5T5DC, 7Z1UG, C91TX, CE0Y/9A4X, CE0Y/LA6IKA,
FO/N6JA, FW5RE, HC8/UX0HX, HH7/N3BNA, HI9/EA3WL, J75KG, K5D, N3DXX/6Y5,
OX3MC, OZ8ABE, PS0F, S04R, ST2EB, T31DX, T32YY, TA2RC, TO2T, TO3R,
TO5FJ, VP2V/NY6X, VP2V/SP3IPB, VX1RNS/p and YJ0KS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O60BH, 4X1IM, CT1ETX, CU3EJ, DA0HQ, DF0HQ,
DL0DG, DU67RG, EA9/EA7RU, ES1QD/5, FS/K1XM, HB9HQ, HH2FYD, IQ5FI, IR6D,
IR9K, IR9MDC, IZ1MHV, K0TV, K4ZW, KG9N, KP4ED, LZ5Z, LZ9W, NU1AW, OH1JO,
OH3OJ, P49Y, PJ2/DL8OBQ, PY5EG, RA6GW, RI1GK, RK3SWB, RK6CM, RU3VD,
RU9AC, RZ1OA/1, RZ9HWA, SP2PHA/2, SV2/YO3JW/P, SV2BS, T93J, TU5JM, UA9BA,
UE1OTA, UE1OTA/1, UE3EDA/1, UE6LHT, VC3J, VE3SY, W4RM, WU3A and XT2SE

SV5, DODECANESE. George, K4IIO/GM0IIO, will be active as SV5/GM0IIO from
the Island of Rhodes (EU-001) between July 1-8th. Activity will be on 20
meters CW/SSB using a FT-857D w/100 watts into a 20m Par Electronics
End-Fedz. Watch 14025 and 14305 kHz. QSL via GM0IIO.

TY, BENIN (Update). In close cooperation between the DAGOE Foundation,
Mercy Ships and 5 Dutch radio amateurs, a new DXpedition to Benin is on
its way. The special event callsign of the "Benin 2009 Radio Expedition"
will be TY1MS which will take place between October 10-27th. Operators
mentioned are Ad/PA8AD, Arie/PA3AN, Henk/PA3AWW and Bas/PD0CAV. As
mentioned earlier, the team will also participate in the 2009 CQWW DX
SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL Manager is PA3AWW (direct or by the
Bureau). An online QSL REQUEST service will be available. PLEASE NOTE:
QSL cards that are requested via direct mail or InterNet, will be shipped
around Christmas 2009. The main purpose of this DXpedition is to raise
funds for a Mercy Ships project in Benin, provide help to the charity
project and activate Benin on HF. Look for more details about the TY1MS
DXpedition, the project and Mercy Ships at: http://www.benin2009.com

TO8, ST. BARTHELEMY. Operators Ruediger/DK8YY and Ingolf/DL4JS will be
active as TO8YY between June 29th and July 7th. Activity will be on
160-10 meters with an emphasis on the lower bands (160/80m). QSL via
DH7WW. Once active, check for updates on the ON4KST chat page at:
http://www.on4kst.com/chat/start.php

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Art/N3DXX and Steve/KN5H will
be active as VP2V/KN5H from Tortola during the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via KN5H. Look for CW
and RTTY activity before the contest.

YW0, AVES ISLAND. On the YW0A Web page, it was announced that this
DXpedition has been rescheduled due to the hurricane season over the

Caribbean Sea. No dates were announced. For updates, watch:
http://yw0a.4m5dx.info/home.html

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10068. RE: [DX-IS] off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 08:58:45 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10064 Message: 10068

Dale,

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GL, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Sunday, 21 June 2009 11:22 AM
To: N3FJP_Software_Users; DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] off subject (kinda)

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TIA

Dale H. Cole K8TS

Jackson, MI

10069. Re: [DX-IS] off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 11:48:01 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10064 Message: 10069

Heck, I have IE7, Firefox and Netscape 7.2 all installed at the same time. I can run them all at the same time, too. My preference is Forefox, Netscape and IE7, in that order. Netscape 7 has the advantage of an e-mail program, which I really like.
73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Jun 22, 2009 at 3:58 AM, Lance Martin <
lance.martin@...> wrote:

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10070. Re: [DX-IS] off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 11:53:34 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 10064 Message: 10070

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I answered Dale off the reflector, but for others considering Firefox, I have been using it for several months with no problems. LOTW & N3FJP software all work fine. Additionally I don't have the hang-ups that I was having with IE. It is also noticeably faster than IE. I also changed to Mozilla Thunderbird for my e-mail program. I like it much better than either Outlook or Outlook Express.

73,
Mike, W5UC
God is great, beer is good, and people are crazy
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

10071. Re: [DX-IS] off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 14:27:48 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 10064 Message: 10071

Never had a Web site that Firefox can't open. I'd stick to Firefox and throw away explorer. For me Explorer is way too slow for opening WebPages. Rob HK3CW
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10072. Re: off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 14:40:11 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10064 Message: 10072

Since DX is slow, and Dale raised an interesting point, here is
a copy of what I also sent him in private:

At 12:22 AM 6/21/2009, you wrote:

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I use it all the time, Dale, and it is faster and better than
IE. You need to have IE on your system so Microsoft can do its
security updates to XP, and there is 1 in 5000 web sites that are set
up so they work better with IE. Let FireFox install and when it asks
you if you want it to be your default browser, let it. It will want
to import bookmarks (IE calls them favorites), cookies, etc. from
IE. Let it do that too. It will take a day or so to get used to it,
but once you do, you'll like it better.

I use it with LoTW and have done so for over a year. No problems at all.

Now . . . as to mail, I'm not sure. I use an email program
called Eudora and have used it for 15+ years. I can't see why
Outlook Express would not live happily with FireFox. You might want
to wait for more opinions on the email aspect as I never use Outlook
Express (Microsoft's default mail program.) Surely others do, and
use it with FireFox installed, but best to verify this.

73, Paul VE1DX

10073. Good news - 2 cycle 24 sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 14:43:11 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10073 Message: 10073

Look at:

http://www.solarcycle24.com/

It *appears* we have 2 cycle 24 sunspots for the first
time. This could be the beginning of interesting times. In a day or
so it may drive the flux up above 70 again.

73, Paul VE1DX

10074. Re: [DX-IS] off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 15:03:42 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 10064 Message: 10074

Dale,

Like others have reported, you can have multiple web browsers installed and running on your computer. There should be no conflicts among them. I have been running FireFox and IE together for years.

The only issue you need to be aware of is the Microsoft Automatic Updates. This system is based on IE and will launch that browser to complete its tasks. You don't want to remove IE if you are using this feature (I do).

Regarding FireFox, there are many nifty add-ons available. One of them is Adblock Plus. This free product blocks 99% of the distracting advertising found on many websites. I consider this a requisite on my computer.

Another handy add-on is NØHR's Propfire. This keeps the current propagation numbers (SF, A, K) numbers on the lower status bar in the right corner.

There's hundreds of other add-ons available to do other specific tasks as well. For example, I use the FireFTP Client to manage my website via FTP and I installed a PDF downloader that allows me to choose what to do when I click on a PDF file (download, open, save, etc).

When you install FireFox it will ask whether to import your bookmarks and/or email address book. This is an opportunity to "start fresh" or import your existing settings if you have it setup "just like you want it."

73 de Bob - KØRC in MN

----- Original Message -----
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10075. Re: [DX-IS] Re: off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 15:09:26 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 10064 Message: 10075

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It looks like Paul concurs with my experience with these browsers.

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10076. Re: [DX-IS] Re: off subject (kinda)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 16:38:30 UTC
From: Willis H. Yule
Topic: 10064 Message: 10076

I have been using Firefox and Outlook Express together for over a year. Outlook Express is no longer serviced by MS but there never was much service anyway. IE in my opinion is a second choice.

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----- Original Message -----
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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10077. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-22 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10077

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 22 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 173 Issued at 2200Z on 22 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 21/2100Z
to 22/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1023 (S22E29) was
numbered this period. The region emerged rapidly on the disk, and
was classified as a 3-spot, Bxo beta sunspot group. Only A-class
x-ray activity was observed from this region. Region 1022 (S26E01)
decayed to an Axx sunspot group. The region was quiet and stable
during the period.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (23 - 25 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
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III. Event Probabilities 23 Jun-25 Jun
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Observed Afr/Ap 21 Jun 006/007
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 23 Jun-25 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
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10078. QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-23 01:02:18 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10078 Message: 10078

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Thanks, in advance for any help.

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Al, VE1AL

10079. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-23 01:29:38 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 10078 Message: 10079

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--- On Mon, 6/22/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

> From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Date: Monday, June 22, 2009, 9:02 PM
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10080. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

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Date: 2009-06-23 01:32:55 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10078 Message: 10080

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10081. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-23 03:31:18 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10078 Message: 10081

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10082. 6 meter DXing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-23 17:09:44 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10082 Message: 10082

The past 24 hours have been great for close in DXing on 6m. The best opening we have had since January 31 of this year. Here is the stuff outside of NA I have worked yesterday and today:

UTC CALL GRID Notes
2041 8R1DB GJ06 Guyana-new country and grid on 6m
2130 NP3CW FK68 Puerto Rico
2224 J39BS FK92 Grenada
2227 NP4A FK68
2242 HI3/LY3UM Dominican Rep. Got his QSL yesterday for 2008 QSO
2302 WP2B FK77 Virgin Islands New Grid
1613 XE2WWW EL06 Loud as usual
1614 XE1GRR DL80
1615 5J0BV EK92 San Andreas Is-New country and grid on 6m
1622 TI2KD EK70 Costa Rica
1624 XE2FGC DL92 Very loud here
1633 XE1JP EK09

Rig: Yaesu FT450 at 100 watts
Ant: MFJ 3 element Yagi at 30 feet

And today isn't over yet!

73s John AA5JG

10083. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-23 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10083

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 23 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 174 Issued at 2200Z on 23 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 22/2100Z
to 23/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. Region 1023 (S25E15) was the only spotted group
on the disk and was stable and quiet.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (24-26 June).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 22/2100Z to 23/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet with a chance for unsettled levels for
the first day (24 June) due to possible coronal hole effects.
Activity levels are expected to be quiet for the second and third
days (25-26 June).
III. Event Probabilities 24 Jun-26 Jun
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10084. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 03:08:36 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10078 Message: 10084

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10085. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 03:30:45 UTC
From: John Klim, N3KHK
Topic: 10078 Message: 10085

Checkout http://www.425dxn.org/425/425-n599.html

From the site

QSL VIA KZ8Y ---> Dave, KZ8Y is the QSL manager for 4S7AR, 4S7AVR,
4S7NMR,
N8DCJ/8P6, 8Q7AZ & TG9NX and apparently does not accept bureau cards. The
QSL
bureau is going to return the cards back to the original bureaux
marked
either "unclaimed" or "QSL Direct Only". [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

I hope this helps,

73 ES CUL

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10086. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 03:37:51 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10078 Message: 10086

KZ8Y is listed at QSL Mgr in the Winter 2001 Callbook.

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I'm sure all the old callbooks must be on the internet. I have quite a few in the CD/DVD piles.

73 John K1ER
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10087. VK9LA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 04:03:27 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10087 Message: 10087

Anybody seen any of the "LA" cards out yet? Too soon?
Dale K8TS

10088. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 20:37:33 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10078 Message: 10088

That's more than I had, Dale. Thanks for the hints.

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2009 12:09 AM
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10089. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 20:40:01 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10078 Message: 10089

Yup, that's the info I have now also, John. Thanks.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2009 12:38 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

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KZ8Y is listed at QSL Mgr in the Winter 2001 Callbook.

The oper was
Romesh Lokuge
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Male
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I'm sure all the old callbooks must be on the internet. I have quite a few in the CD/DVD piles.

73 John K1ER

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS <mailto:k9ttt@comcast.net>
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10090. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 20:39:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10078 Message: 10090

And thank you, John!

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10091. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-24 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10091

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 24 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 175 Issued at 2200Z on 24 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. Region 1023 (S23E01) continues to be the only
spotted region on the disk and was stable and quiet.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to active levels during the
past 24 hours. In particular, active periods were observed between
0300-0900Z and 1800-2100Z. Solar wind signatures showed a change to
slightly disturbed conditions beginning around 0300Z and lasting
through the period: the magnetic field intensity increased, the Bz
component of the solar wind showed occasional moderate fluctuations
with peak negative values around -10 nT early in the day, and around
-20 nT later in the day. In addition the spiral angle phi indicated
two possible sector boundary changes. During the last 12 hours of
the period solar wind velocity was gradually increasing. The
signatures late in the day were consistent with the onset of a
coronal hole high speed stream.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be generally unsettled with a chance for active periods
for the first day (25 June) as the current disturbance continues.
Activity levels are expected to decline to generally quiet levels
for the second and third days (26-27 June).
III. Event Probabilities 25 Jun-27 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
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IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 Jun 067
Predicted 25 Jun-27 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 24 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 Jun 005/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 24 Jun 012/011
Predicted Afr/Ap 25 Jun-27 Jun 008/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 25 Jun-27 Jun
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A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/05/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10092. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 06:40:31 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10078 Message: 10092

A QSL manager that does not accept cards via the bureau? How can this be?

73, Lance - VK6DU

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10093. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 06:49:46 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10078 Message: 10093

He should probably NOT CONTINUE as a QSL Mgr. IMHO

73 John K1ER
QSL Mgr for MANY!
----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2009 8:40 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

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10094. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 16:10:07 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10078 Message: 10094

Simple answer ...

Greed.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@...m
From: lance.martin@...
Date: Thu, 25 Jun 2009 14:40:31 +0800
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

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Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 9:32:55 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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10095. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 16:52:18 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 10078 Message: 10095

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http://www.dxawards.com/

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> *Sent:* Wednesday, 24 June 2009 11:31 AM

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10096. World Radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 17:18:45 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10096 Message: 10096

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....but, in yesterdays mail came a publication free sample called "Military" much in the same format as World Radio and to my surprize, the publisher is Armond Noble. So much for retirement.....

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10097. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 17:41:14 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 10078 Message: 10097

Ted,

I am fortuate to have graciously receive a card from 4L8A back in Feb '08. Always when sending a QSL overseas I include $2.00 to cover costs. In USA with a QSL manager I always include $1.00.

Of course, if instructed otherwise, I follow those directions.

I always include a self-addressed envelope, stamped if USA reply address. I do not put either callsign on the outside of the envelope. BUT, on the inside flap, I write the callsign info, date & time, and note amount enclosed. Thus if my card becomes separated from the return envelope the information is readily available.

John - WA2HIP

--- On Thu, 6/25/09, Ted Melinosky <k1bv@...> wrote:

> From: Ted Melinosky <k1bv@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Thursday, June 25, 2009, 12:52 PM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 18:28:18 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 10096 Message: 10098

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As an aside, CQ magazine ended up extending my CQ subsription until like 2020 to replace the issues of World Radio I lost.

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10100. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 20:58:24 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 10078 Message: 10100

You're one of the "good guys" John.

Most of those who contribute a little extra are DL's and JA's.

I just wonder what the reaction will be when the US airmail rate goes over $1. Right now, it's 98c and the Post Office is hurting.

Ted K1BV
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John P. wrote:
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> Ted,
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> I am fortuate to have graciously receive a card from 4L8A back in
> Feb '08. Always when sending a QSL overseas I include $2.00 to cover
> costs. In USA with a QSL manager I always include $1.00.
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> Of course, if instructed otherwise, I follow those directions.
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> I always include a self-addressed envelope, stamped if USA reply
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> envelope. BUT, on the inside flap, I write the callsign info, date &
> time, and note amount enclosed. Thus if my card becomes separated
> from the return envelope the information is readily available.
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> John - WA2HIP
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> --- On Thu, 6/25/09, Ted Melinosky <k1bv@...> wrote:
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10101. TU2FQ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 21:36:54 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10101 Message: 10101

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Rant over.

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10102. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10102

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 25 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 176 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. No flares occurred
during the past 24 hours. Region 1023 (S23W14) has decayed to
spotless plage. Consequently the entire solar disk is now void of
spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled. Solar wind
observations indicated the presence of a high speed stream from a
coronal hole. Solar wind velocities were slowly declining towards
the end of the period.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next two days (26-27 June). An
increase to predominately unsettled levels with a chance for
isolated active periods is expected on the third day (28 June) in
response to a favorably positioned coronal hole.
III. Event Probabilities 26 Jun-28 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Jun 068
Predicted 26 Jun-28 Jun 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 25 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Jun 016/019
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Jun 006/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Jun-28 Jun 005/005-005/005-008/010
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Jun-28 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/25
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10103. RE: [DX-IS] TU2FQ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 22:31:43 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10101 Message: 10103

All right! Google is wonderful. Perhaps it is no longer available in Europe.

Now that I've had a chance to calm down, check out

http://www.qsl.net/f6blq/ivorycoast.htm

TU2FQ's name is Joel and he's located in Abidjan. He ain't no pirate.

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Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
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10104. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

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Date: 2009-06-25 23:04:20 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10078 Message: 10104

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lance Martin
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2009 3:41 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Klim, N3KHK
Sent: Wednesday, 24 June 2009 11:31 AM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-25 23:22:24 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10078 Message: 10105

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-26 00:35:17 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 10078 Message: 10106

Well,
I budget my DX QSL's so that maybe 5 or 6 each month. This way at the end of the year I have sent out 60 or 70. I focus on new country, special DX events, USA special events, and on request. Mostly in that order of priority.

John

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> From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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> --- On Mon, 6/22/09, Alan Leith
> <aleith@... .ca> wrote:
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> > From: Alan Leith
> <aleith@... .ca>
> > Subject: [DX-IS] QSL help
> needed
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Date: Monday, June
> 22, 2009, 9:02 PM
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10107. RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-26 00:53:33 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10078 Message: 10107

Aside from that 180-degree change in topic, John, I do exactly the same thing. I go after hard-to-have-gotten band countries that never did answer my QSL request. However, the topic had been how QSL managers handle bureau requests.

And for that matter, many thousands of VA1S cards were distributed by the bureau up to five years after the last operation of that call. I unilaterally decided, then, to request QSLs direct with return postage.

For my own part, all VE1AL cards are responded to the same way they are received. Cards that come via the bureau get cards back through the bureau. Direct cards with return postage go back direct. However, I would gestimate that I receive replies from less than 40% of the stations I QSL via the bureau. Certainly not like the good ole days.

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John P.
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2009 9:35 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Well,
I budget my DX QSL's so that maybe 5 or 6 each month. This way at the end of the year I have sent out 60 or 70. I focus on new country, special DX events, USA special events, and on request. Mostly in that order of priority.

John

--- On Thu, 6/25/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

> From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Thursday, June 25, 2009, 7:22 PM
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> Were I in your financial position, John, I,
> too, would be more
> generous.
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> Al, VE1AL
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> From:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of John
> Peters
> Sent:
> Thursday, June 25, 2009 8:04 PM
> To:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL help
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> I guess every QSL Mgr has
> different rules.
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> I treat every QSL like I

> would hope mine will be
> treated. Some are from DX in poor countries. Some are
> from kids.
> Some are from countries like Japan where the QSL Bureau is
> FREE BOTH WAYS to
> members of JARL. The QSL might be one he "really
> needs".
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> I pay a lot to both the
> incoming "1" bureau and the
> ARRL outgoing bureau. I manage for many DX
> stations (Kure,
> Baker/Howland, etc) and I answer every QSL. I
> think the only
> motivation for a QSL manager is satisfaction in helping
> someone get a new
> one. Or helping lighten the load for the DX so
> he can spend more
> time on the air.
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> Every QSL gets an
> answer. Those with no
> envelope via the outgoing buro.
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> 73 John K1ER
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> ----- Original Message
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> From:
> Alan
> Leith
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.
> com
> Sent: Thursday, June
> 25, 2009 10:51
> AM
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS]
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> For years, Lance, I have not accepted QSLs
> for VA1S via the
> bureau. First, I had to pay to have them shipped to
> me and second, I had
> to pay to ship them to the bureau. When I no
> longer was a member
> of the bureau, I simply informed all the DX bulletins of

> my decision and
> stated why. I was willing to respond to direct
> requests with return
> postage, however.
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> Now I am a bureau user again but the VA1S
> logs have gone missing
> and I still have thousands of cards and no logs.
> Pity!
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> Al, VE1AL
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> From:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of
> Lance
> Martin
> Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2009 3:41 AM
> To:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help
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> A QSL manager
> that does not accept cards via the bureau? How can this
> be?
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> 73, Lance -
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of John
> Klim,
> N3KHK
> Sent: Wednesday, 24 June 2009 11:31 AM
> To:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help

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> Checkout http://www.425dxn.
> org/425/425- n599.html
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> From the
> siteQSL VIA KZ8Y ---> Dave, KZ8Y
> is the QSL manager for 4S7AR, 4S7AVR,
> 4S7NMR,N8DCJ/8P6, 8Q7AZ & TG9NX and
> apparently does not accept bureau cards. The
> QSLbureau is going to return
> the cards back to the original
> bureaux markedeither "unclaimed"
> or "QSL Direct Only". [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
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> I hope this
> helps,
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Dale
> Cole
> K8TS
> Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 11:09 PM
> To:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL help
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> Al:
> Found my old Buckmaster
> CD. No listing for 8Q7AZ. For 8Q7IO it
> lists DL7VRO who is
> now sk. QRZ says route is DL 7UBA. Might try
> to get info from him,
> small island, maybe he know something
> GL.
> Dale K8TS
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> Original Message -----
> From: "Dale Cole K8TS"
> <k9ttt@comcast. net>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent:
> Monday, June 22, 2009 11:31:18 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada
> Eastern
> Subject: Re:
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> Alan;
> I have an old ham call
> cd (age ?) If I can find it I will check it
> out. Will be cleaning
> (or trying to) the shack--shouul run across it.
> Dale K8TS
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> Original Message -----
> From: "Alan Leith"
> <aleith@... .ca>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent:
> Monday, June 22, 2009 9:32:55 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada
> Eastern
> Subject: RE:
> [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Thanks,
> John. I wonder how
> I missed that. Oh well! I'll give it a
> try.
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of John
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> P.
> Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 10:30 PM
> To:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
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10108. ARLD025 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-26 12:32:34 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 4898 Message: 10108

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ARLD025 DX news

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DX Bulletin 25 ARLD025
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 25, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD025 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by G3KMA, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MAURITIUS, 3B8. Luc, I3LDP will be QRV as 3B8/home call from June 29 to July 11. Activity will be on all HF bands, including 6 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

FIJI, 3D2. JA1NLX will be QRV as 3D2YA from Mana Island, IOTA OC-121, from June 29 to July 3. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL to home call.

SENEGAL, 6W. Devon, PD9DX is QRV as 6W/home call until July 5. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Vlad, RA9LR is QRV as 8Q7LR from Hudhuranfushi Island, IOTA AS-013, until July 2. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mainly digital modes with some SSB. QSL to home call.

CROATIA, 9A. Jernej, S59KM is QRV as 9A/S59KM from Ugljan Island, IOTA EU-170, until July 2. Activity is on 40 to 2 meters, including 60 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Michel, HB9BOI is QRV as D44TOI from Sal Island, IOTA AF-086, until June 30. Activity is mainly on 20 meters using SSB, with some activity on 17 meters SSB. QSL to home call.

ST BARTHELEMY, FJ. Operators Ruediger, DK8YY and Ingolf, DL4JS will be QRV as TO8YY from June 29 to July 7. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters with an emphasis placed on 160 and 80 meters. QSL via DH7WW.

WALES, GW. Operators Alan, G0RCI, Pete, M0USY, Harry, G7DEH, Alan, G4VUA and Brian, M0JNC are QRV as GB0YG from Holy Island, IOTA

EU-149, until June 29. Activity is on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct to G0RCI.

BULGARIA, LZ. Operators LZ4ZD and LZ1ZF are QRV as LZ01WFF from the Shumensko Plateau Natural Park until June 28. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters, and possibly 6 and 2 meters. QSL via LZ1ZF.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Several operators from Limburg will be QRV using special event call PA123OLS from June 29 to July 12 from the ''Oud Limburgs Schuttersfeest, an annual marksmen's festival. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via bureau.

BRAZIL, PY. Orlando, PT2TJ will be QRV as PX8M from Maiau Island, IOTA SA-041, from July 3 to 8. This includes being active from the Sao Joao Lighthouse, ARLHS BRA-093. QSL via PT2OP.

GREECE, SV. Special event call SY2O will be QRV from June 27 to 29 during the Olympus Marathon, an annual run on Mount Olympus. QSL direct via SV2FLQ.

DODECANESE, SV5. George, GM0IIO will be QRV as SV5/GM0IIO from Rhodes, IOTA EU-001, from July 1 to 8. Activity will be on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

MALI, TZ. Ed, W0SD and Arliss, W7XU and possibly other operators are QRV as TZ6EI until July 5. Emphasis is on 6 meters, looking for sporadic-E openings. They are monitoring 50103 kHz. QSL via W7XU.

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, V2. Jimmy, W6JKV is QRV as V29JKV from Antigua, IOTA NA-100, until July 3. Activity is mainly on 6 meters with some HF activity as well. QSL to home call.

MICRONESIA, V6. Yuki, JH1NBN is QRV from here while on a business trip. He is traveling and operating from three islands. He is currently active as V6P from Pohnpei until July 4, V6C from Chuuk Island from July 4 to 12, V6T from Kosrae and back to Pohnpei as V6P from July 21 to 25. He may also be active as V63AQ. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters in his spare time. QSL to home call.

IOTA CORRECTION. As reported in DX news ARLD024, Kharancy Island is not a new IOTA.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. ARRL Field Day, His Majesty King of Spain SSB Contest, Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest, Marconi Memorial HF CW Contest, ARCI Milliwatt Field Day and the SARL Digital PSK Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The RAC Canada Day Contest is scheduled for July 1. Please see June QST, page 80 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10109. [425ENG] 425 DX News #947 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-26 16:14:46 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10109 Message: 10109

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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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26 June 2009

From: NCDXF

Subject: W0YK, Ed Muns, appointed to NCDXF Advisory Board

The Northern California DX Foundation Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Ed Muns, W0YK, as an Advisor to the NCDXF Board of Directors. Ed's primary duty, along with Doug Bender, WW6D, will be working with the NCDXF website: http://www.ncdxf.org

Ed became interested in ham radio in high school, working 40 meter CW into Asia in the early morning hours before school. During college, his license expired and he rejoined DXing ten years later in the early part of his 32-year career at Hewlett-Packard. Ed's interest in DXing quickly morphed into contesting where a lot of DX participates. All of his ham radio time today is spent contesting, chasing DX and joining DXpeditions occasionally. Favoring CW, Ed can sometimes be found on SSB as well.

Thanks to his contest club's (NCCC) campaign to win the club competition gavel in the 2004 ARRL RTTY Round-Up, Ed got started in that mode. He holds the SOHP world record in the contest, operating with his P49X callsign, having broken the world record in 2006, 2007 and 2009. In CQ WPX RTTY, Ed also holds the SOHP world record, having broken it in 2007, 2008 and 2009. In 2008, he operated the CQWW RTTY contest, winning SOHP.

Ed was on the YK0A team in 1994 and has operated as 6Y0A and 6Y4A as well as holding the 7J1ACJ call sign. From Aruba, where he holds a permanent visitor license as P49X, he has operated nearly a dozen times, primarily CW and RTTY contests. He has operated from the HC8N mega-station in a M2 operation in the CQWW RTTY, winning the world. He recently joined the

Radio Expeditions team, of VP6DX fame, on the management team with specific focus on funding.

Ed has taught the RTTY curriculum at Contest University at Dayton in 2008 and 2009 as well as at Contest Academy at Visalia in 2009. He is the contest manager and log checker for the NCJ NA RTTY Sprint and both CQ RTTY contests: CQWW and CQ WPX. He serves on the CQ Contest Advisory Board. For the NCCC, Ed manages the NCCC, CQP and NCCC Sprint web sites as well as the club's various email reflectors. He has published several articles in the NCJ.

We think Ed will have a lot of insight for what will be needed to keep the NCDXF website a dynamic and useful website for DXers.

The NCDXF Board of Directors wants to thank the many individuals who have contributed support to NCDXF. We realize that these financial times have put a strain on many of us, but think about the thrill of working a "new one" or band counter and its impact on your country totals - priceless, right? If you are currently not a member, please consider contributing to support future DXpeditions.

Since May 2008, NCDXF has provided financial help to the following DXpeditions:

4W6R Timor Lorosa'e
VK9XWW Christmas Island
VK9CJW Cocos-Keeling
OJ0B Market Reef
VK9DWX Willis Island
A5100A Bhutan
E44M Palestine (Bethlehem)
FW5RE Wallis & Fortuna
K5D Desecheo Island
VK9LA Lord Howe Island
S04R Western Sahara

Hopefully you worked one or more of these DXpeditions!

Contributions can now easily be made on-line using our SSL secured web server: https://www.ncdxf.org/donate

Glenn Johnson, W0GJ
Vice President, NCDXF

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10111. ARLP026 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-26 19:44:52 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5019 Message: 10111

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ARLP026 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP26
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 26 ARLP026
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA June 26, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP026
ARLP026 Propagation de K7RA

Thanks to Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA for writing last week's
Propagation Forecast bulletin.

Two new sunspots appeared last week, numbered 1022 and 1023, and
both were Cycle 24 spots. 1022 lasted through June 23 and 1023
until June 24. On June 24 geomagnetic indices were unsettled.

This weekend is ARRL Field Day, and conditions should be stable.
Planetary A index is predicted to be around five, which is quiet.

Chip Margelli, K7JA wrote about some surprising openings last week.
He writes, "Sunspots or no, there are DX opportunities even with a
solar flux of 67. Both Friday and Saturday nights (U.S. time June
19-20), the 21 MHz and 28 MHz bands were open to Japan from my
location in southern California, and along much of the West Coast,
around 0500-0800 UTC (that's 10 PM to at least 1 AM!). Both nights,
the 15-meter CW band was crawling with loud JA signals from stations
working the All Asian DX Contest, and there were many loud signals
on 10 meters, as well. I fear many did not think to check ten at
this hour, but it very much was open."

He continues, "And Saturday night I worked 54 JA stations in a nice
run on 50 MHz, so perhaps those noctilucent clouds were being kind
to me."

Steve Brandt, N7VS of Portland, Oregon had a similar observation.
On 10 meters CW last Friday night (at 0336z Saturday) Steve worked
JK1YMM in the All Asia CW Contest with S7 reports in both
directions. Steve also observed sporadic-E openings this week out
to about 1,000 miles, and said other stations have reported working
Japan on 10 meters this week.

In last week's bulletin, Carl mentioned the upcoming DXpedition to
Glorioso in July. Now he has written a set of predictions for

propagation to Glorioso from various areas, and you can see it at http://mysite.verizon.net/k9la/id11.html. Just click on the "Glorioso in July 2009" link.

I received some interesting mail from Red Haines, WO0W of La Crescent, Minnesota. I did a search for past emails from him, and came across an unread mail from December, 2007. Just to review and clarify, an ionosonde is a tool for measuring the critical frequency (f0F2) for the area just above. It sweeps an RF signal, beaming straight up, and looks for reflections.

Some quotes from Red occupy the next few paragraphs.

"Though we use the sunspot number and the solar flux index to assess propagation expectations, there is only an indirect connection between these indices and propagation. Neither sunspots nor the radiation measured by the solar flux index directly increase or decrease the levels of ionization in the ionosphere. All three are determined, somewhat independently, by physical processes on or in the Sun.

"Sunspots and the solar flux are caused by solar conditions that are often associated to a limited degree with high energy radiation that reaches Earth and ionizes molecules in the atmosphere. Only the energetic radiation (UV, X-ray, and Gamma rays) from the Sun or other sources ionize those molecules. The solar flux radiation is not energetic enough. The sunspots are only a visual phenomena associated with solar events, including radiation. It often happens that no solar radiation associated with a sunspot reaches Earth.

"In past years, we didn't have any better predictors of propagation than the sunspot number and the solar flux index. They remain useful, but we must recognize their limitations. In fact, propagation correlates very poorly with them. Smoothed sunspot numbers are useful to study the solar activity cycle. Smoothed sunspot number doesn't predict the next day's propagation or even the next cycle's timing or magnitude. In fact, the smoothed SSN cannot be calculated until 6 moths have passed. The daily SSN is just about meaningless to propagation.

"Today, we have better indicators of propagation potential. Hams may view near real time measures of X-ray radiation from the GOES satellites. See http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/today.html.

"The various propagation beacons are very useful to assess current propagation.

"A source of near real time ionospheric conditions, including the various critical frequencies, may be accessed at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/lists/iono_day/. This index links to the worldwide system of ionosondes to report measured values on short time intervals, typically near 15 minutes. The shortcoming is

the relatively small number of ionosondes, which requires interpolation to estimate the MUF for a propagation path, as well as educated guesses regarding details of the path.

"The Australian IPS Radio and Space Services offer several maps that attempt to depict interpolated propagation conditions, based on ionosonde measurements. For an example and links to additional products, see http://www.ips.gov.au/HF_Systems/4/3."

In a message from June 15, Red wrote:

"Perhaps you already noted the large increase in f0F2 reported by the ionosonde at Boulder. Rapid fluctuations beginning after 1200Z June 14 reached high values as high as 14 MHz. The fluctuations were prominent.

"By the time I noticed and turned to the DX beacons, values were back to usual and the RTTY signals interfered too much to discern much on 14.1 MHz. By that time, about 2300z, I didn't hear any beacons on 21.150 MHz. I sure wish the RTTY operators were more aware of the value of those beacons, to themselves as much as to others.

"Signals on 80 meters at 2330z, from net stations that I work every day at that time, were about 20 dB lower than has been typical during recent weeks. These were stations within MN. Perhaps D-layer absorption was increased.

"On a region net at 0045z, also 80 meters, signals were a bit lower, but were back to normal at 0230z, as were the MN net signals at 0250z.

"I haven't found the cause of the ionospheric fluctuations. I examined the graph of X-ray flux and it was 'flatlined.' I found no evidence of any major particulate density reaching Earth from the Sun. Of more general interest, the Millstone station resumed posting ionosonde readings for a couple weeks, though not continuous, but has discontinued the postings.

"I suspect that the IPS maps are relatively inaccurate for lack of ionosonde data. I not considerable disparity between those maps in the US and the Boulder data. I began recording the Boulder data to study that in greater detail."

And finally on June 23, this from Red:

"You probably noted the appearance in the southern hemisphere of two sunspot groups with a SSN of 24 on June 22. Did you also notice a burst of low energy X-ray on June 22 and the large excursions of f0F2 at about 1400z, 2300z (June 22z), and 0800z (June 23z)? The f0F2 reported by Boulder reached 11 MHz at 0800z June 23 and displays a series of high and low excursions.

"The other ionosondes in the USA continue to report no data. IPS maps are not tracking these excursions, probably because data needed for the map model is lacking."

We also had several reports on grayline propagation recently. Here are two of them.

On June 12, Roland Spoon, AH6RR of Kailua Kona, on the Big Island of Hawaii wrote, "The past 2 weeks has just been hopping on 20 meters here in Hawaii I have been making contacts almost world wide with the exception of South America (???) Evening Grayline is open to Africa, Asia, Middle East, Europe and Oceania. With openings to Europe until 10+ pm local time, signals are between S5 and 20 over 9. Morning grayline Favors the Middle East and Africa with some light but workable Europe. Stu KH7DX reports that between midnight local and 4am good openings to the Indian Ocean Africa. We have been having a blast working the pile-ups."

Another grayline report came from Brian Webb, KD6NRP of Ventura County, California. On Monday at 0350z (Sunday night local time) Brian was on PSK31, and writes, "I called CQ on 14070 kHz with no takers. Just as I was reaching up to close my software, someone answered. The other station had a funny call and I suspected my system hadn't decoded the signal correctly.

"But the other station repeated his call and I was receiving it correctly. I then proceeded to have a brief, but exciting QSO with Nigel, E51SC, in Rarotonga in the South Cook Islands.

"Despite the low solar flux and my compromise antenna, the contact apparently was made possible due to grayline propagation. A check of my propagation software confirmed that at 0400Z the terminator (day/night line) ran through southern California to the South Cook Islands."

To end, note that the solar flux numbers at the bottom are not resolved to one tenth of a point. For some reason I could not connect to the FTP server at Penticton that hosts the data.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for June 18 through 24 were 0, 0, 0, 12, 24, 12, and 14 with a mean of 8.9. 10.7 cm flux was 68, 67, 67, 67, 68, 68, and 67 with a mean of 67.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 4, 6, 7, 3, 4 and 19 with a mean of 6.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 1, 5, 6, 2, 5 and 16 with a mean of 5.3.
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10112. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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Date: 2009-06-26 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10112

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 26 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 177 Issued at 2200Z on 26 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 25/2100Z
to 26/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk was void of spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 25/2100Z to 26/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the first day (27 June). An increase to
unsettled levels with a chance for active periods is expected on the
second day (28 June) due to a favorably positioned coronal hole.
Conditions are expected to be quiet on the third day (29 June).
III. Event Probabilities 27 Jun-29 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 26 Jun 067
Predicted 27 Jun-29 Jun 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 26 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 Jun 006/007
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 Jun 003/004
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 Jun-29 Jun 005/005-008/010-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 Jun-29 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/25/05
Minor storm 01/05/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10113. [425ENG] 425 DX News #947

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3A - Gab, HA3JB will be active as 3A/HG3IPA from Monaco on 23-30 September, including an entry in the CQ WW RTTY DX Contest. This activity will be good for the Hungarian International Police Association Award (on-line log and information on the award can be found at http://www.ha3jb.com). QSL via HA3JB. [TNX HA3JB]
3B8 - I3LDP will be active as 3B8/I3LDP from Mauritius Island (AF-049) from 29 June to 11 July. He will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands with a vertical for 40-10 metres, and on 6 metres with a vertical dipole. QSL via I3LDP. [TNX MMMonVHF and DL8EBW]
5R - Wayne, W5KDJ will be active as 5R8KD from the shack of 5R8FU in Antananarivo, Madagascar (AF-013) on 4-17 July. He will operate CW and RTTY on 6-160 metres and will also be active during the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via W5KDJ. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Log search at http://www.tdxs.net/5r8kd.html [TNX W9DX]
6W - Dervin, PD9DX will be active as 6W/PD9DX from Senegal from 26 June to 5 July. He plans to operate holiday style on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX PD9DX]
9A - Once again Zik, VE3ZIK (DO7ZZ) will be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice, Croatia between 2 July and 3 August. He plans to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands, and to participate in the IOTA Contest from IOTA group EU-170. QSL via DO7ZZ, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to zibert@...). Logs will be uploaded to eQSL and LotW. [TNX VE3ZIK]
CO - Edor, CO7PH and a group of operators from the Ceballos Radio Club plan to participate in the IOTA Contest from Cayo Coco (NA-086) as either T47C (requested callsign) or CO7PH/p. A late December expedition to Cayo Anclitas, Jardines de la Reina Archipelago (NA-201) is also being planned. [TNX CO7PH]
CT - The Portuguese Navy Amateur Radio Group (Nucleo de Radioamadores da Armada) will be active from four lighthouses (two on mainland Portugal and two on Terceira Island, Azores) as follows:
4 July CR5NRA Cabo Sardao (Portugal) ARLHS POR-014

11 July CR1NRA Praia da Vitoria South Mole (Azores) ARLHS AZO-027
18 July CR6NRA Cabo da Roca (Portugal) ARLHS POR-007
1 August CR2NRA Lajes (Azores) ARLHS AZO-010
QSL direct only to Nucleo de Radioamadores da Armada, ETNA - Base Naval de Lisboa, 2801-001 Alfeite, Almada, Portugal. [TNX CT1END]
CT7 - Celebrating the 57th anniversary of the Portuguese Air Force, special event station CR57FAP will be active on 27-28 June, 1 July and 4-5 July. Expect activity on 10-80 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via CT1REP. [TNX CT1END]
EA9 - Six operators from Ceuta will be active as ED9NA as a Multi-Multi Entry in this weekend's His Majesty the King of Spain Contest (complete information at www.ure.es/contest/431-sm-el-rey-contest-english-version.html). QSL via EA9GW, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
F - Thomas, DL5MO will be active as F/DL5MO from Groix Island (EU-048) from 29 June to 10 July. He will operate holiday style mainly on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
F - A group of operators from the Sevran Radio Club will be active as F5KKD/p from Sein Island (EU-068) on 24-27 July, IOTA Contest included. A second activity is planned to take place from Belle Ile (EU-048) on 11-14 September. QSL for both the activities via bureau to F5KKD. The web pages for the activities are at http://iota2009.crxcluster.com [TNX F5NQL]
F - To recover from the trip to Rockall and to start preparation for a new attempt, the Rockall 2009 crew and support team (ON3DX, ON4AHF, ON4ATW, ON4HIL, ON4IA, ON6CC, ON6LEO, ON6NL, ON6ZU and ON7YT) will participate in the IOTA Contest (25-26 July) as F/OT2A from Ile de Batz (EU-105). QSL via ON4HIL. [TNX ON4ATW]
FJ - Rich, DK8YY and Ingolf, DL4JS will be active as TO8YY from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) from 29 June to 8 July. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, with an emphasis on the low bands, 10 and 12 metres. QSL via DH7WW. [TNX DK8YY]
G - In 1939 the radio equipment of all British radio amateurs was ordered to be confiscated for the duration of the war, but many amateurs volunteered to become Voluntary Interceptors in their own homes. They would assist the Allies in their task of intercepting encrypted Enigma messages transmitted in Morse code, which were passed to the code breakers in Bletchley Park. Commemorating the 70th anniversary of the commencement of that operation, the Scarborough Special Events Group will be active as GB70VI from 27 June until 24 July. QSL via the RSGB bureau or direct via G0OOO.
GM - Iain, MM0TFU will be active as MM0TFU/p from the Isle of Arran (EU-123) on 24-27 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
GW - The Strumblehead DX and Contest Group will be active as MC0SHL from Ramsey Island (EU-124) from 18 UTC on 24 July through 14 UTC on the 27th, including an entry in the IOTA Contest as MW9W. They will operate on 80-10 metres SSB, with some 30m RTTY planned by G1VDP. QSL via M0URX. Further information can be found at http://www.mc0shl.com [TNX G1VDP]

KP4 - Special callsign K4G will be used from La Cana Lighthouse at Guanica, Puerto Rico (NA-099) during the World Lighthouse On The Air Contest on 4-5 July (information at www.wlota.com). QSL via WP3MW. [TNX F5NQL]
LX - PA0JED, PA0TEN, PA1H, PA2AWU, PA2PKZ, PA4VHF, PA5CA, PA5R, PE2HG and PD9DX will be active as LX/PA6Z from Luxembourg on 4-10 October. They will operate CW, SSB and PSK31 on 160-10 metres, and they also plan to have a 6m station for meteor scatter om WSJT. QSL via PA9M, direct or bureau. More information and updates at http://www.pa6z.nl [TNX PA5R]
ON - The Belgian Air Force Amateur Radio Association (www.bafara.be) will operate special event station ON16FF from 29 June to 12 July. QSL via ON6KN, direct or bureau. [TNX ON6KN]
OY - Look for Janusz, OY/SP6IXF and Mek, OY/SP7VC to operate from the Faroe Islands (EU-018, Grid locator IP61) on 10-16 August. They plan to be active on 160-6 metres, and on 2 metres meteor scatter on FSK441. Power amplifiers will be used on all bands. Mek, SP7VC will also operate on 6 and 2 metres as SP7VC/mm during the voyage, to activate marine squares JO37, 27, 17, 18, 19, 09 and IP80,81 and 71. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX SP5UAF]
OZ - OZ2TF, OZ7KDJ and OZ9V will be active as OZ8MW/p from Anholt Island (EU-088) on 22-27 July. They will operate CW and SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via OZ8MW, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PA - A team of operators from VERON A31 (Midden/Noord-Limburg) will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on all bands as PA123OLS from 29 June to 12 July for the 123rd "Oud Limburgs Schuttersfeest". QSL via PE1NCP, direct or bureau. [TNX PE1NCP]
SP - Sixteen special event stations will be active on 1-7 July to celebrate the Tall Ships Races 2009 regatta calling at the Polish harbour of Gdynia. Participating stations include SN2009TSR, SN09T, SN09A, SN09L, SP09L, SN09S, SN09H, SN09I, SN09P, SP09S, SN09R, SP09A, SN09C, SN09E, SQ09S and SN50ZAGLE. Information on the event and the relevant award can be found at http://sp2zie.gd.pl/tsr_about.php [TNX VA3RJ]
SV - Look for SV8/OK2BOB/p and SV8/OK2BC/p to be active from Lesvos Island (EU-049) until 2 July. They operate SSB and CW on 160-10 metres, with 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres as primary bands. QSL via home calls. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
SV - Nick, SV1CEI will be active as SV1CEI/8 from Kea Island (EU-067) until 25 August. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB and CW, with activity form a couple of lighthouses being planned. [TNX SV1CEI]
SV - Theo, SV1EJD (http://www.sv1ejd.gr/) will be active as SV8/SV1EJD from Lesvos Island (EU-049) on 12-22 July. He plans to operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNZ SV1EJD]
SV - Laci, HA0NAR will be active as SX8R from Thassos Island (EU-174) on 22-31 July. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres and will take part in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or

bureau. [TNX HA0NAR]
TY - PA8AD, PA3AN, PA3AWW and PD0CAV will be active as TY1MS from Grand Popo, Benin on 10-27 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Their goals are to activate this DXCC Entity on 160-10 metres, to provide onsite help and raise funds for the Mercy Ships Charity Project. QSL via PA3AWW, direct or bureau. Further information (including OQRS for direct QSLling) can be found at http://www.benin2009.com
UR - Vladimir, UU6JJ plans to be active from the lighthouse at Mys Chernyy (ARLHS UKR-135) on 4-5 July. Complete information on the Ukrainian Lighthouses Award can be found at http://www.lights.in.ua [TNX US4LGW]
V6 - Yuki, JH1NBN (V63AQ) is in Micronesia on a business trip until 21 July, and operates on 80-6 metres in his spare time. His itinerary is as follows:
22 June-4 July V6P Pohnpei (OC-010)
4-12 July V6C Chuuk (OC-011)
13-21 July V6T Kosrae (OC-059)
21-25 July V6P Pohnpei (OC-010)
He might also operate as KH2/K3ZB from Guam (OC-026) on his way back home. All QSLs via JH1NBN. [TNX The Daily DX]
VK9N - VK9NI is the new callsign to be used during the 22-29 July Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia's expedition to Norfolk Island (OC-005) [425DXN 941]. Nine operators (namely VK2FPGR, VK2GR, VK2IR, VK2RF, VK3FGRC, VK3FT, VK3FY, VK3TZ and VK5MAV) will be active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, including activity during the IOTA Contest. QSL via W3HNK. The new website for the operation is at http://www.vk9ni.com/
VR - The Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association will be active as VR2009EAG between 1 July and 31 December to promote the 5th edition of the East Asia Games, that will be hosted by Hong Kong on 5-13 December. Expect activity on 40-10 metres SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV, and on 6 metres. QSL via VR2XMT.
W - The following special event stations are expected to be active during the "Original 13 Colonies Special Event", to be held from 13.00 UTC on 1 July until 04.00 UTC on the 5th: K2A (New York), K2B (Virginia), K2C (Rhode Island), K2D (Connecticut), K2E (Delaware), K2G (Georgia), K2F (Maryland), K2H (Massachusetts), K2I (New Jersey), K2J (North Carolina), K2K (New Hampshire), K2L (South Carolina), K2M (Pennsylvania). A certificate will be available, but no QSL cards will be issued. Details can be found at http://home.comcast.net/~dzabawa/ThirteenColonies.htm [TNX K1XN]

IOTA TOUR ---> Gabriele, IK3GES will be touring Greece, Turkey and Bulgaria starting on 28 June. His plans include activities from the Greek islands of Elafonisos (EU-113), Salamina (EU-075), Skyros (EU-060) and Amoliani (EU-174), as well as from the Bulgarian island of Sveta Anastasiya (EU-181) along with Boyan, LZ1BJ. QSL via IK3GES, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Gerben, PG5M will be active (CW only) from the Fiji Islands (OC-016), Tuvalu (OC-015) and Tarawa, Western Kiribati (OC-017) as

follows:
06-07 September Fiji requested call 3D2G
08-14 September Tuvalu issued call T2G
15-16 September Fiji requested call 3D2G
17-23 September Western Kiribati requested call T30G
24-27 September Fiji requested call 3D2G
It will be "an ultra light solo DXpedition". QSL via PG5M, direct or bureau. Updates will be posted at http://www.dx.to/ [TNX PG5M]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CQWW DX CONTEST: A NEW CATEGORY ---> The new "Xtreme" category has been added to the CQ WW DX Contest "to encourage the development of new technologies in amateur radio communications in general and contesting in particular". The new category "has been established to allow amateurs to participate in the CQ WW Contest while experimenting creatively with Internet-linked stations and other new technologies that currently are not permitted in any of the contest categories". Complete details can be found at http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/XtremeCQ_WW_Experimenter_June.pdf

G3SWH ---> Over the past few days Phil, G3SWH has had some problems with the "QSL Request" and "Contact Me" functions of his web site (http://www.g3swh.org.uk), as a result of his ISP changing servers. These problems have all been resolved and the web site is now fully functional. [TNX G3SWH]

HF DX CHALLENGE ---> Every March, the Chiltern DX Club runs its "LF Challenge" to encourage operation on 40, 80 and 160 metres. Gary, ZL2IFB has "stolen CDXC's good idea and set up an HF DX Challenge to take place annually in September on the high HF bands. The CDXC Committee is not only aware of this, they support it". This activity period ("a friendly competition for DXers and not a contest as such") will be held from 00.00 UTC on 1 September through 23.59 UTC on the 30th, on 15, 12, 10, 6 and 4 metres only (where permitted) and on any mode permitted by your license. The scoring will be one single point per DXCC Entity contacted, regardless of band or mode. Further information can be found at http://www.g4ifb.com/html/hf_dx_challenge.html [TNX ZL2IFB]

+ SILENT KEYS + John B. Trampler (N0JT) passed away on 22 June at 85 years of age. He was a noted DXer and QSL manager for several stations (see 425DXN 645), and the co-founder of a popular "DX Net". Other recently reported Silent Keys include Angie Sitton (G0HGA), Steve Gibbs (GU3MBS), Joe Phillips (K8QOE), Jim Tabor (KU5S) and Victor A. Gorokhov (UA4RC). Victor was the QSL manager for R1FJT, whose activity from Franz Josef Land ended last year (all of the QSOs have been uploaded to LoTW).

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10114. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-27 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10114

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 27 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 178 Issued at 2200Z on 27 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels with a chance for active
levels on day 1 (28 June) due to a favorably positioned coronal
hole. Mostly quiet conditions are expected during days 2 - 3 (29 -
30 June).
III. Event Probabilities 28 Jun-30 Jun
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 Jun 067
Predicted 28 Jun-30 Jun 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 27 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 26 Jun 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 27 Jun 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 Jun-30 Jun 008/010-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 Jun-30 Jun
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/15/15
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10115. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-28 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10115

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The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 27/2100Z to 28/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to active levels. Active
levels occurred after 28/1700Z. ACE solar wind data indicated the
active levels were associated with periods of increased velocities
(peak 426 km/sec at 28/2042Z), sustained southward IMF Bz (minimum
-12 nT at 28/1917Z), and enhanced IMF Bt (peak 12 nT at 28/1918Z);
all of which were associated with a favorably positioned coronal
hole.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at predominantly quiet levels with a chance for
unsettled levels through the period (29 June - 01 July).
III. Event Probabilities 29 Jun-01 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 28 Jun 067
Predicted 29 Jun-01 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 28 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 27 Jun 004/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 28 Jun 008/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 29 Jun-01 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 29 Jun-01 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10116. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-28 23:24:43 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10116 Message: 10116

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 21st-June, through Sunday, 28th-June there were 203 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI (IOTA Op). Remember to look for Akira, JA1NLX, to once again be active as 3D2YA from Mana Island (OC-121) in Mamanuca Group, between June 29th and July 3rd. Activity will be on 80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (w/SASE). Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF. Hans, DK9KX (ex-3D2CR), reports that it has been 20 years since the first activation of Conway Reef (3D2CR), but he is happy to announce another DXpedition to that remote and lonely island will take place between October 3-11th. There will be 7 operators, and they will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Sorry, "NO" EME or digital modes on 6m. No callsign was announced, but more info is forthcoming on a Web site.

6W, SENEGAL. Dervin, PD9DX, will be active as 6W/PD9DX between now and July 5th. Activity will be on the HF bands using only SSB. QSL via PD9DX direct only (Europe SAE with 1 USD; Outside Europe SAE with 2 USDs).

8Q, MALDIVES. Pierre, HB9QQ, is now active as 8Q7QQ from Velighoo (North Atoll) between June 30th and July 11th. Carrying a small 50 MHz Linear along, he will be active on 50.183 MHz in JT65A mode (first period) around moonrise and moonset in search of Sporadic E and EME contacts. Other activities include the WARC bands. QSL via his home callsign.

C2, NAURU. It would seem that the C21TI DXpedition by Dani, EA4ATI/9M2TI, and other operators which was to take place between June 16-26th, was postponed. A report indicates that Dani, EA4ATI, had to postpone his C21TI DXpedition due to job reasons. "He is in Pakistan supporting in the humanitarian response to the internally displaced persons." Dani informed your OPDX editor that he hia already booked/rescheduled his flight for Nauru. The dates for the DXpedition are for August 16-24th, and they should be on the air from August 17-23rd. Look for possible updates on the Web page at: http://c21ti.madrono.net/index.html

EI, IRELAND. Olivier, ON4EI, will once again be active as EI/ON4EI from Ireland (EU-EU-115, WLOTA 2484) near Clonmel (IO62EK) between July 8-30th. His activity will include the IARU HF World Championship as Single-Operator/SSB/Low-Power/All Band (July 11-12th) entry and also the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 26-27th). Watch around 7130 kHz +/- QRM. He also plans to be active on 6 meters; watch around 50.200 MHz. His equipment for this activity will include a vertical 18m monopole inverted V and beverages for 160/80/40m, and a Spiderbeam for 20/15/10m. Transceiver is a Elecraft K3 w/100W. QSL via his home callsign.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Sam, WA2EPI, will be active as WA2EPI/FS between Sunday, June 28th and July 5th. No bands or modes of activity were provided, but he will be using a dipole and 100 watts and is expected to be on mostly during the evenings. QSL via K2LAB, by the Bureau or direct. Friends of Sam can request skeds by E-mailing him directly.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Andrea, IZ2LSC, will be active as IH9/IZ2LSC from Pantelleria Island between July 20-31st. His activity will be holiday style using a Yaesu FT-857 (w/100W) and wire antennas. He will be on the HF bands (except 160 and 80) using SSB and the Digital modes. Andrea will also take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL only via the LoTW or his home callsign by the Bureau. For more info, log search and updates, visit:

http://timpyblog.blogspot.com/2009/06/pantelleria-island.html

AS-037. Ken, JS3OMH, will be active as JS3OMH/6 from Kagoshima on Kamikoshiki Island (Koshikijima-Islands) between June 27-28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via the Bureau or see QRZ.com.

EU-094. Eight French operators will be activating Saint Nicolas Island in the Glenan Islands group, France, between September 11-18th. No callsign was provided but possibly homecall/p. Activity will be on the HF bands, and 2 meters and up (10 GHz) using CW, SSB, Digiatal modes and ATV. Look for 6 meter activity on SSB and possibly CW over 50.200 MHz. Operators mentioned are: Benoit/F8PDR, Jean-Jacques/F5NKX, Rene/F6CMC, Alain/F6ENO, Denis/F5RJM, Alain/F5HVI and Rolf/F9ZG. Other reference numbers are: French Metropolitan Islands Award DIFM: AT-010, Department Finistere/29, Province Britanny and Grid Square IN77XR. QSL via F5RJM, direct by CBA (w/SAE and 1 IRC or 1 USD for Europe; 1 IRC or 2 USDs elsewhere) or by the French Ref-Union Bureau.

EU-124. Members of the Strumblehead DX and Contest Group have now sealed the final permission to activate Ramsey Island, off the West Wales coast, from the "Royal Society for the Protection of Birds" who own the island. They will be active from 1800z, July 24th through 1400z, July 27th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). They will be active using the club callsign MC0SHL for the whole duration of the operation and using MW9W in the contest. Their activity will be on all bands from 80-10 meters using SSB. There is also be some 30m RTTY planned by G1VDP if the other guys allow him, with participation in the last 80M Club Championships DATA section. The group will be operational using generators as power and radios which will consist of 2 K3's and a Yaesu FT1000MPMkV and amplifiers. Antennas will consist of a Hexbeam, a windom and dipoles. Most of the activation is for the WAB award scheme as the square is semi rare and has not been activated for some time. Also, look for the team to be on from a farm for a few days before and after their EU-124 operation using the callsign GB0WFF for the World Flora and Fauna Award (see http://www.wff44.com for award details), and using the MC0SHL club callsign while erecting a tower for Rob, MW0RLJ. The island will not only count for the WAB award but will also count for the WFF award. A special QSL card printed for both club callsigns, as well as full details about the groups, are on the Web site at: http://www.mc0shl.com
QSL via the group's QSL Manager M0URX.

J79, DOMINICA (Update). Operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG are expected to be active as J79ZG between September 27th and October 15th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters on the usual DX frequencies, mainly on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK, as well as 6 meters. They will look especially for JA

stations. QSL via DL7AFS. Their Web page for this operation is:
http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs/Index_J7.html

JD/O, OGASAWARA. Operators Makoto/JI5RPT (JD1BLY) and Yoshihi/JO1LVZ
(JD1BNF) will be active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031) between
August 9-14th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using the satellites,
CW, SSB, Digi modes and 2m WSJT EME. QSL via their home callsigns. Log
searches will be available on the following Web sites:
JD1BLY: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/
JD1BNF: http://www.hattsan.com/

LX0, LUXEMBOURG. Look for LX0HQ to be active again from the Headquaters
of the Luxembourg Amateur Radio Society (RL) during the IARU Contest
(July 14-15th). They will have nine stations (w/20 operators) active
from 2 different locations in Luxembourg: Eschdorf (QTH of LX7I) and
Esebuer(QTH of LX0RL). Photos of the LX0HQ stations will be available
after the contest on their Web sites: http://www.rlx.lu
http://www.lx2a.com
A live webcam will be available during the contest from the LX7I QTH
(on www.lx2a.com). Please try to work LX0HQ on as many bands and modes
as possible during the 2009 IARU World HF Championship 2009. The log
will be uploaded to LoTW, and you can request a bureau QSL via lx0hqgrlx.lu
(no need to send a card via bureau!) QSL via LX2A (New QSL Manager!).

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators Jan/PA0JED, Herman/PA0TEN, Harry/PA1H, Arend/
PA2AWU, Peter/PA2PKZ, Dick/PA4VHF, Frans/PA5CA, PA5R/Jelmar, Hans/PE2HG
and Dervin/PD9DX will be active as LX/PA6Z from Wiltz between October
4-10th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including 30/17/12 meters,
possibly 6m, using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via PA9M, by the bureau or
direct. For more info, visit the Web site at: http://www.pa6z.nl/lx_2009

LZ01, BULGARIA (WFF Op). Operators Zlatan/LZ4ZD and Gosho/LZ1ZF are
expected to organize a WFF expedition to the Natural Park "Shumensko
Plateau" <http://www.shumenskoplato.com/indexen.html> during the late
evening of June 26th, through the afternoon of June 28th, using the
callsign LZ01WFF. Activity was planned for all the HF bands, 80-10 meters
including the 30/17/12m bands, probably on 6 and 2 meters depending on
conditions. Equipment: FT897D, ACOM1000, GP and wire antennas. Grid Loc:
KN33LG.

NIAR PRESS RELEASE (YL Enters the Limca Book Of Records-2009). The NIAR
reports (edited): "Ms. Sadineni Yamini, VU2YAM, aged 22 years member of
National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR), Hyderabad, became the 'first
Indian' to participate in an International Dxpedition conducted in an
uninhabited Cocos Island of Costa Rica, Central America, during February
9-13th, 2008.
'Limca Book of Records' is the Indian equivalent to the Guinness Book
of World Records with emphasis on unique achievements of Indians within
the country and abroad. It's a salute to all those Indians who want to
do something different and be remembered for their distinctive deeds.
Yamini, excelled in her achievements for using voice as well as digital

modes of amateur radio communication technology that enables sending e-mail without internet from a remote location. Sponsored by NIAR and Austrian Amateur Radio Society, she was also among the youngest and the only woman of the 12 member team consisting of hams from USA, Europe and Asia.
Several national and international organizations have recognized and acknowledged specific achievements made by Sadineni Yamini earlier. This exceptional achievement now finds place in National Record 2009 of the prestigious Limca Book of Records as per the communication received from the Editor, Limca Book of Records.
Yamini took special interest in the field of amateur radio joining as student member at NIAR and continued to pursue this activity with outmost dedication. She continues to motivate youth to become partners in technology development by exhibiting her skills and undertaking challenging expeditions under extremely difficult circumstances in the field of amateur radio, which will remain as an inspiration to younger generation.
Many national and international print and electronic media already covered her achievement.
Recently, in the first week of June, she participated and excelled her performance in the 'Aila' cyclone relief operations from a remote place in West Bengal state in India."

OY, FAROE ISLANDS (Update). Polish operators Mek/SP7VC and Janusz/SP6IXF will be active as OY/homecall between August 10-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters SSB and 2m meteor scatter (Random 144355.0 MHz) FSK441 during the Perseid meteor shower. Operations will be from the IP61 grid square. They plan to have amps for every band and will be using the following antenna system: HF - Spiderbeam, R-7 and INV-L for 160-80m + beverages
2m - A 2M5WL yagi
6m - 6 element yagi
Mek, SP7VC, is also going to operate as SP7VC/MM during their trip on a ferry from Denmark via the Shetlands to Faroe Islands. Mek will be using an IC-706 into a 4 element 20m yagi and a vertical for 6m. He plans to activate Marine Squares JO37, 27, 17, 18, 19, 09, and IP 80, 81, 71. QSL via their home callsigns, by the bureau or direct.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION/TOUR (Update/Change In Plans). Gerben, PG5M, informs OPDX that he will be activating three DXCC entities in the Pacific between September 6-27th. His schedule is as follows:
September 6-7th: Fiji (OC-016); prefix 3D2 (callsign not known yet)
September 8-14th: Tarawa Island (OC-017), W. Kiribati; Callsign is T30G
September 15-16th: Fiji; prefix 3D2 (callsign not known yet)
September 17-23rd: Tuvalu (OC-015); Callsign will be T2G
September 24-27th: Fiji; prefix 3D2 (callsign not known yet)
The callsign is not known for Fiji, but he has requested 3D2G. This will be an ultra light solo DXpedition and CW only. He will use an Elecraft K3, and a 2x20m doublet plus vertical antennas. QSL via PG5M, by the Bureau or direct. For direct requests, please enclose a minimum of 2 USDs for return postage. More details and updates will be available on: http://www.dx.to

PACIFIC TOUR. Don/G3BJ and Hilary/G4JKS will be on vacation in the South Pacific during September 2009. Their activity schedule is as follows:
September 4-16th - Austral Islands (from Rurutu [OC-050] and Tubuai [OC-152]); callsign will be FO/G3BJ
September 18-25th - Niue (OC-040); callsign ZK2BJ
Operations will be mostly CW on 80-10 meters (no 17/12m). They will use a K3 transceiver and a Butternut HF6.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
G3SWH QSL MANAGEMENT WEB SITE. Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH, reports: "Over the past few days, I have had some problems with the 'QSL request' and 'contact me' functions of my web site as a result of my ISP changing servers. However, I'm pleased to announce that these problems have all been resolved and the web site is now fully functional." Web page is: http://www.g3swh.org.uk

QSL HQ9R via K5WW. Erik, K5WW, reports: "It seems that quite a few people are still sending QSL for HQ9R to N6FF. Unfortunately, Dick, N6FF, became a Silent Key in August of 2007. I have been taking care of HQ9R's QSL since then. Please send your QSL requests to me, K5WW."

HAVE PATIENCE! More QSL cards were received this past week for the many UA4WHX operations. Vlad is still sending them out.

VK9LA QSL UPDATE. Bill Horner, VK4FW, QSL Manager for VK9LA, informs: "After much haggling with the Australian Customs Department and negotiating with a customs clearance broker, we have finally received the QSL cards from Czech Republic. Originally I envisaged having all direct QSLing done by the end of June, however this is not possible now. On July 2nd I will be away from home for 2 months on a family caravaning holiday. Prior to going I am doing as many as is possible and doing daily postings. As such, many of you will receive your cards within a few days, but there will be also many that will not. Please be patient and do not flood me with email questions. Every time I have to answer an email means less QSLing done before departure. If you are one of the lucky ones that receive your QSL card in the next few days and find missing QSOs, be advised it is because they were not in the log."

VY1JA QRT! Steve, N3SL, reports that he received an E-mail from "J", VY1JA (N8JA), on June 25th, and it states that J's work stint in VY0-land has concluded, and he is back home in the Yukon. The bad news, however, is that he is retiring from ham radio. His note says his station has been dismantled, and he is giving/selling everything to "younger Yukon hams." J's last QSO in the log was 10/19/08. It's sad to see him retire. He gave many a ham many a "clean sweep." Steve states, "I will continue to keep his logs and answer QSLs. Akio, JA3JM, handles QSLing for JA."

QSLS VIA LOTW: 6W/DL7CM, C31CT, E51SC, EA1AKS, H44MY, HA9PP, K5D, LX7I, OA4SS, OH2LU, UA4RZ, V26F, VP2V/SP7VC, YO8FZ and ZK2V

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R3, EUROPEAN RUSSIAN. In preparation for the WRTC-2010, look for the following stations (4 teams) to be active during IARU HF World Championship (July 11-12th) using the special callsign R31WRTC, R32WRTC, R38WRTC and R39WRTC. Activity will be from the WRTC-2010 locations. QSL via the Bureau.

SILENT KEYS.....
K8QOE - Ohio amateurs lost a great friend and dedicated ARRL Ohio Section Manager on Saturday, June 20th. Joe Phillips, K8QOE, suddenly became "SK" at the age of 68. He was a man of many hats (Please read ARRL Special Bulletin ARLX008 and ARRL Letter Vol. No. 25). He was also a DXer and a big "Cleveland Indians" fan (two topics that your editor will miss talking with him about). Ohio amateurs will surely miss Joe.

N0JT - John Trampler, N0JT, became a SK at age 85 on Monday, June 22nd. John was well known in the DX community and was a co-founder of the "247 DX Group" along with Alan/WA4JTK (SK). He also was a DXCC Honor Roll member and a ham for over 60 years.

SPECIAL AWARD AVAILABLE (GB6GEO). Following the very successful event of the Geoparks weekend, the Global network would like to offer a diploma endorsed by HRH The Duke of Edinburgh (the Queen of England's husband) to anybody working either GB6GEO the HQ station as an instant qualifier for the award, or two other Geoparks stations. Radio amateurs who are first to claim the award in their particular country will also get one point towards the two points required for the basic Geoparks diploma. The cost of the award in the UK is 2.20 GBP, in Europe 3 Euros, and 5 USDs anywhere else in the world. Certificate manager for this award is Martin G3VOF; QSL info QRZ.com. For any questions, PLEASE contact Martin at: mgfsystems@...

SPECIAL EVENT (6m Op). Andy, N8OFS, will once again be active as N8O "portable caboose" from Jefferson, Ohio, between July 18-19th, during 1800-2100z. Activity is to celebrate the 25th anniversary for the Ashtabula Carson & Jefferson Railway (AC&J). If you missed him the first time here, this will be your last time to work him. Look for him to be on 50.300 and 52.525 MHz FM, 50.400 MHz AM and 50.200 MHz USB. QSL via N8OFS: Andy Sargent, PO Box 517, Jefferson, OH 44047. For more details about the railroad, visit the Web page at: http://www.acjrscenic.net/history.htm

SV, GREECE (Greek IOTA Tour). Gab, IK3GES, will be starting a Greek island tour beginning on June 28th. He plans to visit the following islands, but details of the dates were not provided. The IOTA Islands are:
EU-060 - Skyros Island (GIOTA NAS-098, MIA MG-115, also count for WLOTA LH-2002)

EU-075 - Salamina Island (GIOTA SAS-040, MIA MG-098, also count for WLOTA LH-4159)
EU-113 - Elafonisos Island (GIOTA INS-007, MIA MG-033, also count for WLOTA LH-0011)
EU-174 - Amoliani Island (GIOTA NAS-046, MIA MG-009)
After activating the above, Gab will then travel to Turkey but is not sure if he will activate any islands there. After Turkey, Gab will team up with Boyan, LZ1BJ, and activate Sveta Anastasiya Island (EU-181, will also count for WLOTA LH-0035). He is expected to start a second island tour from Croatia in September. Details will be forthcoming. QSL via IK3GES, direct or by the Bureau or E-mail Bureau requests.

T32, EASTERN KIRIBATI. Tovia, T32TV, reportedly is a new ham on Christmas Island (OC-024). PLEASE be patient with him. Activity has been on 20 meters SSB after 0600z. QSL route has not been reported.

V6, MICRONESIA (IOTA Op). Yuki, JH1NBN, will be active from three different state island groups of Micronesia. Look for him to activate the following between now and July 21st:
Pohnpei Island (OC-010) - Currently active as V6P through July 4th and will return between July 21-25th.
Chuuk Island (OC-011) - Callsign V6C; between July 4-12th.
Kosrae Island (OC-059) - Callsign V6T; between July 13-21st.
QSL via his home callsign. ADDED NOTE: There has been a report that Yuki may also operate from Guam (OC-026) as KH2/K3ZB on his return back home.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLANDS (Update/Change). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) will be active as VK9NI (not VK9AAA as first announced) between July 22-29th. The HARAOA Group plans to have 4-5 stations on the air and plans to be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) during their stay. Equipment to be used are ICOM radios w/Amps using Spiderbeams, verticals, beams and dipoles. Current operators mentioned are: Tommy/VK2IR (Team Leader), Chris/VK3FY (Co-Leader), Peter/VK3FGRC (Team Member/Webmaster), Keith/VK3FT (Team Member), Peter/VK2FPGR (Team Member), Tony/VK3TZ (Team Member), Raffy/VK2RF (Team Member), Andrey/VK5MAV (Team Member) and Alan/VK2GR (Team Member). QSL via W3HNK. More details and updates are available at: http://www.vk9ni.com
Also on Twitter at: http://twitter.com/VK9NI

VP2, MONTSERRAT (NA-103). Bill, W5SJ, will be active as VP2MSJ from VP2MDD's QTH between July 14-21st. His activity will include the CQWW VHF Contest (hoping/praying for some E-skip), but he will be active on other bands that are open, particularly 30 and 60 meters. QSL via W5JAY.

ZK2V OPERATION WRAP-UP. Chris, ZL1CT, reports that his recent ZK2V DXpedition made 15817 QSOs (including 1279 QSOs on RTTY) despite 'flat' band conditions. Many stations enjoyed chasing Chris around the bands and modes to improve their position on the 'ZK2V leaderboard' - Jeff, N8CC, was the overall leader with 16 band-slots out of a possible 20.

Chris has organized a different QTH for his next visit to Niue - if you missed ZK2V, there are 2 DXpeditions to Niue in September and October 2009. Please QSL via N3SL (via the Bureau to N3SL is also OK) - all ZK2V QSOs have been uploaded to LoTW resulting in more than 2000 QSO matches.

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10117. Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-28 23:49:30 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10116 Message: 10117

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@...>
> 3D2/C, CONWAY REEF. Hans, DK9KX (ex-3D2CR), reports that it has been 20
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> a Web site.
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 05:05:54 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10078 Message: 10118

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Date: 2009-06-29 05:09:25 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10078 Message: 10119

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From: John Peters
Topic: 10078 Message: 10120

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QSL managers predominantly do a fantastic job. I appreciate every card I get and I am grateful that they do use the bureau!

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ted Melinosky
Sent: Friday, 26 June 2009 12:52 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Hi Lance:

I handle the cards of the active DX contesters EY8MM and 4L8A. Over 36,000 so far.
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http://www.dxawards.com/

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Klim, N3KHK
Sent: Wednesday, 24 June 2009 11:31 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Checkout http://www.425dxn.org/425/425-n599.html

From the site

QSL VIA KZ8Y ---> Dave, KZ8Y is the QSL manager for 4S7AR, 4S7AVR, 4S7NMR,N8DCJ/8P6, 8Q7AZ & TG9NX and apparently does not accept bureau cards. The QSLbureau is going to return the cards back to the original bureaux markedeither "unclaimed" or "QSL Direct Only". [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

I hope this helps,

73 ES CUL

John Klim

N3KHK

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 11:09 PM
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Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 10:30 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Hi,

From QRZ.COM got this

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DL7IO

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GERMANY

--- On Mon, 6/22/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

> From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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10121. Please explain?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 05:50:50 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10121 Message: 10121

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Fascinating stuff!

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73, Lance - VK6DU

10122. Re: Please explain?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 10:13:00 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10121 Message: 10122

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Art - N4PJ

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10123. Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 11:45:47 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10116 Message: 10123

The only one that will count is "dechi metros" :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, June 28, 2009 7:49 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@...>
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Just plugged 3D2CR in DXK and found I worked Harry, DL8CM on three bands in
April of 1989, QSL to DK9KX.

73 de Rene

10124. Re: Please explain?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 15:06:43 UTC
From: nu7t
Topic: 10121 Message: 10124

Lance,

Art is right on.
The measurement of flux (flux 10.7 cm) you refer to is not a measurement of the flux from the Sun which directly affects ionospheric HF communication. However, as Art points out, there is a close relationship. Other flux levels recorded each day appear at:
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/alerts/solar_indices.html

Sunspots do not have a direct affect on ionospheric HF communication. But, emmissions associated with them do. The strength of the associated emmissions from areas of a group, also, vary from sunspot to sunspot. Sunspots are easy to observe and provide a long history. As with the Solar Flux, there is a close relationship between ionospheric HF communication conditions and the sunspot count.

Steve, NU7T

10125. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 16:21:44 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10078 Message: 10125

Another way to also look at it would be, It doesn't matter who initiates the QSL request. So the QSL manager could have sent a return card with a "PSE QSL" request for a corrected card.

Interesting to note that a "PSE QSL" request is not truly a confirmation, it is a request for a confirmation. I guess it could be looked at as the "PSE QSL" request is a signed statement that the originator has made the QSO.

The wrong band card would surely have been accepted as a band credit towards the DXCC Challenge award. Even though I'm not a LOTW use it does look like a system that does generate real confirmations.

73,
Bob
K2TK

John Peters wrote:
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> Indeed the QSL Mgr SHOULD ONLY send you the correct band mode card! If
> your Date/Time were correct enough so he could find you in the log,
> the LOG GOVERNS the DX QSL.
> 73 John K1ER
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* WB6PSY/N6AXK <mailto:tagteam@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Sunday, June 28, 2009 7:09 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> What would the problem be if the manager did send you the correct
> band card?
> Inquiring minds want to know
> 73 de Rene ex VK2DSW
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Lance Martin <mailto:lance.martin@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Sunday, June 28, 2009 10:05 PM
> *Subject:* RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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10126. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Please explain?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 16:27:07 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 10121 Message: 10126

And I have seen a number of Asian stations (Hong Kong, Thailand, China, Taiwan, etc.) on 20 M PSK-31 well past their Sunset and well after my Sunrise in recent weeks during a 67-68 SFI.

73 & DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Art Burke
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 5:13 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Please explain?

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10127. Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 20:01:58 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10116 Message: 10127

DD - yur absolutely correct - check my League totals!
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 4:45 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

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10128. Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 20:16:50 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10116 Message: 10128

I'm envious!!

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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
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> modes on 6m. No callsign was announced, but more info is forthcoming on
> a Web site.
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April of 1989, QSL to DK9KX.

73 de Rene

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.12.93/2206 - Release Date: 06/27/09 17:55:00

10129. Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 20:30:03 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10116 Message: 10129

Don't be - I cant do code (CW) ;-(
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 1:16 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

I'm envious!!

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 4:01 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

DD - yur absolutely correct - check my League totals!
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 4:45 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

The only one that will count is "dechi metros" :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, June 28, 2009 7:49 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@...>
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10130. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10130

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 29 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 180 Issued at 2200Z on 29 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 28/2100Z
to 29/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 28/2100Z to 29/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to active levels.
Unsettled to active levels occurred until 29/0600Z, followed by
mostly quiet conditions. ACE solar wind observations indicated Earth
remained under the influence of a coronal hole high-speed stream.
Solar wind velocities gradually increased until around 29/1500Z
(peak 575 km/sec at 29/1501Z), then remained elevated for the rest
of the period. A period of sustained southward IMF Bz occurred until
around 29/0200Z (minimum -9 nT at 29/2102Z).
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on day 1 (30 June).
Field activity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels during
days 2 - 3 (01 - 02 July) as the high-speed stream subsides.
III. Event Probabilities 30 Jun-02 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 29 Jun 069
Predicted 30 Jun-02 Jul 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 29 Jun 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 28 Jun 008/011
Estimated Afr/Ap 29 Jun 010/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 30 Jun-02 Jul 007/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 30 Jun-02 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10131. Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 23:10:37 UTC
From: DMH96JR@aol.com
Topic: 10116 Message: 10131

I worked 3D2CI/3D2CY Conway Reef in October 2001.

This was a 10 man team(American, Yugoslavian, Russian and South African representation). They had a nice website with weblogs and a nice QSL.

Dave(W2GI)

In a message dated 6/28/2009 7:50:30 PM Atlantic Standard Time, tagteam@... writes:

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@...>
> 3D2/C, CONWAY REEF. Hans, DK9KX (ex-3D2CR), reports that it has been 20
> years since the first activation of Conway Reef (3D2CR), but he is happy
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> a Web site.
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73 de Rene

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10132. RE: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 23:29:06 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10116 Message: 10132

The release says it has been 20 years since the *first* activation, not that there has been no activity from Conway Reef in 20 years. What's the problem?

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of DMH96JR@...
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 8:11 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #914

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10133. Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-29 23:51:05 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 10078 Message: 10133

OK, great news Lance.

The Bureau volunteers are my real heroes. My regional contest club (Yankee Clipper CC) does this duty for the W1 call area. It is the most cost efficient method to receive cards, however, the time delays can be irksome.

If I were the manager for TZ6CW, I would have sent you a card for the proper contact. Good grief, you shouldn't have to wait YEARS to correct a simple error. Oh well, something to itch about in the current BAD conditions.

Good dxing.

Ted K1BV
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Lance Martin wrote:
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> Hi Ted,
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> Thanks for your info and also thank you very much for the EY8MM card
> that I got via the bureau last week!!
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> It was a new one for me on RTTY! #120.
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> I use our WIA QSL bureau a lot, even though the card turnaround is
> slow, it does work. The recent batch of cards that came in were up to
> 4 years old. ....interestingly I had a card in that batch which was
> one of my cards returned to me from TZ6CW Nov 2005, I had put the
> wrong band on the card, there was a note attached from the manager
> saying 'this QSO was on X band', he is correct, my error. So I correct
> my error and send another card, I hope I will get a QSL back by 2013,
> fingers crossed. Patience is a virtue.
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> QSL managers predominantly do a fantastic job. I appreciate every card
> I get and I am grateful that they do use the bureau!
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> 73, Lance -- VK6DU
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> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On
> Behalf Of *Ted Melinosky
> *Sent:* Friday, 26 June 2009 12:52 AM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Hi Lance:
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> I handle the cards of the active DX contesters EY8MM and 4L8A. Over
> 36,000 so far.
> Every 2-3 months, I get a package from the W1 QSL Bureau and 80% of
> the cards are for these two stations, 20% for me.
> These contesters want me to send them ALL cards received, so about 2-3
> times a year, I put together 2 to 4 pound packages of Bureau and
> regular cards for them.
> We don't have a surface mail option for overseas here in the USA, so
> they go by "First Class International Mail" (Air Mail). That costs me
> about $25-35 per package.
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> EY8MM provides me with nice picture cards. I use my Canon printer to
> produce a simple card for 4L8A.
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> Another one of the costs is sending all the Bureau cards out via the
> ARRL outgoing system. $10 per pound. Keeps going up too.
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> It was my choice to reply to ALL incoming cards, Bureau or not. I can
> do this, because of the generosity of so many stations, who include an
> extra buck or two.

> Only rarely does a direct card without SASE. In the end, it costs me
> just a few extra dollars out of pocket as all the costs are not
> recovered. But it's my choice. However, I can understand why some
> managers will NOT handle Bureau cards. _I hope they remain in the
> minority_, but I can understand their feelings.
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> Best wishes,
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> Ted Melinosky K1BV
> http://www.dxawards.com/
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> Lance Martin wrote:
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> A QSL manager that does not accept cards via the bureau? How can
> this be?
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> 73, Lance -- VK6DU
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> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf Of *John Klim, N3KHK
> *Sent:* Wednesday, 24 June 2009 11:31 AM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Subject:* RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Checkout http://www.425dxn.org/425/425-n599.html
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> From the site
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> QSL VIA KZ8Y ---> Dave, KZ8Y is the QSL manager for 4S7AR, 4S7AVR, 4S7NMR,
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> N8DCJ/8P6, 8Q7AZ & TG9NX and apparently does not accept bureau cards. The QSL
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> bureau is going to return the cards back to the original bureaux marked
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> either "unclaimed" or "QSL Direct Only". [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
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> I hope this helps,
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> 73 ES CUL
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> John Klim
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> N3KHK
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> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf Of *Dale Cole K8TS
> *Sent:* Tuesday, June 23, 2009 11:09 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Al:
> Found my old Buckmaster CD. No listing for 8Q7AZ. For 8Q7IO it
> lists DL7VRO who is now sk. QRZ says route is DL 7UBA. Might try
> to get info from him, small island, maybe he know something
> GL.
> Dale K8TS
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Dale Cole K8TS" <k9ttt@...> <mailto:k9ttt@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 11:31:18 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Alan;
> I have an old ham call cd (age ?) If I can find it I will check
> it out. Will be cleaning (or trying to) the shack--shouul run
> across it.

> Dale K8TS
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
> <mailto:aleith@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 9:32:55 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Thanks, John. I wonder how I missed that. Oh well! I'll give it
> a try.
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> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf Of *John P.
> *Sent:* Monday, June 22, 2009 10:30 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
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> Hi,
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> From QRZ.COM got this
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> --- On Mon, 6/22/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> <mailto:aleith@...> wrote:
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> > From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> <mailto:aleith@...>
> > Subject: [DX-IS] QSL help needed
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> > Date: Monday, June 22, 2009, 9:02 PM
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> > I may have asked this before but if I did, I
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> > looking for.
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> > I worked 8Q7AZ back in '82 on 80M and have never worked
> > another 8Q7 on that

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> > band. I never got a QSL from Romesh and see that KZ8Y was
> > listed as his
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> > manager in 2001. Does anyone have an e-mail address for
> > KZ8Y or know of
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> > another QSL route?
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> > Also, in 1998 I worked 8Q7IO on 30M and have never been
> > able to get a card
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> > for that one either. Can anyone point me in a direction
> > for this one?
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> > Thanks, in advance for any help.
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10134. DX-PEDITION IN AUGUST

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-30 13:14:29 UTC
From: ARMIC EA3RKR ONCE
Topic: 10134 Message: 10134

Dear Friends, it´s great pleasure for us anounce you new DX-Pedition to NAURU, C21TI Pacific Adventure 2009.

Finally DATES CONFIRMED !!! WILL BE ON 17th to 23th August 2009

According to the Team Leader of the group EA4ATI Dani, are now permanently if, after several postponements due to force majeure, confirmed the dates for the DX.pedition C21TI.

Dani plans to travel back to Spain, to finalize preparations and different shipments of equipment for the DX-pedition.

With the sponsorship and assistance from:

Danish DX Group, Radio Club Valdemoro, European DX Foundation, German DX Foundation, ACR El Madroño, Southeastern DX Club, Swiss DX Foundation, Southwest Ohio DX Association, Section Local URE Valdemoro, Union Radio EA7URS of Seville, and ARMIC EA3RKR also of contributions to date: EA5AVW, EA3KN, EC3AJW, IK8CNT, ON4IQ, SM7FJE, EA3RKR and EA4YK.

The dates for now and if everything is ready: 17 to August 23 inclusive.

The activity will be in the air as C21TI and be present in all HF bands from 10 to 160 meters + 6 Mts. Where there was a power station and yagui of 7 elements.

According to the Team Leader of the group EA4ATI Dani, are now permanently if, after several postponements due to force majeure, confirmed the dates for the DX.pedition C21TI.

Thank all the waiting and apologize for the delay completely alien to the will of the organization of the expedition, we all listen to the following August.

Those who want to collaborate, please make your contribution inter alia by Paypal.

All the information of the activity plan of bands and QSL information is available at QRZ.COM since:

http://www.qrz.com/callsign?callsign=C21TI

The activity has prevsto use these frequencies.

BAND SSB CW
160 m 1.825.5 1825.5
80 m 3.799 3.505
40 m 7.065 7.005
30 m ------ 10.110
20 m 14.195 14.025
17 m 18.145 18.075
15 m 21.295 21.025
12 m 24.945 24.895
10 m 28.495 28.025

6 m 50.115 50.115

Collaborate in the dissemination of the event among Others.

Complet new on:

http://www.gratisweb.com/ea3rkr/esp/noticias/C21TI_NAURU.html

We call for maximum dissemination of information, thanks.

Best regards from ARMI EA3RKR Team
ARMIC ONCE - EA3RKR
EDIFICIO ONCE CATALUÑA
C/ SEPULVEDA, 1
08015 BARCELONA

10135. Re: Please explain?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-30 17:46:39 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10121 Message: 10135

Mark Twain once wrote that there are three kinds of lies:
1 - Lies
2 - Damned Lies
3 - Statistics

I got hung on the "let's prove I'm an expert" and your description was much more concise than mine! Of course all economists (and many statisticians) are two-handed - "On the one hand..."

Art - (no longer working in statistics and economics!,
and happily retired) N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "nu7t" <nu7t@...> wrote:
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> Lance,
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> Art is right on.
> The measurement of flux (flux 10.7 cm) you refer to is not a measurement of the flux from the Sun which directly affects ionospheric HF communication. However, as Art points out, there is a close relationship. Other flux levels recorded each day appear at:
> http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/alerts/solar_indices.html
>
> Sunspots do not have a direct affect on ionospheric HF communication. But, emmissions associated with them do. The strength of the associated emmissions from areas of a group, also, vary from sunspot to sunspot. Sunspots are easy to observe and provide a long history. As with the Solar Flux, there is a close relationship between ionospheric HF communication conditions and the sunspot count.
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> Steve, NU7T
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10136. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #914.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-30 19:45:15 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10136 Message: 10136

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.914.1
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.914.1
June 30, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, Armic/EA3RKR, Ron/K5XK, and Maurice/F5NQL for the following DX information.

*** EDITOR'S NOTE. Three major developments/announcements have been announced which we felt should be sent out before the usual bulletin that comes out on Sunday.

3B7, ST. BRANDON. QSL Manager Ron, K5XK, reports to OPDX that Rachid, 3B8FQ, has received approval and will activate St. Brandon Island as 3B7FQ again in August. Rachid believes this may be the last trip to St. Brandon for the next five years. As in his previous travels to 3B6FQ and 3B7FQ, this will be a working trip with time shared for maintenance on the island's meteorological equipment. Travel to 3B7 will be by boat, departing Mauritius on August 10th, and returning from St. Brandon on August 30th. Operation will be CW/SSB on 40-10 meters. Another trip to Agalega Island as 3B6FQ is possible in November of this year. QSL 3B7FQ and Rachid's other callsigns via K5XK, per info on QRZ.com.

C2, NAURU (Update). Armic, EA3RKR, provides an update for the upcoming C21TI DXpedition to Nauru. As mentioned in Sunday's bulletin the operation will take place between August 17-23rd. In the new press release the Team Leader of the group Dani/EA4ATI, states dates are now permanent after several postponements. Dani plans to travel back to Spain to finalize preparations and different shipments of equipment for the DXpedition. All was possible thanks to the sponsorship and assistance from: Danish DX Group, Radio Club Valdemoro, European DX Foundation, German DX Foundation, ACR El Madrono, Southeastern DX Club, Swiss DX Foundation, Southwest Ohio DX Association, Section Local URE Valdemoro, Union Radio EA7URS of Seville, and Armic/EA3RKR. There was also individual contributions by (as of to date): EA5AVW, EA3KN, EC3AJW, IK8CNT, ON4IQ, SM7FJE, EA3RKR and EA4YK. Look for activity by C21TI to be on all HF bands from 160-10 meters + 6 meters. Station will have power and a 7 element yagi. The suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1825.2, 3505, 7005, 10110, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025

SSB - 1825.2, 3799, 7065, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
6m - 50.115 MHz

Armic, EA3RKR, states in the press relase that they apologize for the delay and thank all for waiting. They hope to work you in August. The team is still looking for donations/funds and your contribution can made via Paypal. QSL via EA4ATI. All the details and QSL information is available at QRZ.com at: http://www.qrz.com/callsign?callsign=C21TI
Also: http://www.gratisweb.com/ea3rkr/esp/noticias/C21TI_NAURU.html

FR/G, GLORIOSOS. In a press release, the Gloriosos 2009 DXpedition has once again been postponed "because of flight problems". They "think", however, that the DXpedition could begin at the end of August. The release states, "The runway on Grande Glorieuse suffers heavy problems of stability which have to be solved very quickly, in next July, to allow again the jumbo planes landing with full security. This postponing will allow us to include new operators, David, F8CRS, and Bernard, F5LPY."
The press release states that there will be seven operators that will now go to FT5G. They will have three stations which will be active 24 hours a day and the 3rd dedicated to monitor the 6 meter. This last station will be used back on HF if propagation opens the lower bands. The length of the stay is always scheduled for three weeks if no other change will happen. They also added, "We must once again remind all of you that the landing on these islands is very difficult and the Go signal is given only when all the security measures are in place, known and applied. We have to thank many for their help: the French Australes and Antarctic Territories Administration, The South Indian Ocean Zone Forces Headquarter, and the Commandment of the French Foreign Legion detachment in Mayotte. More news is to be published in due time... Gloriosos 2009 crew"
There was one last official comment by Didier, F5OGL, team leader (edited): "A part we can say, even if the first event which made the July 2009 Gloriosos postponed hadn't happen; today's aircrash of the Yemenia A310 at sea after 2 hours of flight is a new event which might have made the DXpedition postponed in any case. The plane which would have been used to go from La Reunion to Glorieuses is now on the zone and will participate in the search of survivors for an unknown length of time... These events and to reinforce the runway have been considered by the French Authorities. For the most security, please wait again with us for a few weeks."

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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10137. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-30 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10137

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jun 30 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 181 Issued at 2200Z on 30 Jun 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 29/2100Z
to 30/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 29/2100Z to 30/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet levels. ACE solar wind
observations indicated velocities gradually decreased from 551
km/sec to 449 km/sec during the period. IMF Bz varied from +4 to -4
nT during the period.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during days 1 - 2 (01 -
02 July). Field activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels on
day 3 (03 July).
III. Event Probabilities 01 Jul-03 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 30 Jun 068
Predicted 01 Jul-03 Jul 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 30 Jun 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 29 Jun 007/010
Estimated Afr/Ap 30 Jun 007/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 01 Jul-03 Jul 007/008-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 01 Jul-03 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/01
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10138. [425ENG] The toplist of July

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 05:08:26 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10138 Message: 10138

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Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPLIST
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3 OH3SR 334 332 338 337 338 334 337 333 283 338 337 335 3976 21/05/2009
4 W4DR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 335 310 338 337 308 3972 19/06/2008
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7 SM0AJU 331 329 336 335 338 331 336 324 278 338 337 336 3949 24/02/2008
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12 I4EAT 330 329 338 335 337 331 337 332 291 338 337 293 3928 29/04/2009
13 DJ2BW 327 325 337 336 338 331 337 310 274 338 337 336 3926 01/05/2008
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22 W3UR 332 320 336 336 338 333 333 327 287 338 337 253 3870 01/01/2009
23 UA4HBW 328 314 336 329 338 322 329 302 270 338 337 325 3868 28/04/2009
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10139. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Please explain?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 05:21:09 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10121 Message: 10139

Thanks for that Art,

I guess we spend a lot of time looking at the SSN and Solar Flux figures waiting for them to go up. When someone implies that those figures don't directly affect propagation then it makes one wonder why one is relying on the figures...

Your explanation makes sense to me, very well put.

I reckon there is still a lot of research to be done in this area as there still seems to be some mystery about how it all happens.

FB on the EY8. We've been getting a bit of Central and West Africa over here on 20m around 0600 - 0700z LP in the afternoon on the weekends.

Even worked D2QMN the other day for a new one on RTTY 20m (though that was SP, around 0600z).

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art Burke
Sent: Monday, 29 June 2009 6:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Please explain?

His explanation is essentially layman terms for explaining the vagaries of statistics.

When sunspot activity increases, the ionization of the proper area of the ionosphere becomes affected and communication on the higher frequency bands is enhanced. Statistically speaking, one set of data can be measured against another set of data and a "coorelation" established. If the coorelation between the two events is exactly 1, then the relationship is "as good as it can get." However, it doesn't mean that one causes the other! It only means there's a huge relationship between the two. Certainly there is empirical evidence to support the causality between the two. However, he points out in a somewhat roundabout manner, it isn't the *only* thing that creates good propagation. He also more or less points out that we cannot prove that one causes the other (or is a result of the other).

Counting sunspots and measuring solar flux are indeed independent events, but it's hard to deny that when sunspot counts go up (at least in terms of smoothed sunspot numbers as opposed to a day when there are suddenly a lot of spots), there is typically a much better measure of solar flux as well - and communication becomes enhanced as a result.

When I look at any one of a given number of propagation programs, I can see that the probability of an opening between central Florida and Tajikistan on 20M at 0200Z is damned slim, but the propagation progam cannot tell me it is impossible - because about a week or so ago there was EY8AD working east coast U.S. stations - for about 30 to 45 minutes - a couple of hours after local sunset and *many* hours after sunset at his (EY8AD) location.

Art - N4PJ

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> I have just read this from K7RA, would anyone like to explain what he
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> Fascinating stuff!
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> propagation expectations, there is only an indirect connection
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10140. Re: Please explain?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 11:21:48 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10121 Message: 10140

This morning, a note on a local reflector highlights the "problem." Some one has taken note on a series of sunspots now appearing on the "edge" of the sun, making its way across the visible portion. Operators are "implored" to take advantage of the increased activity. What increased activity? How long will it take (if it does in a measureable time!) to see the solar flux spike to 80 or 90 and give us condx far superior to what we've seen with the SFI hanging around 70 for so long?

In 1859 there was a huge burst of energy from the sun that destroyed portions of the existing infrastructure (mostly telegraph wires at the time - electricity as we know it was in its infancy, if at all) and started fires in numerous parts of the world. It has been estimated that such an event (the Carrington event was named for the astronomer who witnessed it) today could conceivably destroy the infrastructure so heavily that electricity would virtually disappear in many areas.

However, it was also pointed out that such "events" only occur something like once every 400 years or so. Not to mention that the event can occur in a direction having absolutely no impact on earth.

As it pertains to what the sun can do and will do, we're still just babes in the woods as far as trying to learn it and forecast it.

Sometimes it seems almost diabolical that there are doomsayers out there predicting the end of the world when great amounts of sunspots come along and we're begging our a$$e$ off for it!

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10141. LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 15:12:27 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 2352 Message: 10141

Good Morning All:

Has LoTW just slowed to a creeping crawl? last evening I uploaded contacts, and they are yet to show up in my upload total.

73,
Mike, W5UC
God is great, beer is good, and people are crazy
http://www.the912project.com
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

10142. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 15:25:56 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 2352 Message: 10142

At 12:12 PM 7/1/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
>Good Morning All:
>
>Has LoTW just slowed to a creeping crawl? last evening I uploaded
>contacts, and they are yet to show up in my upload total.
>
>73,
>Mike, W5UC

Hi Mike,

I uploaded 52 QSOs last night and they were completed 2009-07-01
at 00:36:02, at least according to the "Your Activity" logs. I
didn't check until I saw your email, so the time I am seeing might be
the upload time, and not the actual time they were processed.

Either way, it's still working.

73, Paul VE1DX

10143. Re: [DX-IS] World Radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-06-30 12:16:18 UTC
From: Todd
Topic: 10096 Message: 10143

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK"

....but, in yesterdays mail came a publication free sample called "Military"
much in the same format as World Radio and to my surprize, the publisher is
Armond Noble. So much for retirement.....

I used to get that as a young Marine many moons ago!
And if I recall correctly, he did a travel one too that was
pretty much in the same format as WR and the Military mag.

73, Todd KH2TJ

10144. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 16:29:28 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 2352 Message: 10144

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> the upload time, and not the actual time they were processed.
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> Either way, it's still working.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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Good Morning Paul & all:

Thanks for the reply. I finally got it straightened out. I had received a new certificate which was/is on this computer, but had not moved it to the shack machine. The shack machine uploaded the file with the old certificate, and the data went into a black hole. The dates on both certificates were still valid, but as as soon as the new one was issued, the old one was deleted from the database at League HQ. I moved the new certificate to the shack machine, and POOF, my Q's showed up in LOTW.

73,
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

10145. Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 18:56:23 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10145 Message: 10145

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> Well here we go. The following group will be operating from Lesotho
> starting on July 29th through the 13th of Aug. We will be operating with
> the equipment
> supplied by African DX Safari in Johannesburg. The following hams will be
> on the air. Pista(Dr. Gasper Istvan HA5AO) 7P8AO;
> Ben Pyfer(DJ0YI) 7P8YI; Laurent Thomin(W0MM) 7P8MM; John
> Plenderleith(9M6XRO) 7P8OK; Frosty(Charles Frost K5LBU) 7P8CF.
>
> We will have 2 stations on all the time and might have a 3rd for PSK &
> RITTY. Will work all bands but will put in lots of effort on 160/80 meters
> as we have a 70 foot vertical which works great on those bands. For 40
> will have a 4sq. dipole setup on one of the towers. The 2 trailers with
> towers that will be up and have Tennadayne T8 LogP antennas at about 55
> feet. For 30 meters a sloper off one tower. I will try to get Daniel ZS6JR
> to also put up our M2 6 meter beam so can give that band a try.
>
> Qsl to each persons home call please except for 9M6XRO John has his own
> QSL manager in the UK.
>
> The guys from 4M5DX will not be able to join up with us due to things
> beyond their control. We do wish that they could but things did not work
> out for them.
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> Charles F. Frost
> Frosty
> frosty1@...
> http://www.africandxsafari.com

10146. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-01 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10146

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 01 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 182 Issued at 2200Z on 01 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. A small plage region was noticed near S27E45 but
has not yet been able to produce persistent spots. The remainder of
the solar disk was quiet and void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet with a chance for unsettled periods for
the first day (2 July). Activity levels are expected to be quiet for
the second and third days (3-4 July).
III. Event Probabilities 02 Jul-04 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 Jul 068
Predicted 02 Jul-04 Jul 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 01 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Jun 005/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 Jul 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 Jul-04 Jul 005/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 Jul-04 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10147. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-02 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10147

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 02 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 183 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk was void of spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (03 - 05 July).
III. Event Probabilities 03 Jul-05 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Jul 067
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Observed Afr/Ap 01 Jul 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Jul 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Jul-05 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Jul-05 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10148. ARLP027 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-02 23:49:38 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5098 Message: 10148

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP027
ARLP027 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP27
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 27 ARLP027
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA July 2, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP027
ARLP027 Propagation de K7RA

It was a perfect Field Day weekend from where I stood. The weather was warm, skies clear, the space weather was calm, and there was enough propagation to make a domestic contest interesting. I had no plans, so on Saturday I went to the web site http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/fd/locator.php and used the Field Day Station Locator. The one I landed at (W7AUX) listed a contact number, a cell phone at the site. I inquired if they needed a CW op, was told "We could use any operators," and drove up to the site north of Seattle. I had a lot of fun on 20 meter CW. Sporadic E even helped out, and the 6 meter station made a number of contacts with other Field Day stations in the western U.S.

You can get a taste of what happened at Field Day stations around the country via the Contest Soapbox at, http://www.arrl.org/contests/soapbox/. I noticed quite a few posts from Puerto Rico this year. For a remarkable story from Michigan about what happened when a 13-year-old non-ham showed up and wowed everyone by operating the GOTA station on 40 meter CW, see the narrative from KB6NU at, http://kb6nu.com/field-day-2009-stuart-makes-his-first-contact/. A shorter version with a photo is on page one of the 2009 Field Day Soapbox. Just search for KB6NU.

Last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin mentioned a problem reaching the FTP site for the Penticton observatory, where we get our solar flux numbers. Flux values in our bulletin were expressed in whole numbers last week, not resolved to one tenth as they usually are. If you use the WA4TTK Solar Data Plotting Utility (see http://www.craigcentral.com/sol.asp) to grab the numbers from our bulletin, or if you keep records in some other way, correct June 18 flux to 67.7, June 20 to 66.7, June 23 to 67.9 and June 24 to 66.8. Of course, this only matters if you care about resolving the data to one tenth. The NOAA site at,

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt just rounds them off to whole numbers.

The problem turned out to be at this end, due to a quirk in Internet Explorer 8. In the new browser, unless you have the Enable FTP Folder View option checked in the Browsing section under the Advanced tab in Internet Options, an address such as ftp://lynx.drao.nrc.ca/pub/solar/FLUX_DATA/fluxtablerolling.text could be blocked. Another option is to delete the ftp:// characters in the web address field, then hit Enter, and it will resolve to an http:// URL.

With June over, we can now add to our 3-month moving average, using the April, May and June sunspot numbers to calculate a new average centered on May. The April number (average of daily sunspot numbers for March, April and May) was 2, and the May number is 4.

Here are the three month averages of daily sunspot numbers since January 2007:

Jan 07 22.7
Feb 07 18.5
Mar 07 11.2
Apr 07 12.2
May 07 15.8
Jun 07 18.7
Jul 07 15.4
Aug 07 10.2
Sep 07 5.4
Oct 07 3.0
Nov 07 6.9
Dec 07 8.1
Jan 08 8.5
Feb 08 8.4
Mar 08 8.4
Apr 08 8.9
May 08 5.0
Jun 08 3.7
Jul 08 2.0
Aug 08 1.1
Sep 08 2.5
Oct 08 4.5
Nov 08 4.4
Dec 08 3.6
Jan 09 2.2
Feb 09 2.0
Mar 09 1.5
Apr 09 2.0
May 09 4.0

If you look at Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP023 (http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2009-arlp023.html) which was the last time these numbers were presented, you may notice that the averages centered on December 2008 and January and February 2009 have been revised slightly. This is due to a very small revision in my records of sunspots. But these numbers agree with the data presented at the end of each bulletin.

The one month average for June was 6.6, a good sign because it is higher than the latest 3-month average of 4.

Steve Taylor, K5MR of Gunter, Texas (north of Dallas) was at home last Saturday night during Field Day, and checked 10 meters for sporadic-E skip. He pointed his 7 element beam straight north, and found stations in MN, WI, IL, WY, ND, SD, NE, CA and AZ. He was surprised at 0430z when OH2MCN called him with a solid S7 signal and no flutter or auroral distortion.

Mike Treister, W9NY of Dune Acres, Indiana has more 10 meter sporadic-E news. On June 26 he wrote, "Well it is no secret but for the past 8-10 days, 10 meter propagation has been remarkable. Very widespread sporadic-E seemingly in every conceivable direction (Friday night tonight till 11:30 PM when I stopped) working stations east coast, Canada, south, mid-west, many with 5/9 plus reports, many stations using small antennas and low power, like the good old days. I have also worked a number of Europeans, South Americans, and Caribbean stations at various times on 10. Some Europeans have been coming in well over 5/9. So ionospheric skip has certainly been present. Oh, and worked quite a few stations on 12 meters too. I have heard that 6 meters was open too, but didn't get up there. After calling CQ on 10 meters I have generated huge pile-ups from Dune Acres, Indiana- just like being at my occasional QTH in Nevis as V47NS!"

Back during the All Asia CW Contest, June 20-21, Neal Sulmeyer of Canton, Georgia has an E-skip report for 10 and 15 meters. He writes, "I too had great propagation into JA Friday night during the AA CW. About 30 JAs plus BY, BV, HL, 3 UA0s and VR2 on 15 and about 10 JAs and UA0 on 10M. I also heard 9M6XRO on 10 but as he is not in Asia I did not work him. On Saturday worked A45WG, A65BD, 4L6QC on a dead band!"

Larry Godek, W0OGH in Gilbert, Arizona reports good times on 6 meters with two watts and a 5 element Yagi. He uses DX Sherlock to check for openings (http://www.vhfdx.net/spots/map.php) and notes that on Saturday, June 27 during Field Day the eastern portion of the U.S. was covered with a blob of red lines.

He wrote, "By 1601Z signals started coming up out of the noise and things got hot. First off was AA4V in FM02 followed by EM44, FM06, DN25, EM37 and a ton more."

"Man was it a hoot, Only had 90 QSOs to log but I worked Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Virginia, Connecticut, Maryland, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and at least 20 more states. Grid squares I never thought I'd hear, much less work. High spot was hearing JA7WSZ and JH0RNN on CW even though I couldn't get back to them. I tried but kind of got over ridden by some of the higher power guys. Didn't hear a single Florida, Iowa, Minnesota, New Mexico, Alabama, West Virginia, North Dakota or Michigan station."

"Today, June 30 didn't start out very good. Looked fair on the east coast but nothing out west here. Picked up a couple of stations to the SE but around 1816 the Pacific NW started showing up. Looking at DX Sherlock web page there were lots of lines from the SW here going to Alaska. Well why not. So I slid down to 50.095 and heard KL2AX calling CQ. Jumped on that one right away and made a contact out of it. WHOOPEE! Alaska with 2 watts. When I finished that one the frequency filled up with stations calling them. While there was a VE8 operating also I didn't hear anything out of him. 2W of RF is fun but 16 more dB of power will really help. Probably next step then will be to get a pair of 7 el Yagis and stack them. That should really help the 100W output."

Larry also suggests that everyone check out the Logbook of the World at, http://www.arrl.org/lotw/.

In other 6 meter news, Brian Smith, W9IND reports that the W9VW beacon on 50.069 MHz from grid square EM69wt in Indianapolis was heard by F6FHP in France at 2010z on June 26. The grid square at the other end was IN94, and the signal report was 529. The beacon runs 8 watts.

Mike Schwieterman, K7MS of Lake Tahoe (Incline Village, Nevada) reports a 160 meter opening recently, using a dipole at 100 feet. He writes, "At 03:20z June 25 made contact with PY2BW (Brazil) on 1.821 CW - RST was 549, PY2BW was also 549. Heard CP4BT in QSO with PY2BW after our contact. I called CP4BT after the QSO ended but no response. Both stations were very copyable for about 60 minutes."

Mike notes that he heard W1AW around 1.8025 MHz with S5-S9 signals around the same time.

Earlier in the month, Bob Karpinski, WB8B of Clinton Township, Michigan had some QRP fun on June 11 and 17. With one watt CW on June 11 he worked N1BAA in Massachusetts at 2355z on 10 meters. Also with one watt on 10 meters he worked W1QS in Maine on June 17 at 2354z. Also on June 17 with 5 watts CW on 12 meters he worked VA2WDQ (Quebec) at 2336z, AA4AK in Maine at 2342z, and at 2347z he worked CT1AOZ in Portugal.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for June 25 through July 1 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 68, 66.8, 67, 67, 68.5, 68.2, and 67.5 with a mean of 67.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 3, 3, 11, 10, 5 and 4 with a mean of 6.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 2, 4, 8, 7, 5 and 3 with a mean of 5.
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10149. ARLD026 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-02 23:47:53 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5006 Message: 10149

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ARLD026 DX news

ZCZC AE26
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 26 ARLD026
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 2, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD026
ARLD026 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TIMOR-LESTE, 4W. Chris is QRV as 4W6FR and has been active on 20 and 17 meters using either PSK and SSB after 0900z. QSL via VK4FW.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Wayne, W5KDJ will be QRV as 5R8KD from July 5 to 17. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW and RTTY. This includes an entry in the upcoming IARU contest. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Pierre, HB9QQ is QRV as 8Q7QQ until July 11. He is active on the newer bands, 6 meters and EME. QSL to home call.

PORTUGAL, CT. A group of operators will be QRV as CR5NRA on July 4 during the WLOTA contest. QSL via operators' instructions. In addition, members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be QRV as CR6A on July 5 from Fuzeta Est Mole Lighthouse. QSL via CT1GFK.

TAJIKISTAN, EY. Rahim, EY7AD has been QRV on 20 meters SSB around 0130z. QSL to home call.

JAPAN, JA. Operators 7N4AGB/6, JK1EBA/6, JJ1JGI/6, JA1XEQ/6 and JA1KJW/6 will be QRV from Tokashiki Island, IOTA AS-017, from July 7 to 10. QSL to home calls.

PUERTO RICO, KP4. Look for station K4G to be QRV during the WLOTA Contest from WLOTA 2802 using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via WP3MW.

POLAND, SP. In celebration of the Tall Ships' 2009 Race in Gdynia, special event stations SN2009TSR, SN50ZAGLE, SN09A, SN09C, SN09E, SN09H, SN09I, SN09L, SN09P, SN09R, SN09S, SN09T, SP09A, SP09L, SP09S and SQ09S are QRV until July 7. QSL via operators' instructions.

EAST KIRIBATI, T32. Tovia, T32TV has been QRV from Christmas Island, IOTA OC-024, using SSB on 20 meters around 0600z. QSL via operator's instructions.

ARUBA, P4. Joe, W2OZO is QRV as P40OZ until July 4. Activity is mostly on 20 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Look for ZX8A to be QRV from Sao Luiz Island, IOTA SA-016, from July 8 to 11. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. This includes possible activity from the Aracagi Lighthouse ARLHS BRA-005. QSL via PT2OP.

DODECANESE, SV5. George, GM0IIO is QRV as SV5/homecall from Rhodes, IOTA EU-011, until July 8. Activity is on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

CHAGOS ISLAND, VQ9. Larry, VQ9LA has been QRV on 20 meters around 0240z. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The WLOTA Contest, Digital Pentathlon, Venezuelan Independence Day Contest, DL-DX RTTY Contest, Original QRP CW Contest, PODXS 070 Club 40-Meter Firecracker Sprint, MI QRP July 4th CW Sprint and the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship is scheduled for July 6. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for July 7. Please see July QST, page 76, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10150. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-03 12:41:15 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 10145 Message: 10150

Looking forward to seeing you on PSK-31 and any observations regarding its effectiveness in a DX-pedition.

73 & DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Frosty
Sent: Wednesday, July 01, 2009 1:56 PM
To: Carl Smith ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; Dxpeditions
Subject: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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> Well here we go. The following group will be operating from Lesotho
> starting on July 29th through the 13th of Aug. We will be operating with
> the equipment
> supplied by African DX Safari in Johannesburg. The following hams will be
> on the air. Pista(Dr. Gasper Istvan HA5AO) 7P8AO;
> Ben Pyfer(DJ0YI) 7P8YI; Laurent Thomin(W0MM) 7P8MM; John
> Plenderleith(9M6XRO) 7P8OK; Frosty(Charles Frost K5LBU) 7P8CF.
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> We will have 2 stations on all the time and might have a 3rd for PSK &
> RITTY. Will work all bands but will put in lots of effort on 160/80 meters
> as we have a 70 foot vertical which works great on those bands. For 40
> will have a 4sq. dipole setup on one of the towers. The 2 trailers with
> towers that will be up and have Tennadayne T8 LogP antennas at about 55
> feet. For 30 meters a sloper off one tower. I will try to get Daniel ZS6JR
> to also put up our M2 6 meter beam so can give that band a try.
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> Qsl to each persons home call please except for 9M6XRO John has his own
> QSL manager in the UK.
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> The guys from 4M5DX will not be able to join up with us due to things
> beyond their control. We do wish that they could but things did not work
> out for them.
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> Charles F. Frost
> Frosty
> frosty1@...
> http://www.africandxsafari.com

10151. [425ENG] 425 DX News #948

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-03 16:25:59 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10151 Message: 10151

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3B7 - Rachid, 3B8FQ has received approval and will be active as 3B7FQ from St. Brandon Island (AF-015) in August. This may be his last visit to 3B7 for the next five years. It will be a working trip, with time shared for maintenance on the island's meteorological equipment. He will depart Mauritius on 10 August and return from St. Brandon on the 30th. Operation will be SSB and CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via K5XK. [TNX K5XK]
3D2_cr - Conway Reef (OC-112) was activated for the first time in April 1989 by 3D2CR. Twenty years after that event, Hawa, DK9KX (ex 3D2CR) will return to Ceva-I-Ra along with six other operators (namely Norbert/DJ7JC, Jan/DJ8NK, Dieter/DJ9ON, Heye/DJ9RR, Hans/DL6JGN and Ron/PA3EWP). They plan to be active between 1 and 10 October, depending on weather conditions, and to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 160-6 metres. The callsign will be announced when the operation starts. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or bureau. A web page is under construction. [TNX DJ8NK]
3W - In March 2008 XV3M (F6BUM) activated IOTA group AS-185, but was able to make only 577 QSOs under difficult circumstances [425DXN 886]. Those who did not work Jack will be given a new chance on 10-18 April 2010, when Hans-Peter, HB9BXE and a large group of operators from Switzerland, Germany and Vietnam will be active as 3W6C from Con Co Island. Further information is expected in due course. For the time being, please visit http://www.3w6c.qrv.ch/ and consider supporting the project with a donation. [TNX HB9BXE]
4W - Chris, VK4FR works for the Australian Armed Forces and is currently stationed in Dili, East Timor (OC-148) through October. He operates SSB and digital modes as 4W6FR in his spare time. QSL via VK4FW. [TNX VK4FW]
8Q - Pierre, HB9QQ is now active as 8Q7QQ from the Maldives until 11 July. He operates on 50183 kHz in JT65A mode (first period) around moonrise and moonset in search of Sporadic E and EME contacts. Other activities include 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via mome call. [TNX HB9PL]

9Y - The Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Radio Society (TTARS) will be QRV during the IARU HF World Championship (11-12 July), probably as 9Y4HQ (callsign to be confirmed). IOTA Chasers please note that activity will take place from two different locations, one on Trinidad (SA-011) and the other on Tobago (SA-009). The station on Tobago is most likely to operate on 40 and 80 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]
CT9 - Look for CT9/DB2TR, CT9/DK7TM, CT9/DL1CW, CT9/DL1SBF and CT9/DL3ZH to operate SSB, CW and RTTY from Madeira (AF-014) on 10-15 July, IARU HF World Championship included. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX DL1SBF]
DL - Harald, DF6BL will be active as DF6BL/p from Langeness Island (EU-042) on 6-13 July. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
DL - Sebastian, DL1AXX will be active as DL1AXX/p from Warder Island (EU-128, O-32 for the German Island Award) on 11-18 July. He will operate CW only on 30, 40 and 80 metres. QSl via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
DU - Moj, PA3GZU will be active holiday style as DU9/PA3GZU from Mindanao Island (OC-130) from 6 July to 1 August. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
EI - Members of the Dalkey Island Contest Group (namely EI2CA, EI5DI, EI6EW, EI7CC, EI7CD, EI8BP and EI8CE) will participate in the IOTA Contest (25-26 July) as EJ1DD from Clare Island (EU-121). QSL via EI7CC. Before and after the contest, on 23-27 July, look for the individual operators using EJ prefixes. [TNX EI7CC]
FT5G - The much anticipated DXpedition to Glorioso (FT5GA) has been postponed again, hopefully at the end of August. The main cause for this unexpected postponement is a stability problem of the runway on Grande Glorieuse, which must be fixed in early July in order to allow safe landings. However, the silver lining is that two more operators (David, F8CRS and Bernard, F5LPY) will be able to join F4EGS, F5IRO, F5PRU, F5RQQ and F5TLN. They still expect to remain on the island for about three weeks, and to have four stations active 24/7 (three on the HF bands and one on 6 metres). [TNX F5NQL]
G - The Wakefield & District Radio Society will be active as GB1HI from Holy (Lindisfarne) Island (EU-120) on 10-13 July. QSL via M3ZYZ.
HB0 - Alain, F5LMJ will be active as HB0/F5LMJ/p from Liechtenstein on 11-24 July. He plans to operate CW and digital modes during his evening and early morning hours. QSL via F5LMJ, bureau preferred. Alain will upload his log to LoTW. [TNX F5LMJ]
HK0_sa - The Daily DX reports that Dennis, 5J0BV [425DXN 944] has extended his stay and is now expected to remain active from San Andres until 16 UTC on 6 July. QSL via K7BV.
I - Andrea, IZ2LSC will be active holiday style as IH9/IZ2LSC from Pantelleria Island (AF-018, IIA TP-001) on 20-31 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via IZ2LSC (bureau only). He will

upload the log to LoTW. Andrea's blog is at
http://timpyblog.blogspot.com/2009/06/pantelleria-island.html [TNX
IZ2LSC]
JA - Nine HQ stations representing JARL will be active from various
regions of Japan for the IARU HF World Championship (11-12 July):
Call Band/Mode Location

8N1HQ 15m-CW Kimitsu City, Chiba
8N1HQ 160m-CW, 10m-CW Minato Ku, Tokyo
8N1HQ 80m-Ph Minami-Ashigara City, Kanagawa
8N2HQ 10m-Ph Nakatsugawa City, Gifu
8N3HQ 15m-Ph Nara City, Nara
8N3HQ 40m-CW Kobe City, Hyogo
8N3HQ 20m-CW Miki City, Hyogo
8N4HQ 80m-CW, 40m-Ph Okayama City, Okayama
8N8HQ 20m-Ph Iwamizawa City, Hokkaido
Each station may be heard on other bands in the week before the
contest. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.
[TNX JA1BPA]
LX - Once again LX0HQ will represent the Luxembourg Amateur Radio
Society (RL) in the IARU HF World Championship. There will be
twenty operators for nine stations from Eschdorf (QTH of LX7I,
webcam at http://www.lx2a.com) and Esebuer (QTH of LX0RL). The new
QSL route is via LX2A. Bureau cards can be requested at
lx0hqgrlx.lu and the log will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX LX2A]
OH - Look for UA1ANA, RA1AGL and RV1AE to be active as OH2DZ/p,
OH/RA1AGL/p and OH/RV1AE/p from Reposaari Island (EU-173) on 3-6
July. [TNX robinsons.ru]
S5 - Nineteen operators will run the twelve S50HQ stations (10-160
metres CW and SSB) that will represent ZRS during the IARU HF
World Championship (11-12 July). QSL via the Slovenian QSL bureau
and LoTW. [TNX S50U]
SV - Alexandros/SV8CYR, Vassilis/SV8CYV, Ilias/SV8FMY and Giorgios/
SV8IJZ will be active as SX8GR from Samos Island (EU-049) for the
Aegean VHF Contest (4-5 July, rules at http://www.5-9report.gr/).
They will operate SSB and CW on 6 and 2 metres, and on 40 and 80
metres during their nights. QSL direct to SV8FMY. [TNX SV8CYV]
SV - Gabi, HA1YA will be active as J48YA from Zakynthos Island (EU-052)
on 8-21 July, and from Thassos Island (EU-174) from 25 August to 8
September. He will operate on 6, 4 and 2 metres, as well as on the
HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX DL8EBW and MMMonVHF]
UA - Alex, RA1QY plans to operate as RA1QY/1 from several islands in
Onega Bay, White Sea on 4-11 July. IOTA groups concerned are
EU-147 and EU-153, with Purluda Island (EU-153) as main target.
Details can be found at http://robinsons.ru/ (click on "News
RRA"). QSL via RA1QY ,direct or bureau. [TNX RA1QY]
YL - Special callsign YL90AIR will be used through 31 December to
celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Latvian Air Forces. QSL via
bureau and eQSL.cc [TNX YL3AD]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Gerben, PG5M reports that the dates for his September operations from Kiribati and Tuvalu [425DXN 947] have been swapped. The updated schedule is as follows:
06-07 September Fiji requested call 3D2G
08-14 September Western Kiribati T30G
15-16 September Fiji requested call 3D2G
17-23 September Tuvalu T2G
24-27 September Fiji requested call 3D2G
Gerben will operate CW only. QSL via PG5M, direct or bureau. Updates will be posted at http://www.dx.to/ [TNX PG5M]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DX SUMMIT ---> In the process of making the DX Summit service more focused on younger user segments and non-amateur radio population, two features have been added recently to the Radio Arcala (OH8X) DX Summit portal (http://www.dxsummit.fi/). Each spotting and spotted callsign is automatically linked to qrz.com, providing a more human link to the personal profiles of people and to their pictures. Additionally, each line carries the name of the DXCC country spotted.
In a few months time, custom selected filters will be provided to the public allowing users to receive personalized spots. While initially the selected spots will be sent to your personal e-mail address, the ultimate aim is to offer an SMS (short message service) option to DX Summit users. This service is a non-profit exercise for Radio Arcala, but donations will be gratefully accepted. A Help Desk for regular users and for S/W developers is being set up, and support is currently channelled through the relevant button: donations will be used to help fund exclusively the DX Summit Help Desk function, and OH8X will send you a Radio Arcala wall calendar postpaid to those who donate. Support related to the calendar is limited to the months of July and August 2009. [TNX OH8X]

NCDXF ---> The Northern California DX Foundation Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Ed Muns, W0YK, as an Advisor to the NCDXF Board of Directors. Ed's primary duty, along with Doug Bender, WW6D, will be working with the NCDXF website (http://www.ncdxf.org). Since May 2008, NCDXF has provided financial help to 4W6R (Timor Lorosa'e), VK9XWW (Christmas Island), VK9CJW (Cocos-Keeling), OJ0B (Market Reef), VK9DWX (Willis Island), A5100A (Bhutan), E44M (Palestine), FW5RE (Wallis & Fortuna), K5D (Desecheo Island), VK9LA (Lord Howe Island) and S04R (Western Sahara). Contributions can now easily be made on-line using a SSL secured web server (https://www.ncdxf.org/donate). [TNX W0GJ]

QSL 4S7BRG ---> The new QSL route for Mario, 4S7BRG is via LZ3HI. Cards can be requested direct (Emil Stoikov, P.O. Box 8, 6000 Stara Zagora, Bulgaria) or via the bureau.

QSL HQ9R ---> It seems that quite a few people are still sending cards for HQ9R to the former QSL manager (N6FF), who has been a Silent Key since August 2007. Please note that the correct QSL route is via K5WW. [TNX K5WW]

QSL VK9LA ---> "After much haggling with the Australian Customs Department, we have finally received the QSL cards from Czech Republic", Bill Horner, VK4FW says. He had planned to have all direct QSLling done by the end of June, but this is no longer possible. On 2 July Bill left home for a two-month family holiday. He processed and mailed as many cards as he could before leaving, so "many of you will receive your cards within a few days, but there will be also many that will not". Please be patient.

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (306 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (961 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2613 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (315 QSLs), Antarctic bases (768 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 248 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (251 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (96 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (631 QSLs), French Departments (535 QSLs) and USA (50 QSLs), plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (107 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit http://LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@... [TNX F6AJA]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

VY1JA QRT ---> Jay, VY1JA (N8JA) says his work stint in VY0 has concluded, and he is back home in the Yukon. His last logged QSO was made on 19 October 2008 and he is retiring from amateur radio. His station has been dismantled, and he is giving/selling everything to "younger Yukon hams". Steve, N3SL will continue to keep his logs and answer QSLs, while Akio, JA3JM handles QSLling for Japan. [TNX N3SL]

WHQS AWARD ---> "QTC", the Polish Amateur Radio Journal, sponsors the 2009 W-HQ-S award for working at least ten HQ stations during the upcoming IARU HF Contest. Rules and picture of the certificate can be found at http://www.skjkc.pl/pga/index.php?go=news&dzial=swiat&id=362 [TNX SP2FAP]

ZK2V ---> Chris, ZL1CT reports that, despite "flat" band conditions, he made 15817 QSOs (including 1279 QSOs on RTTY) 160, 80, 60, 40, 30, 20, 15 and 12 metres during his recent ZK2V DXpedition to Niue (http://www.zk2v.com/). Jeff, N8CC was the overall leader with 16 band-slots out of a possible 20. QSL via N3SL, direct or bureau. All QSOs have been uploaded to LoTW, resulting in more than 2000 QSO matches.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* QSL ROUTES *******

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3D2YA JA1NLX DP3SSKW DK7FK RZ4HZW RX4HJ
3W1M OM3JW E74KC E73Y SN09A SP2ZIE
3Z0FLIS SP8BBK ED5T EA5ELT SN09C SP2ZIE
3Z50KPN SP5ZRW ED9NA EA9GW SN09E SP2ZIE
4L1FL EA7FTR EE1E EA1GFP SN09H SP2ZIE
4L1FP LZ1OT EE5G EB5GG SN09I SP2ZIE
4U1WED 4U1VIC EF1W EA1WS SN09L SP2ZIE
4W6FR VK4FW EF5K EA5KB SN09P SP2ZIE
4X0X 4Z5AX EG8FSA EA8RKL SN09R SP2ZIE
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10153. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 03 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 184 Issued at 2200Z on 03 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 02/2100Z
to 03/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk was void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (4-6 July).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 02/2100Z to 03/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (4-6 July).
III. Event Probabilities 04 Jul-06 Jul
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Class X 01/01/01
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IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
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A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
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10154. Fwd: [ham-antennas] 80m monoband 3elements yagi impedance enigma

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 14:43:17 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10154 Message: 10154

Lotta time, effort, and DEEP pockets!

Some guys go to any lenght.....sounds like a peace offering to the prop gods.....

Dale K8TS

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Subject: [ham-antennas] 80m monoband 3elements yagi impedance enigma

Dear friends,
I did write last week about 'joining coax' because I had some doubts that Peter & Andy kindly helped me to remove.. Now, I am still joining the coax of my antenna feed-line using two PL259 :-) so, for the moment, no problems, no short circuit etc.

I did ask that question also because I had some doubts and strange results from my present experiment: I am experimenting with a choke balun on a 3 el. mono-band wire Yagi for the 80m.

Last year I converted my classical homemade Half Wave Wire DIPOLE for 80m band (horizontal, 15 meters from the ground with homebrew 1:1 balun), to a Full size 2 elements wire yagi for the 80m. I did the conversion simply adding a wire reflector that was long about 125 feet.

I used the ARRL hand book formulas and many internet sources.

The director dipole arms were 18.8 meters each (61.67 feet each),

the wire section 1.5mm (0.06 inches section, about AWG15) + plastic shield.

The old dipole was perfectly tuned on 3.780 MHz, SWR 1:1, for voice operations.

The 2 wire elements were about 60 feet from the ground, hanged between 4 trees.

The Driven element was horizontal; 'parallel' to the sloping ground of my QTH and, naturally, the dipole was also sloping, but mainly parallel to the "terrace" sloping ground. The ground is quite wet, I am in a mountain area (Apennines mountains Range 850m slm).

The dipole (Driven element) direction is beaming west.

I decided to add the Reflector element to the dipole to build a Full size 2 elements wire Yagi for the 80m.

At that time the reflector was 38 meters long (124,7 feet) and the reflector wire section 1.5mm (0.06 inches section = AWG15) + plastic shield.

The ARRL Radio Amateur Handbook gives the formula: 0.15 x lambda, to calculate the reflector distance from the director, just to give a 'fair' compromise, anyway I also used other sources to find a good compromise.

The reflector wire spacing was "about" 8 meters from the director (+/- 1m or 2m).

Adding the 124,7 feet Reflector, the antenna have a lower radiation angle and MORE GAIN compared to the previous dipole.

I did receive very good reports locally (5/9+20 without any amplifier in almost all Italy) and I was able to receive more Dx stations, I worked USA a good number of times compared to my previous standards with a simple dipole.

After the winter (that destroyed all my wires antennas) I now try to add an additional element to build a: '3 ELEMENTS FULL SIZE YAGI FOR THE 80M BAND'.

At the present I took out all the other antennas and I am experimenting only with the homemade Full size Horizontal 3 elements WIRE YAGI for the 80m band (director of 37m, driven element of 37,4m and reflector of 39m) height 16 to 20 meters from the ground, elements spacing 11,8m) with 1:1 balun home made on ferrite rods.

I received a good help from Vlad (RW1AC Vladimir Askenov) from the RU1A club station, he gave me advice about the lenghts of the wire elements, checking them with his software. I also took some inspiration about 3 elements Yagi from Stephen VE6WZ's website http://www.qsl.net/ve6wz/intro.htm and from the ARRL antenna handbook.

After adding the third elements and changing the element lengths and their spacing to 11.8meters, the SWR (clearly without the tuner, straight from the antenna) with the old ferrite rods 1:1 balun was LESS THAN 2:1 FROM 3.620 TO 3.800 Mhz

The elements spacing 11.8m (in practice 12 meters "average").

The new 3 elements antenna was working very well for National and European QSOs, where I get a standard 5/9+10 dB, but I was not able to test it properly on DX because of the very bad propagation during summer (!) in 80m.

Anyway I noticed that the antenna was quite noisy: in 80m the noise level always 9 +20 dB average !

So I decided to take out the homemade 1:1 balun (built on straight ferrite rods) and to replace it with a CHOKE BALUN (UGLY BALUN) to check if the noise was going to diminish.

The previous experiment, the 2 elements wire yagi full size for the 80m was LESS NOISY and it was working pretty well also in DX.

My aim is to make the antenna resonating mainly on the 80m Dx window (3.795 to 3.8MHz), anyway it has a low SWR on all the 80m voice operation band. The lower SWR point is 1,3:1 @ 3.8 MHz.:

The 3 el. Yagi was working without tuner in all the 80m band for voice operation but was quite noisy (?) compared to my old experiment, the Yagi with 2 elements.

The ugly Balun (choke: 6 meters that is about 19feet, 13 turns) of LMR 240 it is well made, the coax ends of the balun are well separate. It looks pretty.

After replacing my ferrite balun 1:1 with the ugly balun the SWR worsted!! : 3:1 and more in all the 80m band. Very bad SWR..

I checked the choke, no noticeable problems, very nice and clean, no short circuit, all is ok. I even used the same coax without adding a PL259, so there are no breaks, I just coiled the old coax around an empty and open plastic drum without cutting it. The choke is at the centre of the dipole.

Do you have any general suggestion about this antenna experiment ?

In particular, why the choke balun is not working well, while the old 1:1 balun on ferrite road gave better results ?

I read many good reports on choke baluns (ugly) and I thought is was ok.

Actually the choke balun IT IS NOT WORKING AT ALL WITH MY YAGI, do you know why?

In your opinion could the antenna impedance be "less" (???) than 50 Ohms ? Can this be the problem ? Why the ugly balun is not working at all ?

You can find information and pictures about the antenna in this webpage here:
http://www.iz5ljb.eu/_sgg/m4m3_1.htm

Any suggestion is welcome !

Thanks again & 73

Max, IZ5LJB

(sorry for my broken English)

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10155. Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
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Topic: 10155 Message: 10155

How many US greenstamps does it take for Canadians to mail a QSL to the US? Is 1 enough, or do they need 2?

73s John AA5JG

10156. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 21:37:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10155 Message: 10156

At 06:09 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

>How many US greenstamps does it take for Canadians to mail a QSL to
>the US? Is 1 enough, or do they need 2?
>
>73s John AA5JG

It's borderline, John, but ONE will no it. It costs $0.98 cents CDN to mail a letter to the US from Canada. However, we have to pay a tax on everything in Canada, including stamps! (Yes, a tax on a tax.) This varies from province to province, but the worst case in 13% like my province of Nova Scotia. So, a $0.98 stamp costs me $0.98 + $0.13 = $1.11 CDN. Given that a USD is worth about $1.10 CDN now, ONE GS will do it. If you send two, the recipient is making a huge profit. I never split hairs over a penny and the currency rates are always fluctuating anyhow. I get a fair number from US stations because I hand out grid squares on 6M and 5-10% of those I work send direct because they are playing the VUCC game. I always answer with one USD or one IRC. The best thing is to get a $0.98 CDN stamp and put it on a SAE, but that isn't always easy to find in the USA. The really frustrating one are those that put a load of US stamps on the SAE. They don't understand that other countries' post offices won't accept US stamps. :-)

To complicate matters more, if you buy more than $5 postage and it is for letters or parcels that are going OUTSIDE Canada, there is no tax charged. Therefore if a QSL manager saves up outgoing letters until they have 6 or more (for the USA), and takes them to the post office, it's $0.98 each with no tax.

You didn't ask, but for anywhere else other than the USA, it costs us $1.65 CDN (plus 13% tax if we don't accumulate over $5 worth.)

73, Paul VE1DX

10157. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 21:45:41 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10157

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--- On Sat, 7/4/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, July 4, 2009, 4:37 PM

At 06:09 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

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>the US? Is 1 enough, or do they need 2?
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10158. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 22:07:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10155 Message: 10158

At 06:45 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

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>inform me. I need a few VE QSLs for the VUCC game. How does the
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10159. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10159

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 04 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 185 Issued at 2200Z on 04 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 03/2100Z
to 04/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. New Region 1024 (S27E02)
emerged early in the period and produced numerous B-class events
during the past 24 hours. The largest of these was a B8 at 0437Z.
The group grew rapidly and is currently a D type sunspot region with
an area of about 140 millionths. The magnetic analysis showed a beta
group with a single, East-West oriented polarity inversion line. The
frequency and intensity of flare activity from the region appeared
to be decreasing slightly during the last four hours of the period.
The remainder of the solar disk was quiet and stable.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be
predominantly very low, but there is a chance for an isolated
C-class flare during the next three days (5-7 July) from Region
1024, especially if it continues to grow.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 03/2100Z to 04/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (5-7 July).
III. Event Probabilities 05 Jul-07 Jul
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 Jul 071
Predicted 05 Jul-07 Jul 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 04 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 Jul 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 04 Jul 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 05 Jul-07 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 05 Jul-07 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10160. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 22:16:43 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 10155 Message: 10160

Thats the beauty of using GlobalQSL. No need to be a member of a society to send cards.

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Saturday, July 04, 2009 6:07 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

At 06:45 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

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10161. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 22:23:44 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10155 Message: 10161

Unless you have a thing for paper cards, you might consider the ARRL

Logbook of The World.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: list_dx@...
> Date: Sat, 4 Jul 2009 19:07:06 -0300
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
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> At 06:45 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:
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10162. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 22:48:21 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10155 Message: 10162

At 07:23 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

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>Logbook of The World.
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>73, Dick, W1KSZ

I agree, Dick, except the ARRL won't accept LoTW confirmations
for VUCC, and I know John is especially interested in collecting 6M
grid square confirmations. I don't understand why the ARRL won't
accept LoTW confirmations for one of their own awards, but it might
be due to a lack of resources to enhance the software to do so.

Presently LoTW is only good for DXCC and WAS (and CQ Magazine
accepts them for their awards -- at least WAZ, not sure about the rest.)

73, Paul Ve1DX

10163. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-04 23:41:50 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10163

Paul,

What grid are you in anyways? I have worked a few VE1s from here in OK, but it is a tough distance for Es. Easier on F2, if that ever happens again.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 7/4/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, July 4, 2009, 5:48 PM

At 07:23 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

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10164. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 00:43:59 UTC
From: wc6dx@aol.com
Topic: 10155 Message: 10164

Paul, a follow-up question to your excellent explanation:

Any issues with US coinage ??

When the US dollar dropped below 1 Canadian dollar some time ago, I would send a green stamp with a 10c coin taped to a yellow sticky note since the coin is thin and doesn't weigh much. I got my requested cards back, but no one ever made a comment one way or another.

Since I sometimes find Canadian coinage (usually 1c, 5c or 25c pieces) in my pocket change, I guess the reverse is similar ... or is it ??

I wouldn't want to burden a VE station with underfunding, so is throwing in a dime or a quarter an option acceptable to our VE buddies ??

73 de Will WC6DX

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10165. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 00:50:08 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10155 Message: 10165

At 08:41 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

>Paul,
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>What grid are you in anyways? I have worked a few VE1s from here in
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Hi John,

I'm in FN84 (FN84hr is the last two mean anything -- I think not for VUCC.) Not super rare but I haven't heard many in this grid on 6M this year. Either way, I'm usually around if the band is open . . . mainly hoping for an EU opening, but it usually occurs the other way. I hear lots of Ws and VEs in the central part of the continent. Occasionally get double hop into CA and the like, but mostly Ohio and Illinois sort of distance, so OK might be just a bit too far for single hop and too close for double.

We have a fairly significant cycle 24 spot that formed last night that has actually had a good affect on HF . . . I noticed it on 30/20/17 today although we are years away from F2 on 6, I fear. It might be my imagination, but it seems these cycle 24 spots are increasing in frequency. We might finally see some action come the fall and winter in terms of improved HF propagation.

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10166. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 00:58:45 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10155 Message: 10166

At 09:43 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

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Hi Will,

Yes, US and Canadian coins are interchangeable "at par", so it doesn't have to be a Canadian coin. I find US coins in my pocket every week and we can use them at any store, etc. US bank notes we can use at some stores, but usually we get stiffed by a lower exchange rate that we would obtain at a bank. I usually re-send US GSs out to DX stations I am looking to QSL, but some guys convert them to CDN to buy postage stamps.

Anyhow, the answer to your question is simple. If you want to be sure tape a dime or quarter (either US or Canadian) to your GS or QSL and you will be well over the cost of the return postage.

73, Paul VE1DX

10167. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 01:08:02 UTC
From: wc6dx@aol.com
Topic: 10155 Message: 10167

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10168. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 01:11:53 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10155 Message: 10168

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: wc6dx@...
Date: Sat, 4 Jul 2009 21:08:02 -0400
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

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10169. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 02:04:05 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10169

Hi Paul,

Looks like I need FN84. I have FN74 and 76 confirmed so it is possible from this distance. Much luck with EU on 6m this summer? I did work GW and G a little over a week ago for 2 new countries on 6m, and caught the V29 last night-probably shortly before Jimmy went QRT. That makes 5 new 6m countries this summer plus 16 new grids. Grids get a little tougher when you get over 450.

I have a VE1DX QSL from the early 80s, but I don't think that was you, was it?

73s John AA5JG

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From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, July 4, 2009, 7:50 PM

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10170. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 02:05:20 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10170

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From: wc6dx@... <wc6dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, July 4, 2009, 8:08 PM

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10171. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 02:06:23 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10171

What is a Carter quarter?

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From: RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: "DX List - New" <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Saturday, July 4, 2009, 8:11 PM

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10172. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 02:22:17 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10155 Message: 10172

It is the Susan B. Anthony Dollar coin.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aa5jg@...
Date: Sat, 4 Jul 2009 19:06:23 -0700
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

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10173. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 02:26:07 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10155 Message: 10173

Look up the term:

Seigniorage

That's why countries issue so many commemorative coins & stamps.

There is one place that issues enough stamps each year that they could air-mail

the entire population to anywhere in the world.

It's a very lucrative business.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aa5jg@...
Date: Sat, 4 Jul 2009 19:05:20 -0700
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

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10174. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 03:40:58 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10155 Message: 10174

At 11:04 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

>Hi Paul,
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>Looks like I need FN84. I have FN74 and 76 confirmed so it is
>possible from this distance. Much luck with EU on 6m this
>summer? I did work GW and G a little over a week ago for 2 new
>countries on 6m, and caught the V29 last night-probably shortly
>before Jimmy went QRT. That makes 5 new 6m countries this summer
>plus 16 new grids. Grids get a little tougher when you get over 450.
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>I have a VE1DX QSL from the early 80s, but I don't think that was you, was it?
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>73s John AA5JG

I got VE1DX in 1996 -- I was VE1UK before that. VE1DX prior to 1996 was a guy named Andy in New Brunswick, and he is still very active and now holds the call VE9DX. It might have been him you worked, but he only got VE1DX around 1989-1990, I think. He was VE1ASJ before that. I don't know who would have held VE1DX in the early 1980's. Possibly someone from Prince Edward Island (now VY2-land), I seem to recall. If you have the card handy, I'd be interested in the name/address on it. I don't know the history of this call prior to Andy getting it ~1989.

I bet your FN74 is VE1YX (possibly still using his old call, VE1AVX, in the very early 1980s.) He is the king of 6M in Nova Scotia and has been for 30-40 years . . . and he is in FN74. Still very active. He was running a string of Ws on 6M today.

Congratulations on the new ones on 6M on Es. They are hard to come by that way, especially from the central USA. Although most of this week EU was skipping over us and guys farther inland were working them. I managed to work the TZ6EI so that is my prize of the year. I still have a lot of holes, and we need F2 propagation to fill them.

73, Paul VE1DX

10175. side note on qsl's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 04:26:09 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10175 Message: 10175

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 11:57:24 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10155 Message: 10176

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10178. Re: Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 12:16:37 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10155 Message: 10178

The U.S. currently has three (3) dollar coins:

Susan B. Anthony
Sacajawea
Presidential (don't know how many diff prez are on the coins)

Art - N4PJ

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Date: 2009-07-05 13:21:13 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 10175 Message: 10179

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10180. Re: [DX-IS] side note on qsl's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 13:37:39 UTC
From: n9lah@arrl.net
Topic: 10175 Message: 10180

I admit that I have forgotten to dump contest logs into my regular logging program. Usually when I get a NIL card I look to see what contests were that weekend (I don't operate too much during the week) and see if I have a contest log for that time period. I usually find the call in a contest log.

Phil

N9LAH

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10181. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 14:08:56 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10155 Message: 10181

The USA is not alone, sadly, in dumbing down the requirements for an amateur radio license. Canada, as well as most of the "western" countries, has done the same thing. As a former instructor to potential hams, I agree with Dave's comments. In fact, although I am still registered as a volunteer examiner, I'd estimate that in the last 10 years I have had fewer than a half dozen calls from folks interested in writing a test.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 14:22:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10155 Message: 10182

As a Canadian who has dealt with coinage for $1 and $2 since their inception, I want to comment on two things.

In my travels, it has not been uncommon for me to collect as much as $20-25 in "change" in the run of a single day. This weighs heavily in one's pocket until it can be exchanged for bills. It is terribly inconvenient and the government, in it's wisdom, made both the "loonie" and the "twoonie" far larger and heavier than they ought to be.

Canada has also failed to produce enough 50-cent pieces for decades and while a limited number are minted annually, they are not now normally in circulation.

I have seen bills from some European countries which appear to be super-laminated and I suspect these would outlast the normal paper currency by several years.

It would certainly make it easier for Canadians to send cash with QSL requests if we had bills instead of a sickly coloured $1 coin and a ridiculously large and heavy and not attractive $2 coin.

And to top it off, I am particularly pleased when a "foreign" ham sends me a Canadian $1 bill with a QSL request. And the better the condition of the bill, the broader the smile on my face.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 14:51:06 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10155 Message: 10183

I suspect you're right. I was first licensed in 1967. At the time, the older folks commented on the dumbing down of the exams because we no longer had to draw schematics of things on the exams. We still had to identify them and the components in them.

1967 is far enough back that you can notice a difference in things now. There are both positive and negative changes in ham radio since then. There was no internet back then and no personal computers. No calculators either - we did our work with slide rules and paper. Or if you were lucky you had one of those mechanical monster calculating machines or a hand-held Curta calculator (also mechanical - you turned a crank on top to do the calculations). [I'll bet most of those are in museums now!] So the advent of computers and advances in technology have improved things. We have radios now that can do things we didn't even dream of back in the 60's. We can design antennas on the computer and build them and they outperform what we had back then. Parts that didn't even exist in the 60's are now available and cheap for those who still build their own stuff.

But I think the hobby is now competing with the internet and other aspects of the technology for newcomers' attention. A very few see the true magic of radio. Most people who aren't hams don't get it and would rather spend their time on internet or with their X-boxes, etc. They have shorter attention spans and want exams that don't require much effort. I wonder how many people have gotten a license, think the only aspect of the hobby is 2m FM and give it up after a couple years?

I remember what got me hooked on ham radio - a teacher who taught a few of us ham radio classes after regular school hours in 8th grade had a few of us up to see his station one afternoon. Even let us say a few words to someone in a far away place into the mic. I was completely fascinated. Maybe that's what we need more of. Field Day is a great way to introduce people to our hobby. There were several people who visited our site this year. I had fun explaining things to some of them.

I think if the hobby dies it's only because we haven't continued this activity of showing people what it is and what it can do. Even in this high-tech world there's one thing you don't see every day - someone with a small dish on a tripod somewhere. I set my dish up in many locations along Lake Michicigan in Wisconsin as a rover in the 10 GHz contest for the last few years. I got quite an audience in many places. I thought it was great fun to show them what I was doing. Maybe one or two of them got their licenses. I can only hope.

73, Zack W9SZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 16:51:56 UTC
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From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10155 Message: 10185

Based on your comment and those of others, Dick, I suspect what you say is true. I'm happy to say that I have experienced little of the kind of behaviour you mention, probably because I don't often listen in the phone bands anymore. Yes, I have heard guys, from whom I would have expected better manners, but it is often the newcomer whose antics and jargon on the air leave me with wide and fiery eyes.

No doubt about it, we aren't what we used to be and I can't and won't expect it to ever be what it was. Society is constantly changing.

But I can still express my displeasure. Like, I mean, that's, like, my right, right?

73

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From: Dale Cole K8TS
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Amazinly he attached a copy of his adif file for that time period ....nothing even close........I would accept it as a busted call for it not matched..........go figure :(

Dale K8TS

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Sent: Saturday, July 04, 2009 11:26 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] side note on qsl's

I did not get into reading tthe mail on the "green stamp" thread, but there was a lot of talk about bureos, lotw, directs, yada yada.....

One thing about qsling and being a member of a bureo that I have found interesting........On occassion I will upload my log after contests to eqsl, for those who do like to use it. After uploading recently I looked at what matches might be there that really matched mine. A particual W* made a match, and I needed him real bad for 160 WAS. Took down the info, checked my log, and sent a qsl direct. Came back NIL. Wonder how we made a match?

Dale K8TS

10187. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 17:35:46 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10187

--- On Sun, 7/5/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

>A very few see the true magic of radio. Most people who aren't hams don't >get it and would rather spend their time on internet or with their X->boxes, etc.

And that is fine. I don't expect most people to get it. That doesn't bother me. If you don't understand the magic of radio, I really don't want you to be a ham. It seems like we have this obsession (fueled in big part by the ARRL and CQ) that everyone should be interested in ham radio and want to get a license. I could really care less how many hams we have, as long as we have quality ones. Most of the hams we get today in my area only view ham radio as a means to an end, instead of the end itself. They want to chase tornados (and maybe qualify for a Darwin Award) and only get a license for the communication aspect of that activity. They could care less about ragchewing, awards, DXing, HF, etc.

My wife doesn't care at all about ham radio and I have no feeling that I want to convert her-as long as she lets me operate.

73s John AA5JG

10188. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 17:37:07 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10188

Yes, but it has gotten worse. And you have to admit, the QSOs we now hear are not the extreme techinical quality that we were promised when they dropped the code test and all of these Ph.D in EE (who could get a Ph.D but not learn the code) became hams.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 7/5/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, July 5, 2009, 11:51 AM

At 07:08 AM 7/5/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

I am dismayed when I listen on the bands and hear some of the "blasphemy" committed by new arrivals to our ranks.
It is by no means limited to the new arrivals. The cesspools populated by long-time foul-mouthed Extra Class operators have been around forever.

Dick

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Dick Flanagan K7VCdick@...

10189. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 18:14:07 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10189

Hi Paul,

VE1ASJ is a callsign I hadn't thought of in a while. Used to work Andy about every contest, glad to know he has a VE9 callsign now. When did the "breakup" of VE1 into VE1, VE9, and VY2 occur? Were stations in NB and PEI required to change prefixes, or could they keep their VE1 call if they wanted?

I have 2 VE1DX QSLs, one from the 10 meter contest in 1982 and one from the 1984 CQWW SSB contest. The call belonged to a E. Garth Harper in Albany, PEI.

I have worked VE1YX a few times on 6m.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 7/4/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Saturday, July 4, 2009, 10:40 PM

At 11:04 PM 7/4/2009, you wrote:

>Hi Paul,
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>Looks like I need FN84. I have FN74 and 76 confirmed so it is
>possible from this distance. Much luck with EU on 6m this
>summer? I did work GW and G a little over a week ago for 2 new
>countries on 6m, and caught the V29 last night-probably shortly
>before Jimmy went QRT. That makes 5 new 6m countries this summer
>plus 16 new grids. Grids get a little tougher when you get over 450.
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>I have a VE1DX QSL from the early 80s, but I don't think that was you, was it?
>
>73s John AA5JG

I got VE1DX in 1996 -- I was VE1UK before that. VE1DX prior to
1996 was a guy named Andy in New Brunswick, and he is still very
active and now holds the call VE9DX. It might have been him you
worked, but he only got VE1DX around 1989-1990, I think. He was
VE1ASJ before that. I don't know who would have held VE1DX in the
early 1980's. Possibly someone from Prince Edward Island (now
VY2-land), I seem to recall. If you have the card handy, I'd be
interested in the name/address on it. I don't know the history of
this call prior to Andy getting it ~1989.

I bet your FN74 is VE1YX (possibly still using his old call, VE1AVX, in the very early 1980s.) He is the king of 6M in Nova Scotia and has been for 30-40 years . . . and he is in FN74. Still very active. He was running a string of Ws on 6M today.

Congratulations on the new ones on 6M on Es. They are hard to come by that way, especially from the central USA. Although most of this week EU was skipping over us and guys farther inland were working them. I managed to work the TZ6EI so that is my prize of the year. I still have a lot of holes, and we need F2 propagation to fill them.

73, Paul VE1DX

10190. East coast calls in Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 18:27:58 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10155 Message: 10190

At 03:14 PM 7/5/2009, you wrote:

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I'm guessing here John, but I think around 1994 or
1995. Someone else who has old documentation laying around might be
able to give an exact date. Nova Scotia retained VE1 and NB was
assigned VE9 and PEI was assigned VY2.

Existing Hams in NB and PEI were allowed to retain their VE1
calls on the assumption they would slowly disappear through
attrition. Some kept them, and others applied right away for calls
with the new prefixes.

All new NB/PEI calls issued since the date (whenever it was in
94 or 95) must be VE9 or VY2. As time goes by, it is more and more
likely when you hear a VE1 he or she is in Nova Scotia.

73, Paul VE1DX

10191. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 19:09:22 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10155 Message: 10191

At 10:03 AM 7/5/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

>But I can still express my displeasure. Like, I mean, that's, like,
>my right, right?

Absolutely, Al. I was just jumping in because I see a lot of old experienced hams blaming the new ones for all the bad conduct. When I was a Novice in the summer of 1961 there were already lids and foul-mouths holding court. It is not a new phenomenon and human nature well ensure that it will never entirely go away.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10192. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 19:13:07 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10192

But wouldn't you agree that it has gotten worse, Dick? 10-4, good buddy, got your ears on skipland? Ready to tune for maximum swing!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 7/5/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, July 5, 2009, 2:09 PM

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10193. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 19:15:47 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10155 Message: 10193

Of course we see alot of the opposite happening also-the idea that the experience hams cause all of the problems, and the new hams are just saints. You are not allowed to ever constructly criticize, or correct when they are wrong, because that might run them off.

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10194. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 19:23:13 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10155 Message: 10194

Actually, Dick, after I reread that post, I somehow had a feeling you'd take it the way you did. I didn't mean it that way, however. I was trying to be "hip" (what a terribly out-dated expression (much like me)) and "cool" with the "likes" and the "I mean,". Apparently I failed miserably!!!

No, I agree with you absolutely. When I was getting on the air, just a few years before you, there were lots of guys I would listen to but thankfully never emulated. And just the other day I was listening to a well-known left coaster who I have always thought was an absolute boor. On this occasion, talking to some friends, he was most pleasant and interesting to listen to. Every other time I have heard him, for more than 40 years, he was a blow-hard and particularly condescending.

And then there was that guy who'd call CQ and specify that he didn't want "no space cadets..." There were a few others, especially on both coasts, north and south of the border, who also had to lord over their contacts how much equipment, power and antennas they had -- and presumably money -- and made the rest of us feel pretty shoddy.

One of most my memorable contacts was with Windy Windom, W8GZ, back when I was still in short pants (like I am today). An incredible gentleman and, like my Elmer, one of the hams who had an incredible influence on me and my operating style.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dick Flanagan
Sent: Sunday, July 05, 2009 4:09 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

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10195. RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 19:38:31 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10155 Message: 10195

At 12:15 PM 7/5/2009, John Geiger wrote:

>Of course we see alot of the opposite happening also-the idea that
>the experience hams cause all of the problems, and the new hams are
>just saints. You are not allowed to ever constructly criticize, or
>correct when they are wrong, because that might run them off.

When I first got on the air I made a complete fool of myself. I eventually learned through the good examples of those more experienced than I and the caring tutelage of a few wonderful Elmers. It is now up to us to provide the good examples and that gentle tutelage. Be a friend, not a cop.

There will always be a certain number of hams who will refuse to learn and will stagger down their own rocky paths, but there are more who will appreciate a hand reached out in friendship. I am reminded of one unrepentant Luddite in my own community who will never learn and doesn't want to. He happens to be an eighty-year-old Extra who has been a ham for decades. If no one else stands up, the new hams will only see and emulate him. We all have to get involved.

One final soapbox item: It is not only up to the new hams to seek us out, we need to seek them out. When a new ham does take the initiative to find one of our clubs and attend a meeting, seek them out, welcome and include them. Don't stand around in your OF cliques with your attitude of "Strangers Not Wanted." Training can't happen in a vacuum: you need students AND teachers.

OK, I'm done. :)

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10196. Motivating New Hams (was: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 20:05:47 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 10155 Message: 10196

Zack Widup wrote:
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> I remember what got me hooked on ham radio - a teacher who taught a few
> of us ham radio classes after regular school hours in 8th grade had a
> few of us up to see his station one afternoon. Even let us say a few
> words to someone in a far away place into the mic. I was completely
> fascinated. Maybe that's what we need more of. Field Day is a great way
> to introduce people to our hobby. There were several people who visited
> our site this year. I had fun explaining things to some of them.
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This is both a reply to Zack's comment above, and a bit of a rant, so after you read my reply to Zack, you might want to hit the Delete key...

Zack, I'm afraid I have to disagree with you regarding Field Day as a great way to introduce people to out hobby. Perhaps 25 or thirty years a go, when I was first licensed, that might have been true, but with the cacophony of sound coming out of the speakers today, I think that Field Day is more of a turn off to new hams than a turn-on.

Any introduction to operating for new hams should be done as a demonstration of how the hobby SHOULD be conducted, rather that the no-holds-barred dogfight we see on Field Day. I'm thinking of perhaps an evening display to a troop of Boy (or Girl) Scouts [yeah, or Guides!], or a club display at a fair or community event--especially if that event takes place on a weekend that does not coincide with a major contest.

End of reply...here begins the rant...

I draw your attention to the subject line of this post. The *initial* subject matter was a perfectly legitimate request for information, and it was, as usual, answered promptly and clearly. HOWEVER, the 'discussion' then degenerated into whether or not coinage can/should be sent via the mail [I think you'll find that the postal services of both the US and Canada frown on this practice], and then into the quality of the new recruits to our hobby, etc, etc; all without any regard to the original subject line! My second pet peeve with this particular message is that most folks did not find time to delete everything that went before. This is not only a major PITA, but is also against 'netiquette', and if I'm not mistaken, the general policy of this group.

I'm usually a pretty laid back guy, and I certainly don't start a rant at the drop of a hat, as some of my nearby friends have been known to do; and I'm certainly not as vituperative as some that I've seen here and on other lists, but every once in a while, the last straw lands, and

the camel's back is broken!

If you feel that you simply MUST reply to this, please do so directly, so as to not waste bandwidth on this list. My finger is poised over the Delete key! ;-)

There! That feels a lot better! Rant over. Thanks for your time & bandwidth.

73,

Phil Irons/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

10197. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10197

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 186 Issued at 2200Z on 05 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 04/2100Z
to 05/2100Z: Solar activity increased to low levels. Region 1024
(S27W13) produced a C2/Sf flare at 05/0713Z, as well as frequent
B-class flares. Minor changes were observed in the region since its
rapid emergence yesterday. It retained a beta magnetic structure
with some polarity mixing evident in its intermediate spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. There is also a chance for an isolated C-class flare from
Region 1024.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 04/2100Z to 05/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels throughout the forecast period (06 -
08 July).
III. Event Probabilities 06 Jul-08 Jul
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 05 Jul 072
Predicted 06 Jul-08 Jul 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 05 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 04 Jul 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 05 Jul 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 06 Jul-08 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 06 Jul-08 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10198. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #915.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-05 23:56:52 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta
Topic: 10198 Message: 10198

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network and AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network for the following DX information.

*** EDITOR'S NOTE. Hello from Tennessee, This week's OPDX Bulletin will be delayed due to an unexpected trip to visit my daughter in Murfreesboro for the holiday weekend. I "hope" to have some- thing out by late Wednesday night. Thanks for your understanding. 73 de Tedd KB8NW
-=-
Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw at barf80.nshore.org --or-- kb8nw at arrl.net
Editor of the "Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin" (OPDX - "DXer's Tool of Excellence")
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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

10199. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-06 01:20:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10155 Message: 10199

DD - yur pikkin' onna Renegade fer how he got his license!
BTW, it's "radidio"

73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
Ham radio education is in no better shape. Here in the USA some people who can't "speel" HAMM RAYDYIO can have the highest license [Extra Class] in just one day of cramming short term memory.

10200. Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-06 03:59:33 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 10155 Message: 10200

Many years ago NZ had a complete change of coins up to a dollar and then the bank notes took over up to $500. NZ never adopted a $1000 note. There have been several changes since, the latest a few years ago and we droped the 1c, 2c and 5c and the $1.00 and $2.00 notes in favour of two gold coloured coins. Many though the the world would come to an end. The treasury also shrunk the coins in size so the the 50c coin is about the same size as a US quarter.

The result has been less wear in you trouser pockets, smaller cost of making the coins and nothing selling for under 10 cents except in the supermarkets and big box stores where the till rounds up or down to the nearest 10c

The old coins were given 6 months to get out of ther sytem and they are worthless but collectors items. And speaking of that... I have an old Canadian "Shin Plaster" (20c note!) Maybe VE1AL could tell me how much they are worth :-)

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> From: wc6dx@...
> Date: Sat, 4 Jul 2009 21:08:02 -0400
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> 73 de Will WC6DX
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> Make your summer sizzle with fast and easy recipes for the grill.
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10201. Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-06 05:21:37 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 10155 Message: 10201

I believe the "shin plaster" was worth 25 cents. At least that's what my late mother used to tell me! And of course she NEVER lied!

It's probably worth 25 cents today at the bank. Perhaps more to a collector. Likely useless in a store!

Hang it on the wall and enjoy!

73,
Rick
VE7TK

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10202. Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-06 07:07:30 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 10155 Message: 10202

I have tears in my eyes when I look at it Rick as I have been away from VE3 for 40 years!!

73, Lee ZL2AL

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "ve7tk" <ve7tk@...> wrote:
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> I believe the "shin plaster" was worth 25 cents. At least that's what my late mother used to tell me! And of course she NEVER lied!
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> It's probably worth 25 cents today at the bank. Perhaps more to a collector. Likely useless in a store!
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> Hang it on the wall and enjoy!
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> 73,
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lee Jennings" <leejen@> wrote:
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10203. Re: [DX-IS] side note on qsl's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-06 18:24:44 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 10175 Message: 10203

I get a handful of NILs each year. The contact shows up in eQSL on my end but I have another call from within the same skip zone. For example I might work a VO1 and I get a request from a K1 on the same date/time/band/mode. I just uploaded 12 months of logs to eQSL and had a half dozen eCards I had to reject.

But it's certainly a bummer when it's something you really need confirmed.

73 de Bob - KØRC in MN

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 05, 2009 12:16 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] side note on qsl's

Amazinly he attached a copy of his adif file for that time period ....nothing even close........I would accept it as a busted call for it not matched..........go figure :(

Dale K8TS

BTW: I am not "banging on the op".........just can't figure

----- Original Message -----
From: "Robert Chudek - K0RC" <k0rc@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 5, 2009 9:21:13 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] side note on qsl's

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Here's one way that can happen:

After the contest the fellow generates the ADIF from his contest program, uploads to the eQSL & LoTW servers, and goes to bed.

The next day he forgets to import the contest log into his "daily" logging program. As time passes, he's less and less likely to catch the missing log.

Your QSL arrives in his mailbox. He checks his daily log. NIL. He does not make the connection.

If this was a 160m contest contact, you might suggest he also check his contest log.

73 de Bob - KØRC in MN

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Saturday, July 04, 2009 11:26 PM

Subject: [DX-IS] side note on qsl's

I did not get into reading tthe mail on the "green stamp" thread, but there was a lot of talk about bureos, lotw, directs, yada yada.....

One thing about qsling and being a member of a bureo that I have found interesting.....On occassion I will upload my log after contests to eqsl, for those who do like to use it. After uploading recently I looked at what matches might be there that really matched mine. A particual W* made a match, and I needed him real bad for 160 WAS. Took down the info, checked my log, and sent a qsl direct. Came back NIL. Wonder how we made a match?

Dale K8TS

10204. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-06 20:22:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10155 Message: 10204

Perhaps if you could scan it so I could get an idea of its condition, Lee, I will consult my coin catalogues and give you a ballpark estimate. I have a couple of them in my collection but neither of them is in great condition and are virtually worthless.

As you know, we don't have 2-cent coins in Canada, just 1-cent, 5-cent and 10-cent in the smaller denominations. There has been talk for years of getting rid of the pennies because it costs more to make them than they are worth. These days they seem to be thrown into "piggy banks" more than they are used in everyday commerce.

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Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lee Jennings
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2009 1:00 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

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Yahoo! Groups Links

10205. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-06 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10205

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 06 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 187 Issued at 2200Z on 06 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 05/2100Z
to 06/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Region 1024 (S27W26) produced
an isolated C1/Sf flare at 06/1705Z. Region 1024 showed minor decay
with loss of some intermediate spots, but retained a mix of
polarities near region center.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low with a chance for an isolated C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 05/2100Z to 06/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels during days 1 - 2 (07 - 08 July).
Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels on day
3 (09 July) due to an increase in solar wind velocities associated
with a favorably positioned coronal hole.
III. Event Probabilities 07 Jul-09 Jul
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 06 Jul 070
Predicted 07 Jul-09 Jul 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 06 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 05 Jul 004/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 06 Jul 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 07 Jul-09 Jul 005/005-005/005-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 07 Jul-09 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10206. Planned Yahoo Groups Outage: Wednesday, July 8

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 03:18:09 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10206 Message: 10206

For the information of DX IS! List members.

73, Paul VE1DX

-----Original Message-----
From: moderatorcentral@yahoogroups.com
[mailto:moderatorcentral@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of y_groups_team
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2009 3:14 PM
To: moderatorcentral@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [moderatorcentral] Planned Outage: Wednesday, July 8

On Wednesday, July 8th we will be performing scheduled maintenance on the
Yahoo! Groups databases. During this time, some of you may not be able to
access your groups, and group mail will be delayed.

Maintenance should take roughly two hours, and will begin at 1pm PT (8pm
UTC- to determine what time the outage will take place in your neighborhood,
please visit this link:
http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/converter.html).

Once the maintenance has been completed, we will update the Yahoo! Groups
blog (http://www.ygroupsblog.com).

Thanks for your patience!

Melissa Daniels
Yahoo! Community Manager

10207. Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 04:01:16 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 10155 Message: 10207

HI Alan
I was just being silly and reminiscing a bit. Don't really want to sell it of course. My Mom gave it me when I was a kid. I think it is a bit like all those things which show our "Canadian-ness" like Beavers, the maple leaf, maple syrup, ice and snow and all that stuff.

There are times when I struggle with identity having lived in two very similar, but vastly different cultures for each half of a lifetime. I guess that owning a shinplaster is part of that.

73, Lee ZL2AL

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10208. Solar activity blues...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 04:27:20 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10208 Message: 10208

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I get disappointed.

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activity Forecast, it says "Solar Activity is expected to be very
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There is always a sigh....

I can't wait till the day I read the Solar Activity Forecast and it's
says "Solar Activity is expected to be very high, there are a bunch of
spots on the sun and you'd better get out there and work some DX, 10m is
open!!"

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73, Lance - VK6DU

10209. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 11:55:19 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10155 Message: 10209

And, only one person I know ever uses them on a regular basis. ME!

DD
----- Original Message -----
From: Art Burke
To: DX-IS@...m
Sent: Sunday, July 05, 2009 8:16 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Green stamps for Canada

The U.S. currently has three (3) dollar coins:

Susan B. Anthony
Sacajawea
Presidential (don't know how many diff prez are on the coins)

Art - N4PJ

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10210. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 12:26:07 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10155 Message: 10210

AH! The old Freiden rotary mechanical calculator ... I do remember ... sigh! Chunk, chunk, chunk, ... at 15 chunkc per second ... it's a wonder it didn't swallow its gears.

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 05, 2009 10:51 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

I suspect you're right. I was first licensed in 1967. At the time, the older folks commented on the dumbing down of the exams because we no longer had to draw schematics of things on the exams. We still had to identify them and the components in them.

1967 is far enough back that you can notice a difference in things now. There are both positive and negative changes in ham radio since then. There was no internet back then and no personal computers. No calculators either - we did our work with slide rules and paper. Or if you were lucky you had one of those mechanical monster calculating machines or a hand-held Curta calculator (also mechanical - you turned a crank on top to do the calculations). [I'll bet most of those are in museums now!] So the advent of computers and advances in technology have improved things. We have radios now that can do things we didn't even dream of back in the 60's. We can design antennas on the computer and build them and they outperform what we had back then. Parts that didn't even exist in the 60's are now available and cheap for those who still build their own stuff.

But I think the hobby is now competing with the internet and other aspects of the technology for newcomers' attention. A very few see the true magic of radio. Most people who aren't hams don't get it and would rather spend their time on internet or with their X-boxes, etc. They have shorter attention spans and want exams that don't require much effort. I wonder how many people have gotten a license, think the only aspect of the hobby is 2m FM and give it up after a couple years?

I remember what got me hooked on ham radio - a teacher who taught a few of us ham radio classes after regular school hours in 8th grade had a few of us up to see his station one afternoon. Even let us say a few words to someone in a far away place into the mic. I was completely fascinated. Maybe that's what we need more of. Field Day is a great way to introduce people to our hobby. There were several people who visited our site this year. I had fun explaining things to some of them.

I think if the hobby dies it's only because we haven't continued this activity of showing people what it is and what it can do. Even in this high-tech world there's one thing you don't see every day - someone with a small dish on a tripod somewhere. I set my dish up in many locations along Lake Michicigan in Wisconsin as a rover in the 10 GHz contest for the last few years. I got quite an audience in many places. I thought it was great fun to show them what I was doing. Maybe one or two of them got their licenses. I can only hope.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Jul 5, 2009 at 6:57 AM, Deacon Dave <w1mce@...> wrote:

Dick answered your question regarding the 'quarter'. But, he ducked the comment regarding education. That's a very sore subject.

Ham radio education is in no better shape. Here in the USA some people who can't "speel" HAMM RAYDYIO can have the highest license [Extra Class] in just one day of cramming short term memory.

I used to teach Ham Radio Classes: 2 hours a night for 12 weeks to prepare for a Technician Class license. I did not teach Q&A! I taught basic theory and UNDERSTANDING! I used to insist on a basic 5 wpm CW proficiency, even though it's no longer a requirement, as a person's commitment to LEARN. [Lack of commitment leads to lack of dedication.] But, locally, getting your first license is almost guaranteed with a 4 hour Saturday morning class cramming Q&A followed by a VE session. I quit teaching!

Then, after the new licensee gets home I get a phone call asking me: "How long is a 1/2 wavelength dipole for 20 meters?" Or: "My new solid state linear just blew up! Why?" Or: "My VSWR is 1.5:1 and I can't get it down! Is that bad?"

Progressing up the ladder with a time in grade requirement does have much to recommend it. But, it doesn't sell 'raydyios'. And selling 'raydyios' has become the purpose of changing regulations!

Conclusion: Ham radio, in the USA, has been dumbed down [Lack of commitment leads to lack of dedication.] and is a dying technical interest.

DD
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Saturday, July 04, 2009 10:22 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

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10211. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 12:29:18 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10155 Message: 10211

Rene ,,, only on 10 metros is it radidios. For us real OTers, it's spark gaps and tuned MOPAs.

Now, if anyone else knows what a MOPA is without looking it up somewhere, AND you may have used it, you really do qualify as an OTer.
----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 05, 2009 9:20 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

DD - yur pikkin' onna Renegade fer how he got his license!
BTW, it's "radidio"

73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
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10212. Re: [DX-IS] Solar activity blues...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 12:29:32 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10208 Message: 10212

Yeah, it's still pretty disappointing. At least one sunspot is being seen now and then and they are stated as part of the new cycle. Where are the Palos Verdes Sundancers?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Jul 6, 2009 at 11:27 PM, Lance Martin <
lance.martin@...> wrote:

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10213. Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 12:38:03 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10155 Message: 10213

Ah ha!

You have finally come out of the closet ... a back room currency collector in addition to an HR operator.

Hmmm?? I am known to have a small collection of old USA silver [Morgan] dollars and some commemorative silver in the family safe. But, being a pensioner severely limits my available cash for toys. I only own 4 HF radios, 2 linears, 4 antenna tuners, 3 two meter radios, and a complete "antique" station [HQ-145, DX-40 and VF-1, D-104] in perfect operating condition. Gets to be a little tough to find $$$ for REAL money.

DD
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 05, 2009 10:22 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

As a Canadian who has dealt with coinage for $1 and $2 since their inception, I want to comment on two things.

In my travels, it has not been uncommon for me to collect as much as $20-25 in "change" in the run of a single day. This weighs heavily in one's pocket until it can be exchanged for bills. It is terribly inconvenient and the government, in it's wisdom, made both the "loonie" and the "twoonie" far larger and heavier than they ought to be.

Canada has also failed to produce enough 50-cent pieces for decades and while a limited number are minted annually, they are not now normally in circulation.

I have seen bills from some European countries which appear to be super-laminated and I suspect these would outlast the normal paper currency by several years.

It would certainly make it easier for Canadians to send cash with QSL requests if we had bills instead of a sickly coloured $1 coin and a ridiculously large and heavy and not attractive $2 coin.

And to top it off, I am particularly pleased when a "foreign" ham sends me a Canadian $1 bill with a QSL request. And the better the condition of the bill, the broader the smile on my face.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Deacon Dave
Sent: Sunday, July 05, 2009 9:05 AM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Green stamps for Canada

The USA government has much data to support the action of coinage. The service life of a coin can reach 50+ years, and is much less costly to produce. The service life of a GS is measured in terms of a few years and is more costly to produce. It makes great government cost saving sense to issue and USE coins. I use the various $1 coins at all my local merchants.
But government cost savings is anathema to government vested interest.

Canada got it right! A $1 and $2 coin makes lots of fiscal sense. Every week I pick up $25 in coins, one roll, and put the coins into circulation. ... OK I'm weird!

BTW: in USA history there was a great debate in the 1910s and 1920s regarding converting from coinage to paper money .. just a historical note.

DD

Original text suppressed to save bandwidth ... going GREEN :-)

10214. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 20:19:46 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10155 Message: 10214

Good grief, no, Lee. I thought you might be interested in knowing what the piece of paper is worth on the market today! I had no intention of trying to pry it away from you, hi!

The offer stands.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lee Jennings
Sent: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 1:01 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Green stamps for Canada and NZ Coins

HI Alan
I was just being silly and reminiscing a bit. Don't really want to sell it of course. My Mom gave it me when I was a kid. I think it is a bit like all those things which show our "Canadian-ness" like Beavers, the maple leaf, maple syrup, ice and snow and all that stuff.

There are times when I struggle with identity having lived in two very similar, but vastly different cultures for each half of a lifetime. I guess that owning a shinplaster is part of that.

73, Lee ZL2AL

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>
> Perhaps if you could scan it so I could get an idea of its condition,
> Lee, I will consult my coin catalogues and give you a ballpark
> estimate. I have a couple of them in my collection but neither of
> them is in great condition and are virtually worthless.
>
> As you know, we don't have 2-cent coins in Canada, just 1-cent, 5-cent
> and 10-cent in the smaller denominations. There has been talk for
> years of getting rid of the pennies because it costs more to make them
> than they are worth. These days they seem to be thrown into "piggy
> banks" more than they are used in everyday commerce.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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Yahoo! Groups Links

10215. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 21:13:04 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10145 Message: 10215

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From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 03, 2009 7:41 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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Gary - AB9M

From: Frosty
Sent: Wednesday, July 01, 2009 1:56 PM
To: Carl Smith ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; Dxpeditions
Subject: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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10216. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 22:02:21 UTC
From: Brian
Topic: 10145 Message: 10216

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> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Friday, July 03, 2009 7:41 AM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P
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> Gary - AB9M
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> *From:* Frosty <mailto:frosty1@...>
> *Sent:* Wednesday, July 01, 2009 1:56 PM
> *To:* Carl Smith <mailto:dxadmin@...> ;
> DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> ; Dxpeditions
> <mailto:dxpedition@...>
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10217. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 22:11:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10217

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 07 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 188 Issued at 2200Z on 07 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 06/2100Z
to 07/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No x-ray flares were
observed during the past 24 hours. Region 1024 (S27W39) continued
to decay and activity from the region was significantly reduced.
The remainder of the disk was quiet and stable.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low with a slight chance for an isolated C-flare from Region
1024.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 06/2100Z to 07/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on day one (8 July). An increase to quiet to
unsettled is expected for day two (9 July) due to possible coronal
hole effects. Conditions should be predominately quiet for day
three (10 July).
III. Event Probabilities 08 Jul-10 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 07 Jul 071
Predicted 08 Jul-10 Jul 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 07 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 06 Jul 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Jul 004/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Jul-10 Jul 005/005-007/008-005/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Jul-10 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/05
Minor storm 01/05/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10218. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 22:13:36 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10145 Message: 10218

Good question Brian,
I don't have PSK63 or 125 on my laptop. That is why I don't use it.
Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: Brian
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 5:02 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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10219. Re: Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 22:33:50 UTC
From: Bill ZL3NB
Topic: 10145 Message: 10219

While agreeing with Cookie (Brian) that it would be nice to see some PSK63/125 on a Dxpedition I also have to say it should not be a priority as many operators on PSK do not have a basic clue as to working a Dxpedition and vice versa in some cases as most will use simplex and naturally as we all know....its just one big mess then. Besides RTTY is the main digi mode and most of us know what the protocol is with spreading out etc and its easier on the Dx station to control. For Dxcc purposes if you work it on RTTY why bother with the other digi modes.

But then again whatever turns you on...Thats ham radio!

73 de Bill ZL3NB

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@...> wrote:
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10220. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-07 22:40:13 UTC
From: Brian
Topic: 10145 Message: 10220

Thanks for that Frosty, good answer ;-)
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10221. RE: [DX-IS] Solar activity blues...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-08 03:27:17 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10208 Message: 10221

Indeed!

Had a clear shot at TO8YY this morning on 20m RTTY, he was even calling CQ, but alas....

Oh well, who's going there next? I still need FJ on SSB and RTTY!

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Tuesday, 7 July 2009 8:30 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Solar activity blues...

Yeah, it's still pretty disappointing. At least one sunspot is being seen now and then and they are stated as part of the new cycle. Where are the Palos Verdes Sundancers?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Jul 6, 2009 at 11:27 PM, Lance Martin <lance.martin@...> wrote:

Hi Guys,

Every time I read the report from the 'Space Weather Prediction Centre' I get disappointed.

There seems to be signs of activity on the sun but when I read Solar activity Forecast, it says "Solar Activity is expected to be very low..."

There is always a sigh....

I can't wait till the day I read the Solar Activity Forecast and it's says "Solar Activity is expected to be very high, there are a bunch of spots on the sun and you'd better get out there and work some DX, 10m is open!!"

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73, Lance - VK6DU

10222. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-08 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10222

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 08 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 189 Issued at 2200Z on 08 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 07/2100Z
to 08/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1024 (S25W52)
produced four B-class flares during the past 24 hours. The region
underwent minor changes and is currently an E type sunspot group
with a simple beta magnetic configuration.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low with a slight chance for an isolated C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 07/2100Z to 08/2100Z:
Geomagnetic activity was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled for day one (9 July) due to
possible coronal hole effects. Activity is expected to return to
quiet levels on day two (10 July). Activity is expected to be quiet
to unsettled on day three (11 July), also due to possible coronal
hole effects.
III. Event Probabilities 09 Jul-11 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 08 Jul 071
Predicted 09 Jul-11 Jul 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 08 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 07 Jul 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 08 Jul 006/006
Predicted Afr/Ap 09 Jul-11 Jul 007/008-005/007-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Jul-11 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/10
Minor storm 05/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10223. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 13:20:28 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 10145 Message: 10223

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From: Frosty
Sent: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 4:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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Sent: Friday, July 03, 2009 7:41 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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Gary - AB9M

From: Frosty
Sent: Wednesday, July 01, 2009 1:56 PM
To: Carl Smith ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; Dxpeditions
Subject: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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10224. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 13:23:40 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 10145 Message: 10224

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From: Bill ZL3NB
Sent: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 5:33 PM
To: DX-IS@...m
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

While agreeing with Cookie (Brian) that it would be nice to see some PSK63/125 on a Dxpedition I also have to say it should not be a priority as many operators on PSK do not have a basic clue as to working a Dxpedition and vice versa in some cases as most will use simplex and naturally as we all know....its just one big mess then. Besides RTTY is the main digi mode and most of us know what the protocol is with spreading out etc and its easier on the Dx station to control. For Dxcc purposes if you work it on RTTY why bother with the other digi modes.

But then again whatever turns you on...Thats ham radio!

73 de Bill ZL3NB

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@...> wrote:
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> Good question Brian,
> I don't have PSK63 or 125 on my laptop. That is why I don't use it.
> Charles F. Frost
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> ----- Original Message -----
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 5:02 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P
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> Wonder why some of these guys don't use PSK63 or 125....????
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10225. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 14:21:24 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10145 Message: 10225
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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73 de Brian/K3KO

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 14:24:28 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10145 Message: 10226

Very true Gary,
We will do some PSK31 and some Rtty from 7P8 since there will be 5 of us on the air almost all the time. There will be logs put on line while we are there also. They can be found at
www.tdxs.net and or www.tdxs.net/7p8.html also info on my web page www.africandxsafari.com

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From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
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Cc: Craig Thompson ; Don Greenbaum
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: 7P

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10227. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 14:29:08 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10145 Message: 10227

Brian how about a model 19 machine.
What I did in 3DA0CF was to work simplex
and make a quick list of at least 10 calling me
and then when someone started the brag crap I wentand called the next one on my list. I might try split but as you have said it will clutter up the band fast. Also We found that if someone is on 20cw no way to do PSK at the same time on same band.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 16:18:22 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 10145 Message: 10228

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10229. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 20:48:22 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10145 Message: 10229
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10230. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 21:11:57 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10145 Message: 10230

How correct you are Brian,
In Swaziland I was running at least 200 watts that was how I just powered over the brag tapes.
Ur 599 over

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Frosty
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10231. ARLD027 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 21:44:10 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5090 Message: 10231

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ARLD027 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 27 ARLD027
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 9, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD027 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by N1KI, N4EO, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0. Alain, F5LMJ, will be QRV from July 11 to 24. He plans to work as HB0/F5LMJ/p in CW and digital modes during his evening and early morning hours. QSL via F5LMJ, bureau or LoTW.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Bill, W5SJ, will be active as VP2MSJ from July 14 to 21. He can use the shack of VP2MDD and will take part in the CQWW VHF Contest but will also be on the other bands, especially 30 and 60 meters. QSL via W5JAY.

CUBA, CO. The Cuba DX Group (GDXC) will activate the call sign T40C during the upcoming IARU HF World Championship 2009 as a multi/single, mixed mode entry. QSL via N1KI.

TIMOR-LESTE, 4W. Chris, 4W6FR, is QRV as time permits. Look for him on 20 and 17 meters using PSK. Most of his activity takes place between 0900 and 1300z. QSL via VK4FW, direct or the OQRS at //www.odxg.org

TOGO, 5V. Franco, I1FQH, will be active as 5V7PRF between July 22 and 30. This will be a very light DXpedition with activity on 80 through 10 meters using mostly CW and some SSB. QSL via I1FQH, LoTW, eQSL or the bureau.

SOUTH KOREA, HL. Jerry, N4EO, will be QRV as HL9EO from Yongsan Barracks through mid-September as his work duties permit. Look for him on 20 meters and higher with a concentration on CW and PSK. QSL direct to N4EO.

ST. LUCIA, J6. WB4WXE (V26HS), will be QRV as J6/WB4WXE from July 10 to 20. Look for him mostly on 6 meters running 350 watts into a 6 element beam. When there is no activity, or propagation on 50 MHz, he'll try 17 meters and possibly some other HF bands. QSL via WB4WXE.

CROATIA, 9A. Zik, VE3ZIK (DO7ZZ), will be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice between July 2 and August 3. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest from IOTA group EU-170. QSL via DO7ZZ, direct or bureau.

URUGUAY, CX. The members of the Radio Club Uruguayo will be active as CX1AA during the IARU CONTEST. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW and SSB with two stations on each band, one station on CW and the another on SSB. QSL via W3HNK.

MOBILE TOUR, Europe. Jurij, MM0DFV, started a 7000 km mobile tour on July 7. The route is: Scotland (MM0DFV/m), England (M0DFV/m), France F/MM0DFV/m), Belgium (ON/MM0DFV/m), Germany (DL/MM0DFV/m), Poland (SP/MM0DFV/m), Belarus (call sign yet unknown, Russia (call sign yet unknown), Kazakhstan, (call sign yet unknown). His emphasis will be on PSK. Separate QSLs for each location will be printed.

ARUBA, P4. Operators Bob, W3BTX (P49T) and Roy, W3TEF (P4/W3TEF) will activate P41USA over the anniversary date of the attacks on the USA on September 11, 2001. Look for activity on all bands between September 8 and 17, including the September VHF Contest. QSL via W3TEF.

MALDIVES, 8Q7. IK2AHG, Davide, is QRV through July 19 mostly on CW as 8Q7DI from Maayafushi Island, (AS-013). QSL via I8ACB. Pierre, 8Q7QQ, home call HB9QQ, is active until July 11. He looks for Sporadic E and EME contacts on 50183 kHz, JT65A mode (first period) at his moonrise and moonset. He is also active on 30, 17 and 12 meters. QSL to home call.

ISLE OF MAN, MD. A team of German ops will be QRV until July 13. Look for MD/DK1SG, MD/DG7SF, MD/DH1SBB, MD/DG1SBU, MD/DG3SHD, MD/DG5SBK, MD/DL1SPH, MD/DL8SAD, MD/DC5SAN and MD/DL6SBN to be QRV on 160 through 10 meters using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. During the IARU Contest they will use special call MD9Y. The operators will be QRV on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSLs for MD9Y should go via GD3YUM. QSL all others via their home calls.

INDONESIA, YC0. Hotang, YC0IEM, will be active as YC0IEM/9 from Bali (OC-022) until July 27. QSL via IZ8CCW.

CANADA, VE. Gregg, VE3ZZ and Noel, VE2BR will be QRV from Prince Edward Island from July 15 to 27 using the VY2TT superstation and signing VE3ZZ/VY2 and VE2BR/VY2. They will be active as VY2Z during the IOTA contest. QSL to home calls, direct or via the bureau.

MADEIRA ISLAND, CT3. CT9/DK7TM, CT9/DB2TR, CT9/DL1CW, CT9/DL1SBF and CT9/DL3ZH will be active using CW, SSB and RTTY from July 10 to 15. They also plan to take part in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL cards should be sent via the bureau to their home calls.

ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. FP/K9OT and FP/KB9LIE will be QRV on 160 through 10 meters from July 10 to 18, using CW and SSB, including an entry in the IARU Contest. QSL to home calls via the bureau or LoTW.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The IARU HF World Championship, FISTS Summer Sprint and QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew are on tap for this weekend. Please see July QST, page 76 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10232. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-09 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10232

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 09 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 190 Issued at 2200Z on 09 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 08/2100Z
to 09/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. Region 1024 (S09W65) was quiet and stable as it
approached the west limb.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 08/2100Z to 09/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet. Solar wind started to
increase at approximately 1700Z due to coronal hole effects. This
resulted in an unsettled period for 1800Z to 2100Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected be quiet on day one (10 July). Day two (11 July) is
expected to be quiet to unsettled due to possible coronal hole
effects. Day three (12 July) is expected to be quiet.
III. Event Probabilities 10 Jul-12 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 09 Jul 069
Predicted 10 Jul-12 Jul 069/069/068
90 Day Mean 09 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 08 Jul 003/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 09 Jul 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 10 Jul-12 Jul 005/005-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 10 Jul-12 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/05
Minor storm 01/05/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10233. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-10 13:16:51 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber
Topic: 10145 Message: 10233

Hi Brian,

Well I believe the "standard" PSK-31 power level is more like 30 Watts out of the transmitter.... Yes strong signals do cause AGC compression and its fairly easy to see on the waterfall who has the overpowering and over-modulated signals. I also believe that some of these problems can be solved with a transmit frequency split up or down 5 KHz which would put the strong signals outside the normal PSK-31 passband and let the DXpedition focus only on stations calling them.

With 344 Mixed on the wall, PSK-31 used with the DXLab Suite has provided me with lots of fun finding good DX. With my hearing impairments decoding CW and SSB it has become a bit more difficult to work a pile-up or work through it. Once I worked through the initial learning curve of using PSK-31, I found that many SSB or CW DXing techniques will also work in the Digital modes. But don't tell anyone.... it means less competition in the DX-pedition pile-up!

73 es DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Brian Alsop
Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2009 3:48 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Fw: 7P

Hi Gary,

There is another issue. It seems the PSK groupies think that nobody should run more than 5 w to a wet noodle antenna. Plus they expect to operate with a 2- 3KHz passband without any AGC capture by other strong stations.

How do you think they will feel with a several dozen KW's with beams calling the rare one?

I know the stations calling the VU4 DXpedition on PSK were not using 5 watts.

73 de Brian/K3KO

CSM(r) Gary Huber wrote:

>Obviously if DXpeditions say "No PSK-31" there won't be any "invasion". On the other hand if we could get some DX operations to set down the same standard as used in their phone and CW operations there would be absolutely NO problems (tongue firmly planted in cheek). The reality is the mode isn't the problem, but inexperienced / over aggressive operators are. Using stations heard screens as well as the DXLab Suite for station control could provide reasonable rates even in marginal propagation conditions. I've been using PSK-31 for

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10234. [425ENG] 425 DX News #949

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-10 16:03:47 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10234 Message: 10234

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No 949
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5V - Franco, I1FQH will be active as 5V7PRF from Togo on 22-31 July.He plans to operate mostly CW with some SSB on 80-10 metres, running 100 watts to a Spiderbeam for 15, 17 and 20 metres, verticals and wires for the other bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to LoTW and eQSL.cc; updates will be posted to http://twitter.com/i1fqh [TNX I1FQH]
5Z - Bob, K4UEE will be in Kenya on 10-17 July doing short term mission work (http://www.410bridge.org) in the village of Kwambekenya, located about 3-4 hours north of Nairobi. He is involved in several different projects including a video project and demonstrating amateur radio in the local high school. Bob hopes to be QRV for some DXing in the late evenings and early mornings local time. [TNX K4UEE]
7P - Pista/HA5AO (7P8AO), Frosty/K5LBU (7P8CF), Laurent/W0MM (7P8MM), John/9M6XRO (7P8OK) and Ben/DJ0YI (7P8YI) will be active from Lesotho from 29 July to 13 August. They will have two stations QRV all the time, and a third station might be on for PSK and RTTY. Activity will be on all bands, with a serious effort on 160 and 80 metres. QSL 7P8OK via M0URX, others via home calls. The web page for the expedition can be found on the Texas DX Society's site (http://www.tdxs.net/)[TNX K5LBU]
8Q - Davide, IK2AHG is active as 8Q7DI from Maayafushi, Maldives (AS-013) until 13 July. He operates holiday style mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via I8ACB. [TNX IK2AHG]
9A - Look for 9A6NL (Laci, HA6NL), 9A/HA6PS (Zsolt), 9A/HA7JJS (Al) and 9A/HA7PL (Laci) to be active from Pasman Island (EU-170) on 20-29 July, IOTA Contest included. Before and after the contest they will operate CW, SSB nad digital modes on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
9Y - The Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Radio Society (TTARS) will be QRV during the IARU HF World Championship as 9Y4HQ [425DXN 948]. Activity on 10-80 metres CW and 40 metres SSB will come from the QTH of 9Y4W on Tobago (SA-009), while the rest of SSB operations

will takle place from the QTH of 9Y4D on Trinidad (SA-011). [TNX
The Daily DX]
CE0Z - The November-December XR0ZN expedition to Juan Fernandez [425DXN
937] has been postponed and it is now expected to take place in
March-April 2010. Updates at www.la6fja.eu/dx/XR0ZN/
CT7 - The Algarve Star DX Team will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-6
metres as CS28MCF on 13-19 July for the 28th International
Motorcycle Rally in Faro. QSL via CT1EHX. [TNX CT1END]
CT8 - Hermann, CT3FN (HB9CRV) and several other operators will be active
as CR2F from Ribeirinha lighthouse on Faial Island (EU-175),
Azores between 18 July and 1 August. They will operate CW, SSB and
RTTY on 80-6 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest as
CR2W. QSL for both callsigns via CT1GFK, direct or bureau. The
webiste for the operation is at http://www.to-mk.com/neu/ [TNX
VA3RJ]
DL - Andy, DL7AT will be active as DL7AT/m from Norderney Island
(EU-047) on 17-24 July. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX
www.rsgbiota.org]
EA - Luis, EA1NT will participate in the IOTA Contest as AO1I from
Lobeira Grande (EU-077). He will operate SSB only with an
amplifier and a vertical antenna. QSL via EA1NT, direct or bureau.
[TNX EA1NT]
ES - Juri, ES5GP will be active as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island (EU-178)
from 29 July to 9 August. He will operate SSB and PSK on all
bands. QSL via home call. [TNX ES1QD]
F - The Radio Club du Vaucluse will activate special event callsign
TM1MV on 11-25 July for the arrival of this year's Tour de France
(http://www.letour.fr/indexus.html) at Mount Ventoux. The cyclists
will climb the mountain during the 20th stage, on 25 July. QSL via
F5KPO. [TNX F8REF]
FH - Willi, DJ7RJ has received the call TO7RJ to be used from Mayotte
(AF-027) from 22 September trhough 21 October. He will be leaving
the island on 25 October, so he will be active as FH/DJ7RJ during
the last days. Expect Will to operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres,
and perhaps 6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX AA1M]
FP - Tim, M0TDG, and Martin, G3ZAY plan to be active from Miquelon
(NA-032) as FP/homecall on 24-27 September. They will operate CW
and SSB; low band operation will depend on equipment availability
(and airline baggage limits). QSL via home calls. Martin will also
try to activate McNutt's Island (VE1, NA-126) on 29 September.
[TNX G3ZAY]
G - Once again the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) will be
represented by GB7HQ in the IARU HF World Championship. Expect a
large group of operators to be active from two separate DXCC
entities (England and Scotland) on all the HF contest bands on
both CW and SSB. To assist in making contacts, when you contact
one operator he can give you the frequency of the next GB7HQ
station to work. QSL via G3TXF (direct, bureau and LOTW). Further
information, including the awards programme for contacting GB7HQ
on various bands/modes, can be found at http://www.gb7hq.com [TNX

G4IRN]
G - John, M0XIG and Tony, 2E0SBS will operate special event station GB1TT on 16-18 July from the site of the optical telegraph at Toothill, Hampshire (England). The Toothill Shutter Telegraph was one of a number that operated as a communication link for the British Admiralty between London and Plymouth. QSL via M0XIG, direct or bureau.
G - "Sky Sheppey 2009" celebrates 100 years of British Aviation and the part played by the pioneers of early flying and the armed services over those years on the Isle of Sheppey (EU-005). Special event station GB100SS will be active from Eastchurch on 25-27 July, IOTA Contest included. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX F5NQL]
GD - MD/DC5SAN, MD/DG1SBU, MD/DG3SHD, MD/DG5SBK, MD/DG7SF, MD/DH1SBB, MD/DK1SG, MD/DL1SPH, MD/DL6SBN and MD/DL8SAD are active from the Isle of Man (EU-116) until 13 July. QSL via home calls. They will use special callsign MD9Y during the IARU HF World Championship (QSL direct to GD3YUM). [TNX DXNL]
HS - A large group of operators from the HS DX Association will participate in the IOTA Contest as HS0AC/p from Si Chang Island (AS-107). QSL via HS0ZFZ. [TNX NG3K]
I - Paolo, IK2MLS will be active as IA5/IK2MLS from Elba Island (EU-028, IIA LI-002) on 3-8 August. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres as well as on the VHF bands. [TNX IK2MLS]
IS0 - Joe, IS0MKX and other 14 operators (I1BUP, I1ZB, I5OYY, IK5EKB, IK5RUN, IS0BMU, IS0EUJ, IS0IGV, IS0JMA, IS0KEB, IS0UMP, IS0ZOD, IW5ELA and IZ1DNJ) will be active as IM0M from Asinara Island (EU-165, IIA SS-061) on 22-26 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. They will have five stations active on the HF, VHF and UHF bands, SSB, CW and FM. QSL via IS0MKX, direct or bureau. The web istes for the operation are at http://www.mdxc.org/im0m and http://digilander.libero.it/assoradiomarinai/asinara/home.htm [TNX I1BUP]
IS0 - A group of operators from the Sardinia QRP Club will be active as IQ0QP from Quirra Island (EU-165, IIA CA-009) on 23 August, from about 7 UTC to 16 UTC. They will operate SSB and CW on +/- 7021, 7031, 7091, 10105.5, 10115.5, 14031, 14061 and 14321 kHz. QSL direct (see qrz.com). [TNX IS0VSU]
J6 - Howard, WB4WXE will be active as J6/WB4WXE from St. Lucia (NA-108) on 10-20 July. He will concentrate on 6 metres, with some activity on 17 metres and possibly some other HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]
JA - Look for JA6VDB/6 and JE6AQP/6 to be active from the islands of Nozaki and Ojika, in the Goto Islands group (AS-040), Nagasaki prefecture on 8-12 August. They plan to operate CW and SSB on 40-15 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR+
LA - Chris, OE9ICI will be active as LA/OE9ICI from Hitra Island (EU-036) from 19 July to 1 August, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

OH - Ian, G4FSU will be active again as OH/G4FSU from Emsalo Island (EU-097) from 21 July to 16 August, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
ON - Celebrating the 65th anniversary of the liberation of Rijkevorsel by the British 49th Infantry Division (the so-called "Polar Bears"), club station ON4NOK will operate special callsign ON65POL on 18-27 September. QSL via ON7YX, direct or bureau. [TNX ON6UQ]
OZ - Look for OZ/DL2JRM/p (CW) and OZ/DO6XX/p (SSB) to be active on 80-10 metres from Vendsyssel-Thy (EU-171) from 18 July to 1 August. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PA - The Netherlands' national society (VERON) will be represented by PA6HQ in the IARU HF World Championship. There will be twelve stations on the air during the entire contest, CW and SSB on each band. The 2009 PA6HQ signals will come from the stations of PI4CC, PI4ZI, PI4DX, PA3GCV, PI4D and PI4COM. QSL via PA3CAL. A special award is available for working PA6HQ on six bands; details che be found at http://pa6hq.veron.nl [TNX PA1AW]
PY - PY5BH, PY5DC, PY5DJ, PY5FO and PY5IN will participate in the IOTA Contest as PR5D from Ilha do Mel (SA-047). QSL via PY5DC. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PY - Alex, PY2WAS reports he will be active as PX8W from the rarest Brazilian State of Amapa on 1-2 August. He will operate CW and SSB on 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40 and 80 metres. QSL via PY2WAS, direct or bureau.
SM - Kjell, SM4DDS will once again be active as 7S5A from Boko Island/Stora Alo (EU-177) on 12-16 July. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 10-80 metres. QSL via SM4DDS, direct or bureau. [TNX SM4DDS]
SM - Anders, SM5EFX will be active as SM5EFX/2 from Ledskar Island (EU-135) on 19-31 July. He will participate in the IOTA Contest as SF2X. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
SM - Eric, SM1TDE will participate in the IOTA Contest as SA1A from his home QTH on Gotland Island (EU-020). Expect him to operate CW only on all bands. QSL via SM1TDE, bureau preferred. [TNX SM1TDE]
SP - Mek, SP7VC and Adam, DJ0IF will participate in the IOTA Contest as SP7VC/1 and SP8RX/1 from Wolin Island (EU-132). QSl via home calls. [TNX DJ0IF]
SV - Steffen, DM3CW will be active holiday style as J48AL from Aigina Island (EU-075) from 21 July to 3 August. He will operate CW only using 100 watts into wire antennas. QSL via DM3CW, bureau preferred. [TNX DM3CW]
SV5 - Ermanno, IK2WZD will be active again on SSB and digital modes as SV0XAN/5 from the islands of Lipsi, Agathonisi and Arkoi (Dodecanese, EU-001) from now until 10 October. QSL via IK2WZD. [TNX IZ2ABN]
TK - Lee, F5MUX will be active as TK5UX from Petreto Bicchisano, Corsica (EU-014) on 12-26 July. For the time being he will operate barefoot on 40-10 metres with a vertical antenna. He prefers CW, but he also operates RTTY. QSL via F5MUX. [TNX F5MUX]

UA - In preparation of next year's World Radiosport Team Championship, four Russian teams (R31WRTC, R32WRTC, R38WRTC and R39WRTC) will participate in the IARU HF World Championship. They will operate field-day from WRTC-2010 locations and with WRTC-2010 set-ups. QSL via bureau. [TNX NG3K]
UA - RU3YA, RV3YR, UA3YA, UA3YCX and UA3YY will operate SSB, CW and digital modes as homecall/p from Kotelny Island in river Desna (not IOTA, RII-32-02) on 24-26 July. QSL via home calls. Information on the Russian Internal Islands Award can be found at http://robinsons.ru/index/0-6 [TNX RV3YR]
VE - Celebrating the 40th anniversary of the landing of men on the moon (20 July 1969), special event callsign VE3MOON will be in use on 14-27 July. QSL via VE3OIJ, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
VK9N - Tommy, VK2IR will be active as VK9IR from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 19-22 July. He is the team leader of VK9NI [425DXN 947], and will operate while setting up before the team arrives. QSL VK9IR via VK2IR, direct only. [TNX NG3K]
VP2M - Bill, W5SJ will be active as VP2MSJ from Montserrat (NA-103) on 14-21 July. His primary band will be 6m, and he will participate in the CQ WW VHF Contest (18-19 July), but he also plans to operate on the other bands, especially 30 and 60 metres. QSL via W5JAY. [TNX W5SJ]
W - The North Carolina Contesters Club (NR3X) will be active again as N4A from the South Core Banks (NA-067) on 22-27 July, IOTA Contest included. This year's operators will be Barry/K4CZ, Dan/N3ND, Nate/N4YDU, Jack/W0UCE and Keith/W4KAZ. QSL direct to N4YDU. The webpage for the operation is at http://w4kaz.com/n4a/ [TNX VA3RJ]
YB - Hotang, YC0IEM will operate as YC0IEM/9 from Bali Island (OC-022) on 9-27 July. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ8CCW]
YO - YR0HQ will represent the Federatia Romana de Radioamatorism (FRR) during the IARU HF World Championship. A certificate will be issued free of charge for station 12, 9, 6 or 3 QSOs with the HQ station. Please visit http://www.hamradio.ro/ or e-mail yo3apj@... for the details. [TNX YO3APJ]
ZP - Special event station ZP15MWC will be active on 12-19 July from Asuncion, Paraguay to celebrate the 15th Mennonite World Conference Assembly. QSL direct to PA0HEL. [TNX VA3RJ]

IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ---> This year's event (rules can be found at http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2009/iaru.html) will run from 12 UTC on 11 July through 12 UTC on the 12th. The following IARU Member Society HQ stations are expected or supposed to participate (also give a look at the list maintained by Bernie, W3UR on www.dailydx.com/iaru-09.htm):

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AT1HQ India ARSI
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OP0HQ Belgium UBA
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PA6HQ The Netherlands VERON
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SK9HQ Sweden SSA
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SX0HQ Greece RAAG

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Z30HQ Macedonia RSM
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5Z4/RW1AU ---> Valery, 5Z4/RW1AU, is now QRT from Nairobi, and is back home in St. Petersburg. His work assignment spanned almost one year, from August 2008 through June 2009. During that period, Val used the 5Z4RS club station in Nairobi as time allowed between work responsibilities to make almost 12,000 QSOs on 40-10 metres, using both CW & SSB. His logs have been uploaded to LoTW. Paper QSL to either RW1AU (direct and bureau) or K5XK. [TNX K5XK]

E51SC ---> The Daily DX reports that Nigel, E51SC (G4KIU) has had to leave Rarotonga, South Cook Islands [425DXN 943] and return to England for family reasons. All of the QSOs (about 600) he made during his stay have been uploaded to LoTW.

HV5PUL ---> A video of the early June activity from HV5PUL is available at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuRbBc4GyP0 [TNX IZ2LSC]

INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE LIGHTSHIP WEEK ---> The highly popular annual Lighthouse Weekend has been extended to a full week, including two on-going activities: the ILLW Special Event (1-9 August) and the ILLW QSO Party Contest (1-2 and 8-9 August). Complete information can be found at http://ialhp.org/

LOGS ---> The TZ6EI web page (http://www.w0sd.com/mali/mali.htm) now has post DXpedition information (statistics, distances, pictures, etc.), as well as the link to the on-line logs (6 metres only). This was primarily a 6m DXpedition (546 unique calls), but TZ6EI also worked on the HF bands (over 1000 uniques on RTTY). [TNX W0SD]

QSL EK6LP ---> Antonello, IK2DUW reports that effective 1 July he is no longer the QSL manager for EK6LP. He can still confirm QSOs made through 30 June 2009; cards for contacts made after that date should be sent direct to Aram R. Manvelyan, P.O. Box 47, 3102 Gyumri, Armenia.

QSL ST2R ---> Those who still need a card for ST2R (January-April 2007) can request it by e-mail (s57dx@...) and get it through the bureau.
Direct cards should be sent to Slavko Celarc, Ob Igriscu 8, 1360 Vrhnika, Slovenia (return postage is USD 2 ore EUR 1). [TNX S57DX]

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10236. ARLP028 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-10 18:52:23 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5171 Message: 10236

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP028
ARLP028 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP28
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 28 ARLP028
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA July 10, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP028
ARLP028 Propagation de K7RA

Finally, some sunspot activity to report, and not one of those phantom spots, appearing one day and vanishing the next. Sunspot group 1024 first emerged a week ago, on July 3, 2009, with a daily sunspot number of 17, and the magnetic signature of a new cycle 24 spot. Over the next few days it grew more rapidly and became larger than any sunspot group in the past two years. Today, July 10, it should pass over the sun's western limb, and disappear. Our numbers at the bottom of the bulletin go through Wednesday, July 8, and on Thursday the sunspot number was 15.

Look at the table at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt and notice the sunspot area, in millionths of a solar hemisphere. You can see the size increased rapidly, backed off a bit on July 6, then has increased continually since then, at least through July 9.

You can see a detailed daily progression of the sunspot area at http://www.solarmonitor.org/slideshow.php?date=20090703. If you see no image, just refresh your browser, or hit the F5 key. You should see images at different times on July 3, from different observatories, gradually stepping through. The images look distinctive based on what part of the electromagnetic spectrum a particular observatory is imaging.

Now change the end of the URL in the web address window from date=20090703 to date=20090704, and hit enter. You should see images from July 4. Keep stepping through subsequent dates, and you will see the active region progress toward the sun's western limb, which is to the right.

Last week's bulletin had a report from Brian Smith, W9IND, who said the W9VW six-meter beacon in Indianapolis got a listener report from France. This week at 2227z on July 6, it was copied S3 by CU2JT in the Azores (HM77). The beacon runs 8 watts.

We've had some interesting comments in past bulletins from Dave Greer, N4KZ of Franklin, Kentucky, over half about six meters. Check bulletins 21 and 23 in 2005, 1 and 24 in 2006, and 32 and 33 in 2008. You'll find these at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/, then click on ''Show older bulletins''.

Dave shares more interesting comments with us in this bulletin.

''All 6-meter operators know just how fickle the band can be -- particularly during a multi-hop E-skip opening. A station just a few miles from another might not hear the rare DX being worked by the other. But I had the opposite occur one recent evening when I worked California and Ireland within 5 minutes of one another. I don't recall ever experiencing multi-hop E-skip in two opposite directions before''.

''It began at 2350 UTC on June 26 when I heard and called KR6Z in DM14 who had a strong signal here in north-central Kentucky, EM78. We chatted for 10 minutes and signed. My friend, Tim, N4GN, over in Louisville, 40 miles west of my Frankfort QTH, called and said to turn my beam toward Europe because he had just worked Ireland''.

''I took his advice and put EI7IX, grid IO53, in my log at 0003 UTC with a SSB contact. He was 57 here. Then I tuned down the band and got on CW where I heard EI2IP in IO61 calling CQ. He came back and I had my second Irish station in the log and thus completed working from the West Coast of North America to Western Europe all in a 5-minute span. Amazing. I don't think I had ever experienced anything like that in 25 years of 6-meter operating''.

''Others might disagree with me but it seems that the multi-hop E-skip has been quite consistent this year -- day after day after day. Of course, I'm at work from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and miss out on a lot of good stuff but have still managed to put three new entities in the log this summer -- Sardinia, St. Kitts and Grenada. Of course, some real good -- and potentially new ones -- got away, including D44TD, heard at my QTH for 2 minutes before fading out, OD5KU, who I could just barely hear about the noise at mid-morning on June 27 and an EA6 who never heard me frantically answering his CW CQ. But I have put a dozen EA8 stations in the log this summer, plus Italy, France and Spain, not to mention numerous Caribbean QSOs and a strong YV station. On a recent evening, K6MIO/KH6 was copied in Louisville by N4GN but his signal never made it the extra 40 miles east to Frankfort''.

''I have begun reading a bit more about these so-called noctilucent clouds and the role they might play in sporadic-E. Fascinating stuff. First observed after the huge Krakatoa volcanic eruption in 1883 in present-day Indonesia, it was originally thought they were caused by volcanic debris spewed into the upper atmosphere. Now, the more common theory is the debris that helps the clouds form is dust from meteor showers. But I can't help but wonder, and speculate, if the Sarychev Peak volcanic eruption in Russia a couple

weeks ago hasn't somehow contributed to this E-skip season by dumping more debris in the atmosphere -- enough anyway for people worldwide to report some very colorful sunsets recently. Just food for thought''.

Thanks, Dave.

In other 6-meter news, Ted Saba, KN5O of Covington, Louisiana (EM40) worked KL7RA, Richard Strand of Kenai, Alaska (BP40) on 6-meter CW on June 30 at 18:50z with 559 reports both ways. Their signals covered a distance of over 3,400 miles.

Jon Jones, N0JK of Kansas has a six meter report from late June. He reports excellent E-skip on June 23 1415-1700z, 25 at 1408-1500z and July 2 1417-1600z, July 3 1400-1520z and a big evening opening at 2225-0300z. During each of those times 5J0BV in San Andreas was heard working people, but Jon missed all these openings due to work.

He writes, ''June 26 was very good with Africa, South America and Europe in all at the same time to Kansas. Using a 2-element Yagi and 100 watts on June 26 I worked EA8CQS (IL18) on 6M SSB at 2236 UTC followed by 8R1DB (GJ06) at 2330 UTC, also on SSB. CT1HZE had a great CW signal for over an hour. I did not call Joe, CT1HZE as have worked him before and he was looking for 6 and 7 call area stations''.

''Seeing that on several days 5J0BV had Es propagation to the Midwest between 1400-1600 UTC, I planned to be ready for him the morning of July 4. I got off work at 1200 UTC (7am) and drove from Topeka back to Wichita. On the way is the portable site I use in EM18. I was set up by 1330 UTC. Initially heard HI3TEJ and some weak Florida stations. That seemed to be about it. I was about ready to tear down - but stuck with it as I felt between 1430-1500z might be when 5J0BV would show. Sure enough, at 1420 UTC faint CW appeared on 50.106. It was 5J0BV. In the log at 1427 UTC. Dennis faded out about 5 minutes later''.

Russ Kendrick, K5RUS of West Monroe, Louisiana sent in a report of his recent 2-meter e-skip adventures:

''I had just got home from work and turned on the rigs. I saw the E cloud on DX Sherlock (see http://www.vhfdx.net/spots/map.php) so I pointed the antennas to NE and turned on the 2 meter rig. I heard and worked K1WHS FN43 2259z I began calling CQ then worked VE2DFO FN25 2305z (first Canadian for me on 2m) then heard a loud thunder clap and some cloud to ground lightning close by. Took off my headset and unhooked everything but the 2meter coax. Quickly with one finger on the desk mic and in between the lightning strokes I called CQ. At 2306z I worked VE2JWH (FN35) and then VE3EN (FN25) at 2313z. I only heard the same guys until 2316z, then nothing until 2333z when I heard K1WHS again loud. I gave him a report, then things got quiet except for stations near me calling to the

northeast. I found VE3EN on 6 meters at 0028z and had a QSO about 2 meters. He put our 2 meter QSO on Youtube.''

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=REcR_-3lijo

VE3EN was as loud to me as I am on his video, but I did not hear him say 73. That's how fast the band can change.

On May 28, 2008 from 2330z to the 29th at 0005z I made about 25 QSOs on 2 meters, 6 states, 6 grids in almost the exact same area and the same time, and worked K1WHS as well''.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for July 2 through 8 were 0, 17, 24, 26, 23, 21, and 18 with a mean of 18.4. 10.7 cm flux was 66.5, 67.3, 71, 71.6, 68.9, 71.3, and 70.8 with a mean of 69.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 5, 3, 6, 4, 5 and 6 with a mean of 4.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 3, 2, 4, 3, 3 and 3 with a mean of 2.9.
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10237. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-10 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10237

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 10 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 191 Issued at 2200Z on 10 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 09/2100Z
to 10/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. Region 1024 (S25W79) was quiet and stable as it
approached the west limb.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 09/2100Z to 10/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet with occasional unsettled
periods due to a high speed stream from a coronal hole.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled for day one (11 July), with a
slight chance for isolated active periods due to coronal hole
effects. Conditions are expected to be quiet for days two and three
(12-13 July).
III. Event Probabilities 11 Jul-13 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 10 Jul 068
Predicted 11 Jul-13 Jul 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 10 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 09 Jul 006/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 10 Jul 007/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 11 Jul-13 Jul 010/010-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 11 Jul-13 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/05/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10238. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-11 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10238

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 11 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 192 Issued at 2200Z on 11 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
to 11/2100Z: Solar activity continued very low. The disk is now
spotless as Region 1024 is past west limb at S25.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet. Although the solar wind speed
has been elevated from recent times to near 450 km/s, the IMF is
weak and, therefore, of little stimulus to the magnetosphere.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet throughout the forecast period.
III. Event Probabilities 12 Jul-14 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 11 Jul 068
Predicted 12 Jul-14 Jul 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 11 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 10 Jul 007/007
Estimated Afr/Ap 11 Jul 002/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 12 Jul-14 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 12 Jul-14 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10239. Ham In Need of our moral support

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-12 00:50:37 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 10239 Message: 10239

I was reading the ads at qth.com and came across this ad about KD5JBN which I thought you all would be interested in reading and
responding to:

http://swap.qth.com/search-results.php?keywords=KG6GXX&fieldtosearch=call

Bob AD5VJ

10240. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #916

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-12 21:13:15 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10240 Message: 10240

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th-July, through Sunday, 12th-July there were 211 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/A, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XW, XX9, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA, SWAZILAND (Ops Needed). Frosty, K5LBU, is once again looking to put together a team of operators to do the CQWW DX SSB Contest in October 2010 from Swaziland. This would be a 10 or 15 day operation with the contest in the middle. It would be possible to do a Multi-2 set up, but he doesn't think they could do a Multi-Multi operation. He would like to hear from anyone that might like to go. He plans to use one callsign for the contest and the rest of the time you can

operate with your own 3DA0 callsign. His E-mail address is:
frosty1@...

4U_ITU, ITU HQ. Gerald Lander, HB9AJU, reports (edited) "that the callsign 4U1ITU will be put on the air only very seldom in the upcoming future. The restricted activities are the result of a general assembly of the International Amateur Radio Clubs (IARC) in May. Several reasons led to this decision including increased security levels at the ITU headquarters, a changed recognition of amateur radio in international communication and last but not least, 4U1ITU does not belonging to the most wanted countries list anymore. The IARC decided to focus their activities on special modes or conference delegates and to limit all overnight and weekend activities as much as possible. Finally the new antennas were installed on top of the Varembe building." You can see them at:
http://public.fotki.com/sparky73/any/ham_radio/4u1itu-2009-antenna/

5R, MADAGASCAR (IOTA Op). Eric, F6ICX, will be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) between November 17th and December 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

A4, OMAN (IOTA Op). Members of the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society will be activating Suwadi Island (AS-112) as A43SI during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL only direct to A47RS: P.O. BOX 981, PC 113 Muscat, OMAN.

ANTARCTIC/ARCTIC UPDATED SCORES POSTED. Michel/F6DWQ and Mehdi/F5PFP from the "French Polar Team" announced that the Antarctic and Arctic Challenge scores/results have been posted on the following Web pages:
Antarctic Challenge scores:
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/Antarctic_Challenge_results.php
Arctic Challenge scores:
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/Arctic_Challenge_results.php
Polar Challenge (Ant + Arct) scores:
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/Polar_Trophy.php

CP, BOLIVIA. Toni, EA5RM, is expected to be working in Bolivia during the month of August. He informs that he expects to be on the air during his spare time as CP1XRM.

CS28, PORTUGAL. Operators Jose/CT1EHX, Joao/CT1FNT, Antonio/CT1GFK, Al/CT1GPQ, Miguel/CT1IUA and Rui/CT2IHP will be active as CS28MCF during the 28th International Motard Meeting of Faro between July 13-19th. All operators are members of the Algarve STAR DX Team. Their activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via CT1EHX.

EG, SPAIN (Special Event). Look for special event station EG1SMP to be on the air between July 24th and August 7th, especial during the ham gathering in San Miguel de Pedroso between July 25-26th. Activity is by the UREBU (URE section of Burgos). Reference numbers: Los Restos del Antiguo Monasterio de San Miguel (MVBU-1259) and (DME-09048). QSL via EA2BT, by the Bureau.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Operators Tim/M0TDG and Martin/G3ZAY will be active as FP/homecall from Miquelon (NA-032), September 24-27th. Activity will be on the low bands using CW and SSB, depending on equipment availability (and airline baggage limits). QSL via their home callsigns. ADDED NOTE: Martin will also try to activate McNutt's Island (NA-126) a Canadian island on September 29th.

FH/TO7, MAYOTTE. Willi, DJ7RJ, has received the callsign TO7RJ to be used for the period between September 22nd and October 21st, 2009. He will be using the callsign FH/DJ7RJ from October 21st until he leaves the island on October 25th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, possibly 6m, using CW and SSB. QSL via his CBA.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-004. Operators Federico/EA8DN, Maria/EA8BJJ, Rosa/EC3AJW and Ricardo/EA4YK will be active as AO8Y from the Island of La Palma (DIE S-012, WLOTA L 1648) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via EA4YK, direct or by the Bureau. Visit their Web site at: http://www.madrono.net

AS-040. Operators JA6VDB and JE6AQP will be active as homecall/6 from Nozaki Island, Ojika Island and Goto Island in the Nagasaki Prefecture, between August 8-12th. Activity will be on 40-15 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-107. Members of the HSDXA (Thailand DX Association) will activate Si Chang Island as HS0AC/p during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) between 1100z, July 25th and 1100z, July 26th. QSL via HS0ZFZ. Operators mentioned are: Cy/HS0GBI, Winit/HS1CKC, Son/HS6NDK, Choon/E20HHK, Supote/E20NTS, Manfred/HS0ZEU, Swen/HS0ZFZ, Nathan/HS0ZHG, Mike/HS0ZHS, Paul/HS0ZIN, Juthathip/HS3SAD, Supaporn/HS7ZVC, and possibly others.

AS-185. VERY RARE (#2).. A group of operators will be active as 3W6C from Con Co Island, Vietnam, between April 10-18th, 2010. Operators mentioned as of today: Team Leader Hans-Peter/HB9BXE, Jan/DJ8NK, Hansruedi/HB9BHW, Rene/HB9BQI, Christine/HB9BQW, Hansjurg/HB9DKZ, Paul/HB9DST/AA1MI, Friedhelm/HB9JBI, Matthias/HB9JCI, Peter/HB9PJT, Rolf/HB9TVR, Casimir/HB9WBU, Eddy/XV1X and Michal/XV9DX. The team is looking for sponsors. Complete details are available at: http://www.3w6c.qrv.ch

EU-008. William, GM4UBJ, will be active as homecall/p from the Isle of Skye (IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA 1626) between July 19-31st. His activity will be holiday style, but he plans to participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, e-QSL and LoTW.

EU-016. Gert, OE3ZK, will be active as 9A/OE3ZK from the Island of Korcula (ACIA IC-767, CIA-19, IOCA CI-041, MIA MC-163, WLOTA 1315), July 21-30th. Activity will be on all bands using SSB, CW and RTTY. Check the IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home

callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-024. Giacomo "Jack", IZ3DBA, will be active from Sardinia (IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035, WLOTA 1608), August 1-10th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-028. Members of the "IA5K team" will be active from Elba Island (IIA LI-020, MIA MI-022, WLOTA 0609) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are: Max/IZ5BTC, Stefano/IZ5MMN/KI6RVQ, Gabriele/IZ5FDD/KI6RVR and possibly other SWLs. QSL Manager is IZ5BTC.

EU-028. Paolo, IK2MLS, will be active from the Elba Island (IIA LI-001, MIA MI-022, WLOTA 0609), August 3-10th. Activity will be holiday style on all HF bands, plus VHF operation. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-032. Ed, GW3SQX, will be active using the special callsign TM7O from the Island of Oleron (DIFM AT-025, WLOTA 1369), July 25-27th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) with operations on all HF bands, mostly CW. QSL direct to GW3SQX.

EU-036. Chris, OE9ICI, will be active as LA/OE9ICI from Kvenvaer, Hitra Island (WW Loc. JP43EM) between July 19th and August 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau (No eQSL!).

EU-041. Giacomo "Jack", IZ3DBA, will be active as IM0/IZ3DBA from Maddalena Island (IIA OT-008, MIA MIS-013) between July 28th and August 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web site at: http://www.iz3dba.it

EU-055. Operators Henk/PA3FMC and Ruud/PE1BTV and Hans/PH0V will be active as LA/homecall from Utvaer island (WLOTA 2373, WW Loc. JP21GA), August 10-18th. Look for LA/PE1BTV and LA/PH0V to be active on VHF-MS from JP21GA and LA/PA3FMC on HF. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-067. Nick, SV1CEI, will be active as homecall/8 from Kea Island in the Kyklades (Cyclades) IOTA group until August 25th. QSL via his homecall, direct or by the bureau.

EU-077. Luis, EA1NT, will be active as AO1I from the Island of Lobeira Grande (DIE O-133, WLOTA L 4092), July 24-26th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operations will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web site at: http://www.urlc.net/Lobeira2009.html

EU-088. Operators Ole/OZ2TF, Klaus/OZ7KDJ and Erik/OZ9V will be active as OZ8MW/p from Anholt Island (DIA NK-001) between July 22-27th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters before the IOTA Contest. They will be in the IOTA Contest. Also, look for activity on 6 meters using a FT-920, 5 element beam at 15 meters. QSL via OZ8MW, direct or bureau.

EU-120. Members of the Medway Reynet and operators Chris/M0DOL, Morris/ M0MAO and Gary/M0NNH will activate special event station GB100SS from Isle of Sheppey (WAB TR15, LOC. JO01kj) on all bands between July 25-27th. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary on the fly machines in that country. Read about the details at: http://www.qrz.com/db/GB100SS

EU-125. Axel, DL7VEA, will be active as OZ7VEA from Romo Island [aka Roemoe] (DIA NS-001), August 2-21st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-157. Stephane, F8CFE, will be active as homecall/p from the Ile Agot (DIFM MA-009) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). No bands/modes of activity or entry category was provided. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-170. A Hungarian group will take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) again this year. Activity will be from Pasman Island (IOCA-085, JN73QW), Croatia, between July 20-29th. Before and after the contest you can find them on all HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The operators mentioned are: Laci/HA6NL, Zsolt/HA6PS, Al/HA7JJS and Laci/HA7PL. All operators will sign 9A/homecall except Laci/HA6NL; he will sign 9A6NL. QSL via HA Bureau or direct by the operators home addresses on QRZ.com. For direct requests, please enclose SAE and 1 (valid, new) IRC or 2 USDs. Without this, the QSL will go via the bureau.

EU-174. Gabi, HA1YA, will be active as J48YA from Thasos [aka Thassos] Island (GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186, WW Loc. KN20HS) between August 25th and September 8th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 4m, 6m and 2m. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-067. Operators Frances/AJ4JQ and Jonathan/KJ4IZB hope to be active as AJ4JQ from Hatteras [aka Pea] Island (USI NC-005S, WLOTA 3913) between July 12-18th. Frances reports "This is just a vacation, so I can not guarantee that I or my Dad, KJ4IZB, will be on the air from any particular place at any particular time, but I know we will visit Hatteras and Roanoke islands, so I will try to bring the gear along. QSL via home call (QRZ.com).

NA-067. Members of the North Carolina Contesters Club (NR3X) will be active as N4A from Core Banks (USI NC-033S, WLOTA 0596, Pamlico County, North Carolina), July 22-27th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators

mentioned are: Nate/N4YDU, Keith/W4KAZ, Barry/K4CZ, Dan/N3ND
and Jack/W0UCE. They will use 100 watts into wire antennas
and expect to be on or near the usual island/IOTA frequencies.
QSL direct to N4YDU (QRZ.com).

NA-137. Members of the Long Island DX Society (N1LI) will be active
from Long Island (USI ME-083S, Cumberland County, Maine) during
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via K1DG: Doug Grant,
PO Box 301, Long Island, ME 04050 USA (SASE would be appreciated).

NA-139. Stan, N2US, will be active as homecall/p from Assateague
Island (USI VA-024S, Accomack County, Virginia), and the
lighthouse (ARLHS USA-021, WLOTA 4206) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/12 Hour/Low-Power entry.
QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

NA-143. Bill, N5LYG, will be active from Galveston Island (USI TX-001S,
Galveston County, Texas) during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a
Single-Op/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).
Visit his Web site at: http://www.n5lyg.org

NA-230. Cezar, VE3LYC, will attempt his most difficult operation to
date: activating for the first time the Ottawa Islands (IOTA
NA-230) group in Hudson Bay. Name of the specific island and
exact dates are not available at this time, but they will be
announced a few days in advance of the operation. Cezar seeks
to be on the air for 3 full days during the period July 25th
to August 10th using the callsign VY0O. Ottawa Islands are
12-14 hours away from shore and transportation requires a large
boat. This is not a leisure trip. Traditionally, unstable
weather patterns, unknown local landing conditions, high seas,
the presence of ice chunks in the Bay, potential presence of
polar bears (since islands are cooled by cold winds in summer),
and other logistical aspects make this trip extremely challenging.
Cezar will work towards a successful attempt but wants to convey
to the island chasers that this operation may be aborted as
safety comes first. At this time Cezar seeks group and individual
donors who understand and appreciate the difficult and expensive
task ahead and are willing to be part of this effort. All
those who will contribute financially will be acknowledged. He
mentions that past support from EU stations has been dis-
proportionate with their QSO demand (45% of QSOs but only
25% support for VY0A), but hopes that this situation will
improve. Direct and bureau QSL instructions will be announced
in due course. He requests, "I am desperately trying to find
support for this operation. Any help will be so much appreciated."

IS0, SARDINIA (EU-024). Operators Rastislav/OM3BH, Jozef/OM3GI, Jozef/OM3NA
and Tibor/OM3RM will be active as IS0/OM8A during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 25-26th) as a Single-Op(???)/All-Band/High-Power/DXpedition entry.
QSL via OM2VL.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Howard, WB6WXE, is now active as J6/WB4WXE until July 20th. He was spotted on 6 meters this past weekend using a 6 element beam and 350 watts and operating from a site which is at 2,000 feet ASL. Howard is expected to be active on other bands when 6m is quiet, especially on 17 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For July 13-19th).....
13 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
14 AN ---------------
15 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
16 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
17 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
18 AN ---------------------
19 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between 0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between 7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
SPECIAL ADDED NOTES (by editor KB8NW): CONGRATULATIONS to my good friend, "BIG" Cleveland Indians fan and propagation guru Lee Wical (KH6BZF) and Sandra Merrick on their marriage in January of this year. Your editor (and XYL) attended a special gathering this past weekend where both Lee and Sandy renewed their vows amongst family, friends and their classmates during a "1952 Mentor Class Reunion" on a ranch in Leroy Township, Ohio. Everyone had a great time with plenty of eats and congratulated/wished Lee and Sandy the best. Your editor has been communicating with Lee for many years via the InterNet, and this was the first time I got to meet him. It was a real pleasure to meet him and his new wife. Lee is an Ohio native and was lucky as a young boy to be picked as a runner-up batboy during the 1948 World Series (which was last time the Cleveland Indians were World Champions). Lee plans to live in Hawaii during the winter and in Ohio on Sandy's ranch during the summer. He is currently active as KH6BZF/8. Also, look for Lee to be active very soon from Manitoulin Island (CISA ON-001), in Ontario, Canada.

KL7DX 2008 DXPEDITION DVD AVAILABLE. A DVD on the July 2008 Russian Robinson Club operation to Clevelenad Volcano on Chuginadak Island, is now available at: http://nsiradio1.stores.yahoo.net/kl20dxdvd.html It is on sale now for 19.99 USDs.

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Joachim, KP4EE, will be active as KP4KE during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OK1DOT.

N3, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Operators Tom/WY3H and his son Ethan/W3IRS, and also John/K3WWP will operate N3AQC (NAQCC and FISTS Club Sation) as a special event station on August 13th from the USS Requin (Submarine) which is dry docked in the Alleghney River in Pittsburgh, Pa. Their operating times will be roughly between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (+/- a few minutes) EST (1400-1800z). A special QSL card will be sent to all contacts. Operation will be on 20 and 40 meters only in the CW portion of the bands or course.

NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Koji, JL3RDC, will be active as NH0DX during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Band entry. QSL via JL3RDC direct ONLY (no Bureau).

PACIFIC TOUR. Bill, N7OU, informs OPDX that he will be making two stops in the Pacific starting mid-September and during October. His schedule is as follows:
September 18-30th - Bill will be making a lightweight, solo DXpedition to Chatham Island, signing ZL7/N7OU. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, CW only, using 100w into a vertical. QSL via N7OU.
October 5-30th - Bill will be on Rarotonga Island (OC-013), in the South Cooks, doing volunteer work again and signing E51NOU during his spare time. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, CW only, using 100w into a vertical. QSL via N7OU.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
AT1HQ via VU2PTT and LoTW. Special ARSI callsign for the IARU Contest.

CR5HQ via CT1REP (see QRZ.COM). Bureau cards can be requested at: rep@... (no need to send a card via bureau!)

Log and pictures are available from the CR6A activity from the Fuzeta Est Mole Lighthouse: Pictures at: http://algarvedx.com
Log at: http://algarvedx.com/logonline

DA0HQ via the Bureau.

PA6HQ via PA3CAL. A special PA6HQ Award is available for stations working PA6HQ on six (6) bands, 10/15/20/40/80/160 meter, in any mode you want. More info at: http://pa6hq.veron.nl

SX0HQ via LoTW or by the Bureau. Activity by the RAAG (Radio Amateur Association of Greece).

TM0HQ via the REF-Union bureau to manager F8CRH

TZ6EI LOGS. Ed, W0SD, reports that the logs for TZ6EI (six meters only) are online thanks to Chris, DL5NAM. You can link-up to them at: http://www.w0sd.com/mali/mali.htm
There were 546 unique six meter contacts made. 22 QSOs with NA. He states, "Hopefully we can get the HF logs online in a week or so."
The TZ6WI Web page has posted DXpedition statistics, distances, pictures etc... as well as the link to the online logs. QSL via W7XU.

VY0A QSL STATUS. Cezar, VE3LYC, reports that he has mailed all the direct QSL requests for the VY0A NA-186 operation. More information is available on the QRZ.com Web page.

ZW5HQ via PY5CA, direct or by the bureau, please indicate via PY5CA.

QSLS VIA LOTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2YA, 4L1FX, 4O3A, 5V7PM, BS7H, D44TD, DP1POL, ER5GB, ET3JA, J75KG, L21D, R1ANR, S21DX, S04R, TG9AHM, V8AQM, YA5T and YN2BQ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

SPECIAL EVENTS (Moon Landing Celebration!).....
In celebration of the 40th anniversary of the first manned moon landing, the special event callsign VE3MOON will be operating from July 14-27th. They will be operating satellites from the Canada Museum of Science and Technology during much of this period, usually between 1400-2000z. They will also be working HF from various locations throughout the duration of the event. Currently, they do not have a set schedule, but they do have multiple radios and operators. Popular satellites among their operators are AO-51, SO-50, VO-52, FO-29, and the ISS. There will be a QSL card for this special call. QSL management is through VE3OIJ.

Look for the special callsign K5E to be active on AO-7 at 1332z, July 16th, and will remain active on the FM and CW/SSB satellites, NO-44 (if operational) and the ISS in packet or voice (if either system is active) through 1650z on July 24th. Those dates and times coincide with the duration of the Apollo 11 mission to the moon which began 40 years ago next Thursday, July 16th. K5E seemed the perfect choice for a special event callsign to celebrate the 40th anniversary of "one small step for man .... one giant leap for mankind."
K - the 11th letter of the alphabet.
5 - the call district of Houston, location of Apollo 11 Mission Control.
E - Eagle, the Apollo 11 lunar module.
During the satellite passes, the operator will use the special callsign and will ID as "Kilo 5 Eagle". Glade Schroeter, WA3MVQ, is donating high-quality full-color QSL cards which will be used to confirm all contacts with K5E. Stations wishing to confirm will send their request to Tim, N3TL, with an SASE. The card will be standard QSL size and a picture of the QSL card is expected to be posted on QRZ.com. Work K5E one time to claim a special QSL card. There will be no endorsements of any kind, and only one QSL will be issued per valid amateur callsign.

TK5, CORSICA. Laurent, F5MUX, will be active as TK5UX between July 12-26th. QSLs are preferred via eQSL <http://e.qsl.cc>. Visit his Web page at: http://www.f5mux.com

TO2, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. A team of Brazilian operators will be active as TO2FH between May 19-23rd, 2010. Operators mentioned so far are: Fabio/ PY2AAZ/AC2AC, Anderson/PY2TNT, Fred/PY2XB and Alex/PY2WAS. More details are forthcoming.

TO2, MAYOTTE. A team of Brazilian operators will be active as TO2FH between September 3-15th, 2010. Operators mentioned so far are: Fabio/ PY2AAZ/AC2AC, Anderson/PY2TNT, Fred/PY2XB and Alex/PY2WAS. More details are forthcoming.

VIDEO AVAILABLE ON THE WEB. Andrea, IZ2LSC, informs OPDX that a short video clip regarding the activation of HV5PUL done in June 2009 is

available on Web at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuRbBc4GyP0

ZP15, PARAGUAY (Special Event). Look for special event station ZP15MWC
to be on the air July 13-19th. Activity is to celebrate the 15th Mennonite
World Conference held in Asuncion, Paraguay. Activity will be on 40, 20,
15, 10 meters SSB during the hours of 1300-2200z. Suggested frequencies
are: 7080, 14290, 21350 and 28450 kHz (+/- QRM and conditions permitting).
The single station will be operated by: Rudolph/ZP5RL, Ernst/ZP1BD and
Helmich/PA0HEL. QSL via PA0HEL.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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10241. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-12 22:11:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10241

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 12 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 193 Issued at 2200Z on 12 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 11/2100Z
to 12/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 11/2100Z to 12/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the period (13 - 15 July).
III. Event Probabilities 13 Jul-15 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 12 Jul 068
Predicted 13 Jul-15 Jul 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 12 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 11 Jul 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 12 Jul 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 13 Jul-15 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 Jul-15 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10242. S.E.S EG5LB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-13 14:38:44 UTC
From: ARMIC EA3RKR ONCE
Topic: 10242 Message: 10242

To mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of the illustrious Louis Braille, inventor tifloescritura system for the blind, and with the 30th anniversary of ARMIC, Association for Visually Handicapped Radio of Catalonia, with the invaluable assistance of various members, partners, friends of the entity, and other amateur radio, puts on the air with a special prefix different seasons, to commemorate this important event.

Louis Braille was the inventor of the system tifloescritura that bears his name to the blind, resulting in a breakthrough in communication for those who suffer this disability.

If I was in the air EG3LB thanks to various members of ARMIC subsequently was EG7LB thanks to the collaboration of EA7URS now is in the air EG5LB, thanks to the members and friends of the area ARMIC of EA5.

We want to thank the great help and the great affection with which he had personally taken the business, two friends from the area EA5, friends EA5CHA and EA5GXL.

The EG5LB be in the air the following day..

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  JULY 26

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    8 AUGUST
    AUGUST 9
  16 AUGUST
  23 AUGUST
  29 AUGUST

SEPTEMBER 6

SEPTEMBER 7

The QSL like the rest of stations LB-EG-X will be a special QSL ARMIC edit, and will be sent once they complete all activities from the various districts.

For the QSL EG5LB you can refer to:

EA3RKR

Via bureau or direct to those who prefieran.Recordar to be attached directly on self-directed and properly posted for their return, the QSL received Direct without a self-sufficient postage on your return to be answered only via bureau.

Thanks to all, and hope to work everyone in radio.

73'sy APUNTAROS to thank you for this special celebration with us.

ARMIC EA3RKR Team

If you want to join and participate in activities ARMIC EA3RKR, contact us at ea3rkr@... is no need whatsoever to live in Catalonia, just want to enjoy and have fun doing what we like and love to all, ie Make Radio, there are multiple tasks that can be involved at various points, even from outside of EA.

You can visit the website of the association to see more deeply into the activities being carried out and obtain full information of it, for it can access the website of the entity.

JOIN THIS GREAT FAMILY!!!

All information at: www.gratisweb.com/ea3rkr/esp/index2.hml and QRZ.com.

Please disseminate this information, TNX.
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C/ SEPULVEDA, 1
08015 BARCELONA

10243. IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-13 21:41:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10243 Message: 10243

Unbelievable!!!!! I just heard IY3MG calling CQ. I called, he answered and told me we had had a "QSO" before. An Italian behaving like a rare DXpedition. Is there something about this operation that I don't know about? I seriously doubt it. What a pretentious idiot!

Oh yes, we did indeed have a contact before, also on 20M CW. Like big deal! Gimme a break.

73

Al, VE1AL

10244. RE: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-13 21:45:51 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10243 Message: 10244

Special event station for Marconi ...

How you say it ... dialing for $$$

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: aleith@...nk.ca
> Date: Mon, 13 Jul 2009 18:41:07 -0300
> Subject: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????
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10245. RE: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-13 21:49:32 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10243 Message: 10245

Blast it! I should have known!!!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 6:46 PM
To: DX List - New
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Special event station for Marconi ...
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73, Dick, W1KSZ

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10246. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-13 22:21:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10246

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 13 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 194 Issued at 2200Z on 13 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels. Field
activity increased to unsettled levels after 13/1200Z. ACE solar
wind data indicated a coronal hole high-speed stream commenced
around 13/1200Z. Velocities gradually increased after 13/1200Z and
reached a peak of 505 km/sec at 13/2029Z. Intermittent periods of
southward IMF Bz occurred beginning around mid-period (minimum -9 nt
at 13/1309Z).
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on day 1 (14 July).
Activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels for the balance of
the period (15 - 16 July).
III. Event Probabilities 14 Jul-16 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Jul 067
Predicted 14 Jul-16 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 13 Jul 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Jul 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 13 Jul 006/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 14 Jul-16 Jul 007/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 Jul-16 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10247. RE: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-13 23:04:35 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10243 Message: 10247

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 5:41 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Unbelievable!!!!! I just heard IY3MG calling CQ. I called, he answered and told me we had had a "QSO" before.

>>>The appropriate response is "then why are you calling CQ?".

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

10248. RE: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-13 23:11:22 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10243 Message: 10248

Point well taken, Dave.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 8:05 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

>>>AA6YQ comments below

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Alan
Leith
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 5:41 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] IY3MG - QSO B4????????

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10249. Re: IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-14 10:59:33 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10243 Message: 10249

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10250. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-14 11:29:33 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 10250

Paul, I would get very tired of day after day, after day, after day, after ......

Can you do anything to make that cussed fusion source have some 3D irregularities? :-)

PS I do read your reports hoping against hope ....

DD, W1MCE
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 6:21 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 13 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 194 Issued at 2200Z on 13 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels. Field
activity increased to unsettled levels after 13/1200Z. ACE solar
wind data indicated a coronal hole high-speed stream commenced
around 13/1200Z. Velocities gradually increased after 13/1200Z and
reached a peak of 505 km/sec at 13/2029Z. Intermittent periods of
southward IMF Bz occurred beginning around mid-period (minimum -9 nt
at 13/1309Z).
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on day 1 (14 July).
Activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels for the balance of
the period (15 - 16 July).
III. Event Probabilities 14 Jul-16 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Jul 067
Predicted 14 Jul-16 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 13 Jul 070

V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Jul 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 13 Jul 006/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 14 Jul-16 Jul 007/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 Jul-16 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10251. Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-14 13:29:21 UTC
From: kq6i@arrl.net
Topic: 10243 Message: 10251

Wikipedia has some interesting dry info. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet]

rgrds
Craig
kq6i

-----Original Message-----
From: Art Burke [mailto:aburkefl@...]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 5:00 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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10252. RE: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-14 16:27:53 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10243 Message: 10252

I first used the internet (then known as "the ARPA net") in 1970 -- from a vector graphics display in Cambridge MA, I used a flight simulator running on a machine in Berkeley CA. At the time, I was more impressed with the flight simulator...

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

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Yahoo! Groups Links

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.13.12/2235 - Release Date: 07/13/09
05:56:00

10253. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-14 18:36:16 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10243 Message: 10253

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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10254. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-14 22:46:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10254

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 195 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (15-17 July).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to active levels during the
past 24 hours. In particular, active periods were observed from
0000-0600Z due to intermittent periods of southward IMF Bz (-9 nT)
accompanied by a coronal hole high-speed stream. The average speed
of the high-speed stream was about 530 km/s.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to decline to quiet levels and remain quiet for the next
three days (15-17 July).
III. Event Probabilities 15 Jul-17 Jul
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10255. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 03:14:19 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 10243 Message: 10255

1200 baud was fast - don't forget the 300 baud acoustic modems where you
hung the handset on the modem...

n9ljx

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10256. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 04:39:58 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10243 Message: 10256

ahhhhhhh, the good ol days.....worked for company that had to have daily buissnes report transmitted to home office each night.....300 baud Key it into machine, call the #, and go have a cup of coffee. Then print out a copy for refference. Okidata tractor, no spooler. Thaking bi-monthy store inventory was a blast! Inventory during day, enter after close, transmitt, run inventory report, go home get some shut eye, come back about 4 am, check exceptions, revise, and transmitt again. Usually make it home about 7 am and store had to be open at 10 am.

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Gosh mis those days too hi hi

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From: "Scott Stembaugh" <radio.n9ljx@...>
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10257. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 04:47:00 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10243 Message: 10257

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10258. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 05:20:30 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10243 Message: 10258

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Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dick Flanagan" <dick@...m>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 12:47:00 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

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10259. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 05:33:44 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10243 Message: 10259

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10260. RE: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 05:50:47 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10243 Message: 10260

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http://www.snopes.com/quotes/internet.asp

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 1:34 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

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10261. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 07:32:43 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10243 Message: 10261

But the statement by GORE is still absolutely FALSE. In Congress or not, he had NOTHING WHATSOEVER to do with ARPANET, DARPANET nor any version of the Internet.

John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Dave AA6YQ
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 7:50 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

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10262. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 12:01:14 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10243 Message: 10262

One year in the mid-70's the University of Illinois club W9YH got permission to use the Radio Science group's log-periodic Yagi located in Thomasboro, IL about 15 miles north of Champaign-Urbana. We used it for Phone Sweepstakes that year. Those of you who have been in the area probably remember seeing it from Interstate 57. It's gone now.

Anyway, one of the club members wrote a logging program that connected by 300-baud phone modem to a DEC-10 computer on campus. The DEC-10 did the logging. We used the still active phone line of the by-then-deserted field station. What we didn't stop to think was that it was considered a long-distance call from Thomasboro to Urbana and we had the phone line connected for the entire contest. Someone eventually got the bill. I don't know who in the club dealt with the authorities, but somehow we were still permitted to use the site and the LP antenna. But the phone line was disconnected.
That's one of those things I'll never forget!

73, Zack W9SZ

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> Dick Flanagan K7VC
> dick@... <dick%40k7vc.com>
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10263. Can we ease up on the politics?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 12:32:33 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10263 Message: 10263

The discussion on the Internet and networks is nostalgic. Because the Internet has become an integral part of DXing, and a tool that we can't do without when it comes to DX, the issue is valid. I enjoy the reminiscences of the guys who were around in the early days, and feel free to continue to share your experiences in this area.

I ask that you all keep the politics out of it, though. It will only lead to hard feelings by many members if we continue to go down that road . . .

73, Paul VE1DX (Moderator - DX IS!)

10264. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 12:48:05 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10243 Message: 10264

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Date: 2009-07-15 13:04:29 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10265 Message: 10265

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Date: 2009-07-15 14:17:42 UTC
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Topic: 10265 Message: 10267

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 15:19:06 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10265 Message: 10268

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 15:54:45 UTC
From: kq6i@arrl.net
Topic: 10265 Message: 10269

-or- "640K ought to be enough for anybody. ~ Bill Gates"

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Date: 2009-07-15 18:14:18 UTC
From: Pete Michaelis - N8TR
Topic: 10265 Message: 10270

The quote I remember is from Ken OLson, the co-founder of
Digital Equipment Corporation (DEC). He said (in 1977) that:

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see: http://www.snopes.com/quotes/kenolsen.asp

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10271

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 15 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 196 Issued at 2200Z on 15 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 14/2100Z
to 15/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares have occured.
The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (16-18 July).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 14/2100Z to 15/2100Z:
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past 24 hours. Solar wind speeds decayed from around 530 km/s to
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III. Event Probabilities 16 Jul-18 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 15 Jul 067
Predicted 16 Jul-18 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 15 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 14 Jul 006/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 15 Jul 006/006
Predicted Afr/Ap 16 Jul-18 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 16 Jul-18 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10272. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-15 22:45:17 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10243 Message: 10272

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
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Hey DD - don't know if I'm old enuf for that. Unlike you oldtimers, my first computer was an IBM 8088 with two single sided 5¼" 360k diskettes and the memory was a whopping 64k memory. I had to boot up in A drive and then do a B:\ to go into the working disk. Then along came an AST sixpack - wow! For packet I used a dumb terminal as a Comadore 64 was too expensive. My present radio is still a FT101E. My CW test at the FCC (that's right - FCC) was done with a straight key .... ..
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10274. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 00:13:54 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10243 Message: 10274

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10275. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 00:23:28 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 10243 Message: 10275

Dale Cole K8TS wrote:
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Good Evening Dale & All:

Excellent point you raise above. I will be licensed 52 years in November, and as best I can remember, this is the very worst SFI minimum that I can remember. Six meters is fun right now, but that isn't going to last. If this continues, the only other hope is 160 meters, and that is several long hot miserable months away. It is now 7:21 PM in the evening and the temp is still showing at 100 degrees. Is it winter yet?

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

10276. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 01:44:57 UTC
From: bob
Topic: 10243 Message: 10276

I always thought the sun was spotless!

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10277. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 02:52:59 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10243 Message: 10277

Either that or OldeFahrts@...
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73, Zack W9SZ

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10278. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 04:46:25 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 10243 Message: 10278

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First computer I used was a Royal McBee LGP30 in 1959 at UNB. One of the very first GASP!!! solid state computers NO IC's however. Used a Friden Flexiwriter for input/output. Programing and data input was by 8 level paper tape. We had 8K of memory!!!, the old toroidal core stuff that gave rise to the term memory core. Programming was all hand compiled, there was no compiler software to help out. You basically did the bit bashing yourself and then punched a paper tape to try it out. As for modems or ARPA/DARPA Net there was none and no modems either. Same was true of the IBM 1130 on which I learned FORTRAN. When I finally got my first computer, a Commodore PET, it had 8 times the memory, a built in compiler, dual floppy disc drives and a 300 bps modem for dialing up BBSes all over the country. That, for me, was the millennium come :-) When I finally got my first 2400 bps modem (which I still have) There wasn't much else I could have asked, in fact none of us had a clue about what was just up ahead on the technology highway an networking was still just a lab phenomena.

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

10279. Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 10:36:20 UTC
From: bob
Topic: 10243 Message: 10279

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10280. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 12:10:05 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10243 Message: 10280

And MYLAR Tape ... lots of it!!!
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10281. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 12:25:15 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10281 Message: 10281

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10282. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 12:26:24 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10243 Message: 10282

Is that those yellowish things that kids get on their faces during summer??

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From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10281 Message: 10283

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From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10243 Message: 10284

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 14:51:23 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 10281 Message: 10286

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Date: 2009-07-16 15:02:45 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10281 Message: 10288

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Date: 2009-07-16 16:28:31 UTC
From: rmontemerlo
Topic: 10281 Message: 10289

Dale

In the late 70's prior to all this stuff I was running a 4 user Minicomputer (PDP11/150) at home.

Game of choice in the family was Dungeons and Dragons and the home budget was on a form input using a Visual Basic program I wrote. Text only of course. Low cost bit map graphics didn't exist yet.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 16:34:31 UTC
From: Jim Vaughan
Topic: 10290 Message: 10290

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10291. Re: IY3MG - QSO B4????????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 17:00:20 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 10243 Message: 10291

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...> wrote:
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> During the final days of bulletin boards and the appearance of internet access for the masses, "mail bombs" were de rigeur for computer "pests."
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> For guys like this Italian op (and the guys on PSK who insist on sending their brag files even when you specifically request they not do so), capture your log into some sort of text file - and send 'em that! That'll keep 'em busy for a little while!

Back in the 1200 BPS days, I once sent somebody my 40 Mb swap file!

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Earl
KD5XB

10292. Re: [DX-IS] COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 17:09:51 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10290 Message: 10292

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Date: 2009-07-16 17:20:56 UTC
From: Jim Vaughan
Topic: 10290 Message: 10293

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From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 10243 Message: 10294

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10295. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 20:19:00 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 10295

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 20:30:49 UTC
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From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10281 Message: 10297

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Topic: 10281 Message: 10298

All of these replies to an olfart type comment must mean the bands are in tough shape. Today, while driving home from Jail [I'm the Chaplain] I could barely hear the Maritime net ... they are on all the time!!

Summer static is building and the WX Gessers are Guessing I'll experience thunder boomers before long. Quiet night is in store.

----- Original Message -----
From: rmontemerlo
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 10:51 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

Dave thanks for the encouragement! If I see ya I'll hit you with my walker.

About the Commodore time a couple of Japanese PCs were out that never hit the market but were pretty good. Okidata had one if I remember.

Quote on Ken Olsen is a bit misleading in that the Commodore was the only "hobbiest" product out and noone could have forecasted a home market. Even the IBM PC was not originally targeted to a home user. At the time 'Personal' meant individual in business and eventually small business. My how things changed.

Not guessing here...I was the Product Manager for Digital's first two PCs (Code Robin/Rainbow).....boy do I have stories.

Now feeling even older...

Bob KB1JZU

PS used punch card in college that's all there was

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 20:40:58 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10281 Message: 10299

In the early 70s I was designing USAF test systems using the PDP 8S ... Oh well!
----- Original Message -----
From: rmontemerlo
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 12:28 PM
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Dale

In the late 70's prior to all this stuff I was running a 4 user Minicomputer (PDP11/150) at home.

Game of choice in the family was Dungeons and Dragons and the home budget was on a form input using a Visual Basic program I wrote. Text only of course. Low cost bit map graphics didn't exist yet.

Now I really have dated myself.

Ciao

Bob KB1JZU

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> "Donkey Kong" was all my Atari.....you must have had the "super duper" model hi hi
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> Dale K8TS
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 21:24:24 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10281 Message: 10300

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10301. ARLD028 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 22:25:24 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5172 Message: 10301

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EAST MALAYSIA, 9M6. Brett, VR2BG is QRV as 9M6BG until July 28. He hopes to be active during the IOTA contest. Activity has been on 40 and 20 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. A group of operators will be QRV as CR3D and CR3R from Chao Islet, Desertas Islands, IOTA AF-046, from July 24 to 26. Activity will be on all HF and VHF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

BALEARIC ISLANDS, EA6. Pista, HA5GY is QRV as EA6/HA5GY until July 20. He is active using QRP power on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

THAILAND, HS. Don, HS0ZEE has been active on 20 meters CW daily around 1400z. QSL to home call.

SARDINIA, IS0. A group of operators will be QRV as IM0M from Asinara Island, IOTA EU-165, from July 22 to 26. Activity will be on all HF and V/UHF bands and modes. This includes an entry in the upcoming IOTA contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Masa, JD1BMM is QRV from here until July 22. He is generally active on 20 and 17 meters using CW and various digital modes, but has been active on 6 meters as well. QSL via

bureau.

SVALBARD, JW. Robert, LA9QNA is QRV as JW9QNA from Longyearbyen, IOTA EU-026, until July 22. This includes entries in the North American RTTY QSO Party and the CQ World Wide VHF Contest. QSL to home call.

DENMARK, OZ. Harry, PA1H and Nico, PA8PA will be QRV as OZ/home call from Lango Island, IOTA EU-172, from July 25 to August 1. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters, and possibly the VHF bands, using SSB and digital modes. This includes an entry in the upcoming IOTA contest. QSL to home calls.

GREECE, SV. Laci, HA0NAR will be QRV as SX8R from Thassos Island, IOTA EU-174, from July 22 to 31. This includes an entry in the upcoming IOTA contest. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

CORSICA, TK. Lee, F5MUX is QRV as TK5UX until July 26. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mostly CW but with some RTTY as well. QSL to home call.

BELIZE, V3. Terry, W6WTG and Sharon, N2OWL will be QRV as V31UR from Caye Caulker, IOTA NA-073, from July 21 to 29. This includes being an entry in the upcoming IOTA contest. QSL via W6UR.

NORFOLK ISLAND, VK9N. Member of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia will be QRV as VK9NI from July 22 to 29. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with five stations running simultaneously. This includes an entry in the upcoming IOTA contest. QSL via W3HNK.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Bill, W5SJ is QRV as VP2MSJ until July 21. Activity is on al bands, including 60 and 30 meters. This includes an entry in the CQ World Wide VHF Contest. QSL via W5JAY.

MEXICO, XE. In celebration of the 12th anniversary of the Radio Club Queretaro, special event station 4C12SG is QRV until July 27 from the ''Sierra Gorda Queretana'' at the Sotano del Barro, one of the world's lowest locations. Activity is on al HF bands and possibly 6 meters. QSL via XE1RCQ.

INDONESIA, YB. Hotang, YC0IEM/9 is QRV from Bali, IOTA OC-022, until July 27. QSL via IZ8CCW.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The North American RTTY QSO Party, CQ Worldwide VHF Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Russian Radio Team Championship, DMC RTTY Contest, RSGB Low Power CW Field Day and the CQC Great Colorado CW Gold Rush are all scheduled for this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for July 20. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for July 22. Please see July QST, page 76, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10302. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-16 23:54:34 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 10281 Message: 10302

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Date: 2009-07-16 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10303

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 197 Issued at 2200Z on 16 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 15/2100Z
to 16/2100Z: Solar activity was very low for the past 24 hours. No
flares have occurred. The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
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IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 15/2100Z to 16/2100Z:
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III. Event Probabilities 17 Jul-19 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 16 Jul 067
Predicted 17 Jul-19 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 16 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 15 Jul 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 16 Jul 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 17 Jul-19 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 Jul-19 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 01:42:40 UTC
From: johnb3030
Topic: 10290 Message: 10304

I still have one of these also. I wish someone would do a PC version. Although I seldom use it, it's the only reason I'm still holding on to my C-64.

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>
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>
> Jim, K4TXJ
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> 73,
> Bob
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>
> Jim Vaughan wrote:
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> >
> > Does anyone remember Commodore 64 with Doctor DX?
> >
> > You could contest without antennas.
> > This was good to get ready for a contest.
> >
> > Jim, K4TXJ
> > Louisville, Ky.
> > RMC(SS) U.S.N.ret.
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10305. Re: [DX-IS] Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 01:47:13 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 10290 Message: 10305

I too would really like to see a PC version. VE3NEA's Morse-runner comes close but omits the band change function, the VFO, and the fact that operators become more proficient as you move up and down the band.

If you could add in those features, you'd have Dr. DX and a great program at that!

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: johnb3030
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 9:42 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

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John, K9MM

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10306. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 02:29:27 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10281 Message: 10306

DD said:

You younger hams, once you survive to the QCWA make a commitment to stop
getting old.

yup.....a big 10-4 on that one buddy!

Got my licence in 1971.....stopped by the QCWA one time at Dayton.....thought about what you get for your money other than a pin and a decal.....kept on walking The ARRL at least gives me a shinny new rag with my name on it (address lable hi hi)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Win" <winlyn@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 7:54:34 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

My 13 wpm test at the US Customs House in Baltimore, in 1959, required only
one minute out of five of perfect text. I am sure of that because I did
little better than that.

My 20 wpm test at the Kansas City FCC office required that I copy five
minutes on the back of a test sheet, then turn it over and answer 20
multiple choice questions on the other side, A passing grade was 80%. The
examiner would grade the test then flip the page to see if you really copied
enough of the text to support the grade.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" < tagteam@... >
To: < DX-IS@yahoogroups.com >
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 4:24 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

DD,
I passed QCWA years ago ;-(
Now your comment on Advanced test. My Advanced test as with my wife was a
lot more difficult than the ExtraLite test today. I asked the FCC to
grandfather my wife to Extra explaining that her test was far more
stringent, having taken her test at the FCC and also having passed 13 wpm.
They didn't buy it - boo hiss.
I still recall having to copy two (2) minutes of perfect copy out of five to
pass my test. Perhaps the Left Coast was stricter than the east coast ....
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Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 1:36 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

My memory is that there was a five minute receive test first, one minute solid copy, no errors or omissions. Followed by a similar send test. I do remember I asked if I could use my Vibroplex ... the examiner looked at me and said "you Pass!" Gosh, getting old is tough.

You younger hams, once you survive to the QCWA make a commitment to stop getting old.

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 10:59 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

Come to think of it, I did have a Trash 80 (CoCo). I think that was one of the first ones I got rid of.

I think you're right about the two minutes of copy of CW on the exams. It's been so long I forget. I do remember people told me it was a good idea to be able to copy 5 wpm beyond the speed required on the FCC exams, just to make sure your nervousness didn't get in the way. So when I took the General exam I could copy 18 wpm at home in a relaxed state, and could copy 25 wpm when I went for the Extra.

I used punched (Hollerith) cards to write computer programs in college, too. We used an IBM 360 mainframe. I never saw the innards of that, but someone told me it used something like a 3-500 tube to generate clock pulses for all the logic devices in it. Maybe that was an urban legend!

Zack

On Thu, Jul 16, 2009 at 9:41 AM, WB6PSY/N6AXK < tagteam@... >
wrote:

Zakkie - you didn't have a Trash 80? Hmmmmmm.
I was a VE in the 80's with W5YI and we didn't have a sending test, only receive. BTW, when I took my 13 wpm I sent at 8 wpm and passed. On a straight key I got a bit sloppy at 13 but the examiner only cared about a good fist and that I knew the numbers. I thought there had to be 'two' minutes of solid no errors copy as one minute would've been too easy .... .. rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 6:05 AM

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

I believe in my attic I have a VIC-20, a Commodore 64 and an Apple II. I had an Atari but I think I sold it in a garage sale.

I remember writing programs in Basic for some of these.

I got my Extra in 1971. I remember the 1 minute of solid copy I had to write down for the CW receiving test. I also remember I was sending slightly slow on the sending test and the FCC examiner asked me to speed up a bit, which I did. I believe they were a little more lenient on the sending test than they were on the receiving test. Did they even have a sending test with the VE program?

I also took the Advanced and Extra written tests on that same day. The Advanced WAS more difficult than the Extra. But I passed them both. The FCC examiner in Chicago had a nickname with some of us - "Mr. Weasel." I heard he never smiled. After I'd passed the Extra CW and the Advanced written tests, he gave me the Extra exam and said something like "Here's another one for you to pass." And he almost smiled.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Jul 16, 2009 at 7:25 AM, Deacon Dave < w1mce@... >
wrote:

I changed the subject line.

My first personal computer was an Atari ... about the same vintage as the Commodore. For you younger ones, that was many years before the IBM or PC was even thought about. The Atari was a game computer that could be programmed in Basic to do other things.

I took my CW test around 1955, I think, at the FCC Boston also with a straight key.

I took my Extra Class CW test at Field Day 100% by accident. I had my Advanced ticket and was hanging in the VE tent chatting with some "olfarts" while an individual was struggling with his 20 wpm test. I recited the full message to the people I was sitting with. Two of them were active VEs. So, on their recommendation I took the Extra exam and passed.

I found the old Advanced Class exam to be more demanding than the Extra Class of 10 years ago. I also found the old FCC requirement on CW [circa 1955] as 1 minute solid copy no errors or omission more demanding than the 20 wpm Extra of 10+ years ago.

This meandering down old history roads just confirms that I'm getting old!

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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 7:11 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did
NOT invent it!

Hey DD - don't know if I'm old enuf for that. Unlike you
oldtimers, my first computer was an IBM 8088 with two single sided 5¼" 360k
diskettes and the memory was a whopping 64k memory. I had to boot up in A
drive and then do a B:\ to go into the working disk. Then along came an AST
sixpack - wow! For packet I used a dumb terminal as a Comadore 64 was too
expensive. My present radio is still a FT101E. My CW test at the FCC
(that's right - FCC) was done with a straight key .... ..
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----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 3:45 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore
did NOT invent it!

You are OLD!! Join the group! We should start a new group
... Foggymemories@... OTC for Old TimersClub
----- Original Message -----
From: rmontemerlo
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 9:11 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did
NOT invent it!

In the early 70's I was a system engineer for a small
company in CT which replaced Model 28 TTY (yep of RTTY fame) in the Fortune
300 companies with a batch email terminal which picked up email in the
evening using a IBM 2780 protocol either on a customers computer or via our
email servers. First terminals used and endless loop mag tape and the
followon was processor based.

One of the first store and forward email implementations...

Yikes almost 40 years ago....

Feeling old

Bob KB1JZU

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.375 / Virus Database: 270.13.15/2239 - Release Date:
07/15/09 06:07:00

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07/16/09 05:58:00

10307. Re: [DX-IS] Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 03:58:10 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10290 Message: 10307

Hi John,

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and Tom, K2TA (SK), who I know had it running on a PC can't help.
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10308. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 12:17:13 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 10243 Message: 10308

On Thu, Jul 16, 2009 at 5:30 PM, Deacon Dave<w1mce@...> wrote:
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Mine would be :"Features Supported" followed by execution of the
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Geoff
VE1GW

10309. Re: [DX-IS] Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 12:53:21 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10243 Message: 10309
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Geoff,

Things were a lot more leisurely back then. Imagine highly paid
engineers keypunching their own IBM cards via hunt and peck.
I recall the Philco 2000 with its BKS paper tape input. It would read
the tape forward and backward and compare the data. If the same, the
data was "good" and it would try to run the program. I think that
machine had a whopping 8K of memory.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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10310. Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 13:24:45 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 10281 Message: 10310

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KD5XB

10311. Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 13:28:51 UTC
From: johnb3030
Topic: 10290 Message: 10311

I was aware that there are C-64 emulator programs for the PC. The stumbling block is that the Dr. DX was a ROM plug-in for the C-64. It sounds like K2TA had solved the problem of extracting the program from the ROM and transferring it to disc. If you can locate your floppy with the program, I'd be very interested in getting a copy from you.

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10312. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 13:40:56 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10281 Message: 10312

I haven't joined QCWA OR the OOTC yet although I qualify. Maybe that's that
I'm afraid will happen.
I'm enjoying this thread, though!

When I was a Novice and for a long time after upgrading to General I had no
concept at all of the sunspot cycle and very little concept of grayline
propagation. I just knew there were certain times it seemed best to hear and
work Europe, Africa or Pacific on 40 and 15 meters. Some DX did occasionally
come into the Novice bands and work us back then. CO2BB was one of them. I
worked a station in Okinawa on 15 when I was a Novice.

Shortly after I got my General license I worked a Novice who was calling CQ
on about 7035 kHz. The Novice band at the time was 7150-7200 kHz. I asked
why he was out of band and he said it was the only crystal he had! It was
probably meant for the 15 meter Novice band (21100-21150?). I hope he made
it to General.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

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10313. [425ENG] 425 DX News #950

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 16:09:18 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10313 Message: 10313

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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5B - Alan, 5B4AHJ will participate in the IOTA Contest as P3J from his home QTH on Cyprus (AS-004). Expect him to operate SSB and CW on all bands. QSL via 5B4AHJ. [TNX 5B4AHJ]
9A - Jane/S57L, Goran/S52P, Vinko/S53F, Brane/S56UGB and Silvo/S50X, will be active as 9A8ZRS from Vela Palagruza (EU-090) from 20 to 31 July, IOTA Contest included. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31 on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, plus 6 and 2 metres. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX F5NQL]
9A - Gert, OE3ZK will operate CW, SSB and RTTY as 9A/OE3ZK from the island of Korcula (EU-016) on 21-30 July, including an entry (CW) in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX OE3ZK]
A4 - A team from the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society will participate in the IOTA Contest as A43SI from Suwadi Island (AS-112). QSL via A47RS. [TNX A41MA]
CE - The Radio Club Rancagua (CE4RG, formerly as Radio Club of Chile) was established on 22 July 1936. Celebrating their 73rd anniversary, club members will operate with special event callsign CE73RG for 73 days starting on 22 July. Expect activity on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB, CW and PSK. QSL via CE4WJK.
CT9 - Twelve operators from Portugal and Madeira will be operate SSB, CW and digital modes as CR3D and CR3R from Chao Island (AF-046), Madeira 24-26 July. Part of the team will focus on the IOTA Contest (with two stations), while the rest will concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres, plus 6, 4 and 2 metres. QSL direct to CT1BOL. Further information at http://www.qrz.com/db/CR3D [TNX CT1BOL]
EI - A combined team from the South Dublin Radio Club and the City of Belfast Radio Amateur Society will participate in the IOTA Contest as EJ0GI from Inis Oirr, Aran Islands (EU-006). QSL via EI2SDR. Some team members may be active under their home calls before and after contest between 23 and 27 July: one of them will be David, EI3GKB (GI8SKN), who will operate as EJ3GKB on 80-6 metres. [TNX

EI3GKB]
EA8 - Celebrating the opening of the Gran Telescopio Canarias, the largest optical telescope in the world (http://www.gtc.iac.es/en/), special event callsign AO8GTC will be used from the observatory at Roque de los Muchachos on La Palma, Canary Islands (AF-004) on 25-26 July. Expect activity on CW, SSB and digital modes by four stations. QSL via EA8RCP. [TNX EA8NQ]
EA9 - Look for JR1AIB to be active as EA9/DJ1AIB from Melilla on 22-26 July. He will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 160-6 metres. QSL via JR1AIB. [TNX NG3K]
ES - ES1LS, ES1QV, ES2EZ, ES2DJ and ES2QN will participate in the IOTA Contest (25-26 July) as ES0U from Saaremaa Island (EU-034). QSL via ES2DJ, bureau preferred.
F - On 25 July 1909 Louis Bleriot became the first person to fly a powered aircraft across the English Channel from Calais to Dover. Commemorating the centenry of that historic flight, the Radio Club of Cambrai (F8KGN) will be active as TM1LB until 27 July. QSL via the REF bureau. [TNX F8REF]
F - Ed, GW3SQX will be active as TM7O from Oleron Island (EU-032) on 25-27 July, including a CW only entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via GW3SQX, direct only. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
F - Jan, ON7JA will be active as F/ON7JA from Ile de Noirmoutier (EU-064) on 25-27 July. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
G - Commemorating Louis Bleriot's historic flight, the Dover Amateur Radio Club (http://www.darc.org.uk/) will operate special event station GB100LB on 25-26 July. QSL via operator's instructions.
GI - John/EI4GK, Pete/EI4GZB, Joe/EI7GY, Declan/EI9HQ and Pete/GI4VIV will participate in the IOTA Contest from Rathlin Island (EU-122). They will operate as GI0MPG from Rathlin East Lighthouse. QSL via GI0MPG. Prior to the contest some of the operators may be active using MI/homecall. [TNX EI4GK]
GM - Doug, GM0ELP (CW) and Simon, M0GBK (SSB) will be active as MM3T from the Isle of Skye (EU-008) on 25-26 July for the IOTA Contest. QSL via eQSL only, as "we do not have paper QSL cards" (but IOTA chasers will be able to claim credit online once the contest logs are uploaded to www.rsgbiota.org in 2010). [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
GM - Paul, M3KBU will participate in the IOTA Contest as MM3KBU/p from the Isle of Mull (EU-008). He will also be visiting several islands in either the Inner (EU-008) and the Outer Hebrides (EU-010) on 1-16 August. Please check MM3KBU at www.qrz.com for updates. QSL via M3KBU. [TNXwww.rsgbiota.org]
HB0 - David, ON4DN will be active as HB0/ON4DN/p from Liechtenstein on 24-26 July. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB and digital modes, with a focus on 30m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4DN]
HL - Han/DS2GOO, Yang/DS4CDA, Ryou/DS4NYE, Rocky/HL1VAU and a few other guest operators will be active as homecall/4 from Pigum Island (AS-060) on 25-27 July. They will have two complete stations with a dozen of verticals near saltwater, and will operate CW, SSB and

digital modes on 80-10 metres; if the band is opend, they will
also give 6m a try. QSL via home calls. During the IOTA Contest
they will use D93I (QSL via DS4NYE). [TNX HL1VAU]
IS0 - Massimo, I0PNM will participate in the IOTA Contest as IM0/I0PNM
from San Pietro Island (EU-165). He will operate SSB on 40-10
metres. In the following weeks, and especially on 15-16 August,
expect him to operate from the lighthouse at Capo Sandalo (ARHLS
SAR-018) on 40-10 metres SSB and PSK31. QSL via home call. [TNX
I0PNM]
IS0 - Emiliano, IS0BRQ says he will be active from Ferraglione Island
(EU-024, IIA CA-033) for part of the IOTA Contest. He plans to
operate QRP starting early in the morning of 26 July.
LZ - Gabriele/IK3GES, Boyan/LZ1BJ and Lyuben/LZ1ZC will be active as
LZ/IK3GES, LZ1BJ/1 and LZ1ZC/1 from the island of Sveta Anastasiya
(EU-181) on 24-27 July. They plan to run 100 watts into a
10-element log-periodic on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres, with some
possible activity on 40, 30 and 6 metres. QSL via home calls,
bureau preferred. [TNX LZ1BJ]
OZ - Jakob, OZ7AEI will be active as OZ7AEI/p from Bornholm Island
(EU-030) on 19-26 July. He plans to operate on 20 and 40 metres
SSB from a few lighthouses (updates on activations to be posted at
http://www.oz7aei.dk). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX
OZ7AEI]
PA - PD5CW, PE1OPM and PE1OXV will be active from Schouwen Duiveland
(EU-146) on 24-26 July, IOTA Contest included. Look for activity
on 80-10 metres SSB and CW. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
SM - John, G3LAS will operate SSB and CW as SM5/G3LAS from Fogdo Island
(EU-084) on 23-27 July, IOTA Contest included. [TNX The Daily DX]
SM - Kent, SM5ELV and Leif, SM5FWW will be active as SM5ELV/5 and
SM5FWW/5 from Aspoja Island (EU-177) for the IOTA Contest.
Non-contest activities will include PSK and 6 metres. QSL via
bureau. [TNX SM5ELV]
SV - Cliff, SV1JG and George, SV1RP will be active as SX8M from Milos
Island (EU-067) on 24-27 July, including an entry in the IOTA
Contest. QSL via SV1JG, direct or bureau. [TNX SV1JG]
TA - Special event callsign TC21BSR will be on the air from Istanbul
until 20 July for the 21st annual Bosphorus Race. QSL via TA1HZ.
[TNX TA1HZ]
UA - A team of Russian operators will be active as UE1CBB from Bol'shoy
Berezovyy Island (EU-133) on 22-27 July. They will participate in
the IOTA Contest as RI1AA. QSL for both callsigns via UA1AIR,
direct or bureau. [TNX UA1AIR]
VE - Ken/W8ND, Butch/N8CHS and Kelly/K8MCN will be active as W8ND/VE1
from Big Tancook Island (NA-081) on 23-26 July. QSL via K8MCN,
direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
VE - Frank, VE7DP and Heinz, VA7AQ will take part in the IOTA Contest
from Taxeda Island (NA-091). [TNX VA7AQ]
VE - Cezar, VE3LYC plans to operate as VY0O from the Ottawa Islands
(NA-230, new one) for three full days between 25 July and 10
August. Specific island's name and exact dates are not available

at this time, but they will be announced a few days id advance of the operation. This will be Cezar's most difficult operation to date. The islands are 12-14 hours away from shore and transportation requires a large boat. Traditionally unstable weather pattern, unknown local landing conditions, high seas, the presence of ice chunks in Hudson Bay, potential presence of polar bears, all these and other logistical aspects make this trip extremely challenging. At this time Cezar seeks group and individual donors who understand and appreciate the difficult and expensive task ahead and are willing to be part of this effort. "Past support from EU stations has been disproportionate with their QSO demand (45% of QSOs but only 25% support for VY0A)", he says, but hopefully this situation will improve. [TNX VE3LYC]
VE - VE1VOX and VE1AOE will be active as VC1W from Welsh Island (NA-154) on 12-16 August (depending on weather conditions). They will have two stations and more operators might join the expedition. QSL via VE3EXY. [VE1VOX]
W - Steve, W3RFA and Bob, KB3NYX will operate from Smith Island (NA-140) on 25-26 July for the IOTA Contest. This will be a micro-expedition with limited equipment, as they are getting to the island by sea kayak. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
YJ - Chris, VK3QB plans to be active (requested call YJ0QB) from Vanuatu on 20-27 July. He will operate holiday style during his afternoons and evenings on 40 metres CW, with possible activity on 30, 20 and 15 metres if the bands are open. [TNX The Daily DX]

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QSL R1ANL ---> "Since most of the QSL requests for the 1997-99 R1ANL operation by Nikolay Zinin (RW6ACM) from Novolazarevskaya Base (Antarctica) remained unprocessed by the previous QSL manager (UA6AH), I took over the QSL management of this activity", Dominik, DL5EBE says. "After some delay, I finally managed to enter the handwritten log (14000 QSOs) into the computer and upload all contacts to LoTW". Those who need a paper QSL card can send their request to DL5EBE, direct (see qrz.com) or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to weield@...). [TNX DL5EBE]

QSL VIA TA3J ---> Nilay Mine Aydogmus, TA3YJ has transferred all of her duties as a QSL manager to her husband Berkin, TA3J. Affected callsigns are listed at http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3j/qslservice.htm [TNX TA3J]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Jean-Luc Maingot (F5PC), Roy S. Hartley (G0HDX), Jim Leist (KB5W), Richard R. Clay (KC0TJ), Thomas F. McDuffie (KM6K), Ernest J. Zingleman (KS4Q), Buck Barto (N9PLJ), Antoni Zebik (SP7LA), Henry L. Luhrman (W4PZV) and James E. Mullin (W8KKK).

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4U1WB KK4HD EV5OP DL7VFM SM200PAX SK2AT
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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR: Sorry for the delay in sending out the bulletin. I had a great holiday weekend with my daughter in Murfreesboro, TN. Thanks for the understanding... 73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 28th-June, through Sunday, 5th-July there were 206 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

13 COLONIES INDEPENDENCE SPECIAL EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT. Ken Villone, KU2US, Award Manager, has announced that "All operators that needed 'K2D' on HF for their last station of a 'CLEAN SWEEP', will be given credit on their

certificate, due to an unfortunate situation.... Thank you for understanding and your participation." For more details, go to:
http://www.qrz.com/db/KU2US
-or-
http://home.comcast.net/~dzabawa/ThirteenColonies.htm

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update). Jan, DJ8NK, informs OPDX that based on the crew that activated Chesterfield Island as TX9 some years back, Hawa, DK9KX, as team leader, has formed a new crew which will operate from Conway Reef during the period of October 1-10th, 2009, plus/minus due to weather conditions. Hans, DL6JGN, the leader of 3D2CR crew, who operated from the island 20 years ago, will also join Hawa's team. As of press time, the team consists of the following: Norbert/DJ7JC, Jan/DJ8NK, Dieter/DJ9ON, Heye/DJ9RR, Hawa/DK9KX, Hans/DL6JGN and Ron/PA3EWP. The callsign will be announced at the starting date. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL Manager is DJ8NK QSL direct or by the Bureau. PLEASE NOTE: New IRCs are "OK", but old IRCs with expiration date December 31st, 2009, are not "OK", because QSL cards most likely will be sent out in January 2010. A Web page will be active soon at: http://www.conwayreef2009.de

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. Chris, 4W6FR, works for the Australian Armed Forces and is stationed in Timor-Leste periodically. He has finally been given permission to operate and has his license in hand now. He has begun operating but only operates as time permits outside of his work hours. It seems he really likes working PSK, especially on 20 and 17 meters. There has been some QSNs reported on 20 meters SSB. Most of his activity takes place between 0900-1300z. QSL via VK4FW, direct or the OQRS at: http://www.odxg.org

5V, TOGO. Franco, I1FQH, will be active as 5V7PRF from Kpalime between July 22-30th. This will be a very light DXpedition with activity on 80-10 meters using mostly CW and some SSB (no Digital modes or 6m). He will use 100 watts into a Spiderbeam for 20/17/15m as well as a vertical and wire dipoles for the other bands. QSL via I1FQH, LoTW, eQSL or Bureau. Look for updates on QRZ.com or http://twitter.com/i1fqh

5Z, KENYA. Bob, K4UEE, will be here between July 10-17th, doing a short term mission work. (See: http://www.410bridge.org) He informs OPDX that he will be in the Kwambekenya village located about 3-4 hours north of Nairobi. He is involved in several different projects including a video project and demonstrating amateur radio in the local high school. He hopes to be active for some DXing in the late evenings and early mornings local time. He has an IC-706 MKII, a "Beam in a Bag" and a dipole for 30/40m. This is definitely not a DXpedition and operating time is limited.

7P, LESOTHO (Update). A group of international operators will be operating from Lesotho starting July 29th through August 13th. They will be operating with the equipment supplied by African DX Safari in Johannesburg. The following operators will be on the air: Dr. Gasper "Pista" Istvan/HA5AO (7P8AO), Ben Pyfer/DJ0YI (7P8YI), Laurent Thomin/W0MM (7P8MM), John

Plenderleith/9M6XRO (7P8OK) and Charles "Frosty" Frost/K5LBU (7P8CF). They will have 2 stations on most of the time and might have a 3rd for PSK and RTTY. Activity will be on all bands and they hope to work as many of you on 160/80 meters. They will have a 70 foot vertical which works great on those bands. For 40, they will have a 4 sq. dipole setup on one of the towers. Two trailers with towers will have Tennadayne T8 LogP antennas at about 55 feet. For 30 meters a sloper off one tower will be used. Also, a M2 6 meter beam will be up as well. QSL via each operator's own home callsign except for 9M6XRO/7P8OK who is via M0URX in the UK. ADDED NOTE: Operators from the 4M5DX group were not able to join up with the African DX Safari group due to things beyond their control. The African DX Safari group wished that they could but things did not work out for them.

8N, JAPAN. The JARL will activate 9 HQ stations from various regions in Japan during the 2009 IARU HF Championship this weekend. Each station listed below may be active on other bands other than specified as below outside the contest before the contest weekend. All QSOs will be QSLed automatically via the Bureau. Look for the following 9 HQ stations:

Callsign	Band/Mode during the Contest	Location
8N1HQ	15m-CW	Kimitsu City, Chiba
8N1HQ	160m-CW, 10m-CW	Minato Ku, Tokyo
8N1HQ	80m-Phone	Minami-Ashigara City, Kanagawa
8N2HQ	10m-Phone	Nakatsugawa City, Gifu
8N3HQ	15m-Phone	Nara City, Nara
8N3HQ	40m-CW	Kobe City, Hyogo
8N3HQ	20m-CW	Miki City, Hyogo
8N4HQ	80m-CW, 40m-Phone	Okayama City, Okayama
8N8HQ	20m-Phone	Iwamizawa City, Hokkaido

9A, CROATICA. Zik, VE3ZIK (DO7ZZ), will once again be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice between July 2nd and August 3rd. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest from IOTA group EU-170. QSL via DO7ZZ, direct or by the bureau (E-mail requests for Bureau QSL cards can be sent to Zik via zibert@...). Logs will be uploaded to eQSL and LoTW.

CX, URUGUAY. The members of the "RADIO CLUB URUGUAYO" will be active as CX1AA during the upcoming IARU CONTEST activity, from 1200z Saturday, July 11th until 1200z Sunday, July 12th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB with two stations on each band, one station on CW and the another on SSB. QSL Manager for this activity is W3HNK.

DX SUMMIT (SOON READY FOR 2-WAY COMMUNICATION WITH OVER 110,000 MONTHLY USERS -- http://www.dxsummit.fi/dxspots.aspx): The OH8X Team reports: "The Radio Arcala DX Summit portal is celebrating the milestone of one million monthly hits over a course of several months and more than 110,000 people spending an average of 35 minutes on the site daily. The top five nations using the service are as follows:

USA (28.5%) followed by Germany, United Kingdom, Italy and Japan. In total, users from 170 DXCC countries have entered the service portal. With new visits approaching 19% during the month of May, an increase of users is quite evident.

In the process of making the DX Summit service more focused on younger user segments and non-amateur radio population, two features have been added recently.

Each spotting and spotted callsign is automatically linked to QRZ.COM, providing a more human link to the personal profiles of people and to their pictures. Just click the callsigns and you will automatically enter the relevant QRZ.COM page. Additionally, each line carries the name of the DXCC country spotted.

In a few months time, custom selected filters will be provided to the public allowing users to receive personalized spots that they would like to receive. While initially the selected spots will be sent to your personal email address, the ultimate aim is to offer an SMS (short message service) option to DX Summit users.

This service is a non-profit exercise for Radio Arcala, OH8X but we are pleased to recognize Yasme Foundation and Nokia Corporation for their support of further development and defrayment of operating expenses of the portal. As the servers are in the hands of a professional service provider in the United States, some interruptions are recorded and changing the service provider is in process.

Also, a Help Desk for regular users and for S/W developers is being set up. Here it is suggested that DX Summit open a channel for accepting voluntary donations to keep the Help Desk operational. On a trial basis, through PayPal, DX Summit accepts donations and, additionally, following a donation of 10 USD or 10 EUR, Radio Arcala will send you a full-color Radio Arcala wall calendar postpaid. This option is valid only for the months of July and August. http://www.dxsummit.fi/donate.aspx

We thank you for your support of and interest in Radio Arcala DX Summit."

G & GM, ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND. The RSGB will be represented in the IARU HF Championship by GB7HQ from two separate DXCC entities this year (G,GM). The contest runs July 11-12th. G3LZQ is handling special certificates for those working GB7HQ:
* Bronze award - contact GB7HQ on three band/modes
* Silver award - contact GB7HQ on six band/modes
* Gold award - contact GB7HQ on nine band/modes
* Platinum award - contact GB7HQ on all twelve band/modes
Further details of the award can be found at:
http://www.gb7hq.com/Award-Info.html
When you contact one operator, he can give you the frequency of the next GB7HQ station to work to assist in making contacts for the awards. QSL are being handled by G3TXF: direct, bureau, or LoTW. Full details of the station hosts, locations, operators, WAB squares and grid locators can be found at: http://www.gb7hq.com/2009/2009-Ops-List.html

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-047. Andy, DL7AT, will be active as DL7AT/M from Norderney Island (N-05 for the German Islands award), July 17-24th. He will also activate the Norderney lighthouse (ARLHS FED-025, GLHA #39, WLH DL-021, WLOTA 1621). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-090. A group of Slovenian operators will be active as 9A8ZRS from Vela Palagruza Island (ACIA IC-901, CIA-33, IOCA CI-084, MIA MC-284, ARLHS CRO-012, CLH-100, WHL 9A-046, WLOTA 0057) between July 20-31st. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10/6/2 meters using CW, SSB, PSK-31 and possibly other digital modes. Their operations will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are: Jane/S57L, Goran/S52P, Vinko/S53F, Brane/S56UGB and Silvo/S50X. QSL via the operator's instructions.

EU-121. Members of the Dalkey Island Contest Group plan to activate Clare Island for the upcoming RSGB IOTA Contest which takes place on July 25-26th. The callsign EJ1DD will be used in a "100 watt DXpedition" entry. QSL information is via EI7CC. Operators will be EI2CA, EI5DI, EI6EW, EI7CC, EI7CD, EI8BP and EI8CE. Look for activity also from the individual operators using the EJ prefix between July 23-27th.

EU-135. Anders, SM5EFX, will be active as SM5EFX/2 from Ledskar Island, July 19-31st. Activity will be on all HF bands/modes. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) using the special callsign SF2X. QSL both callsigns to SM5EFX, direct or by the bureau.

EU-146. Operators Frans/PA5CA, Jan/PA0JED, Arend/PA2AWU, Dervin/PD9DX and Marcel/PA9M will be active as PA6Z from Schouwen Duiveland during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Multi-Op/ Single-Transmitter entry. QSL via PA9M, direct or by the bureau.

EU-165. Joe, IS0MKX, will lead a team of 15 operators to activate Asinara Island (SS-061, for Italian Island Award) between July 22-26th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). The callsign will be IM0M. QSL via IS0MKX. For more info, please visit: http://digilander.libero.it/assoradiomarinai/asinara/home.htm

EU-175. Operators Luis/CT1EEQ, Arlindo/CT1EGW, Hermann/CT3FN/HB9CRV, Antonio/CU8AS, Jurgen/DJ2VO and Ruedi/HB9CQL will be active as CR2F from the Island of Faial (DIP AZ-007) between July 18-31st. Activity will be from the Ribeirinha Lighthouse (DFP FAZ-17, ARLHS AZO-020, WLH CU-007, WLOTA 1830, WW Loc. HM58QO), located at Cedros. They plan to be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to be active around 50.113 MHz with CR2W as callsign. The team will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th), using the callsign CR2W as a Multi-Single/Expedition entry. QSL via CT1GFK, bureau OK; via

E-mail requests to: cu8at@... . For more information,
please visit: http://www.to-mk.com/neu/
Online logs will be available at: http://algarvedx.com/logonline

NA-140. Operators Steve/W3RFA and Bob/KB3NYX will be active as W3RFA
from Smith Island (USI MD-003S, Somerset County, Maryland)
for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). This is a "Micro-
DXpedition". They are getting to the island by sea kayak. All
gear will weigh less than 100 lbs ea. They will use 100 watts
into a wire antenna. QSL via their home callsigns.

SA-047. Operators Alexandre/PY5BH, Vagner/PY5DC, Fleck/PY5DJ, Fernando/
PY5FO and Goncalves/PY5IN will be active as PR5D from Ilha do
Mel (DIB PR-01, also count for WLOTA LH-1435) during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via PY5DC. Visit their Web
site at: http://www.alcad.com.br/radio

MOBILE TOUR (Europe). Jurij, MM0DFV, has started his 7000 km mobile tour
on July 7th. He reports, "I am taking my mobile HF gear, and will try
to be active from various places as much as possible. The route is:
GM - Scotland (MM0DFV/m) - G England (M0DFV/m) - F France (F/MM0DFV/m) -
ON - Belgium (ON/MM0DFV/m) - DL Germany (DL/MM0DFV/m) - SP Poland
(SP/MM0DFV/m) - EU Belarus (call sign is unknown yet) - UA Russia (RZ3??
= call plus various slashes, will get the license on arrival) - UN Kazakh-
stan (UN/RN3FX hopefully)... and inversely. My radio will be a Yaesu
FT-897D, Mobile Whips, Doublet and ATU MFJ-993 for portable stops, etc.
Main attention is to PSK. I will print different QSL-cards for each new
place I stop. On 10th August 2009 I plan to be back home. Please watch
me in case I am lost :)) All the best to all, and have a nice summer!"

OH0, ALAND ISLAND (CHALLENGING THE HIGH WINDS). Martti, OH2BH, reports:
"Sailing out on Thursday morning under command of captain Jaakko, OH1TX,
the group of Toshi/JA8BMK, Aki/OH1ZE and Martti/OH2BH will be setting the
sail from the coast of Finland toward waters of Aland Islands in spite of
a poor weather prediction. You can expect their activity starting late
Thursday around 1400 UTC. QSL via JA8BMK."

P4, ARUBA (Special Event & Contest). Operators Bob/W3BTX (P49T) and Roy/W3TEF
(P4/W3TEF) will once again activate P41USA this year over the anniversary
date of the USA attacks on September 11th, 2001. Look for P41USA to be active
on all bands between September 8-17th. Activity will include the September VHF
Contest. All QSLs go to W3TEF.

PX8, BRAZIL (Rare State). Alex, PY2WAS, will be activating Amapa State
(one of the 27 Brazilian States, the rarest one) after 12 years without
any DX ham activity. Amapa is located in the estuary of the Amazona River
in the Amazonic Region. Callsign will be PX8W and activity will take place
between August 1-2nd. Activity will be on 80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters
using CW and SSB. QSL cards must be sent via PY2WAS, directly or by the
Bureau. Please, check QRZ.com for more details.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
5Z4/RW1AU NOW QRT. Valery, 5Z4/RW1AU, is now QRT from Nairobi, and is back home in St.Petersburg. His work assignment spanned almost one year, from August 2008 through June 2009. During that period Val used the 5Z4RS Club Station in Nairobi as time allowed between work responsibilities to make almost 12,000 QSOs on 40-10m, using both CW and SSB modes. QSL info Update: Direct QSLs are now OK to Valery's home address below, but cards to RW1AU will also be responded-to via the bureau. Valery's address is: Valery Baisha, P.O.Box 16, St.Petersburg, 195426 RUSSIA. QSLs are also "OK" via K5XK. See QRZ.com for RW1AU for more details.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 3D2YA, 5N0OCH, A7/M0FGA, K5D, PY1OTO/PY0T, SV5/G0TSM, SV9CVY and WP2B

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5N0OCH, 5V7PM, 9J2YO, BW9/DL2JRM/P, CX7CO, DU3NXE, EA6AZ, EA9CF, EX8AB, HV0A, J88DR, K5D, PA4VHF, SV8/DL8MCA, TI7KK, UN6G, VK9LA and YJ0SS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9G5MM, UA6AN and TM2RWC

RARE STATE/GRIDS ON THE BIRDS. OPDX Webmaster John, K8YSE, will be active from Delaware, FM29, and possibly other Delaware grids between July 9-12th. Operations will be limited to the FM birds AO27, SO50 and AO51. He will look for a location that can see the western horizon and hopes to work those that did not work ND9M/P a few weeks ago. Equipment is a Kenwood TM-V7A mobile and an Arrow 146/437-10. QSL via K8YSE.
ADDED NOTE: John's son, Doug, KD8CAO, was active from EN86, Drummond Island, MI, during the past few days. He worked 17 stations on a AO51 pass at 2240z, July 7th. He was also active from EN86 on July 8th, which is a very rare grid. Doug should be active on Thursday, July 9th, from EN76. Doug is using his TH-D7AG and the Arrow antenna on the FM birds and a TS2000 with doppler control for the SSB birds.

S50, SLOVENIA. The Radio Amateur Association of Slovenia, Zveza Radioamaterjev Slovenije (ZRS), will be active as S50HQ in the IARU HF World Championship Contest as a Multi-Op/IARU HQ station entry. Look for the Multi-Op stations on the following bands and modes:

Contest Call	Band	Mode	Operators
S50HQ	10	SSB	S53XX
S50HQ	10	CW	S58A
S50HQ	15	SSB	S52ZW,S57UN,S52EZ
S50HQ	15	CW	S50U
S50HQ	20	SSB	S50K
S50HQ	20	CW	S57DX
S50HQ	40	SSB	S51ZO,S51FB,S55HH
S50HQ	40	CW	S52AW,S53F
S50HQ	80	SSB	S52ZW,S57UN
S50HQ	80	CW	S50A
S50HQ	160	SSB	S57M, S56P
S50HQ	160	CW	S53O

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLANDS (Update). Tommy, VK2IR, team leader of the upcoming VK9NI operation (See OPDX.914), will operate as VK9IR while setting up before the team arrives on the island for 3 days between July 19-22nd. QSL via VK2IR.

VP9, BERMUDA. Kyle, WA4PGM, will once again be traveling to Bermuda between July 10-20th. He plans to be active in the IARU, NAQP RTTY, and CQ VHF Contest. Callsign was not mentioned, but possibly VP9/WA4PGM or a special callsign for the contests. QSL direct to WA4PGM, please use PO Box address.

WWF ACTIVITIES. According to an official/authorized representative of WFF program in England, Charlie, M0OXO, plans to organize a series of WFF expeditions in Britain during July as follows:
July 10-13th - Holy Island (GFF-013); callsign GB1HI
July 21-22nd - Pembrokeshire Coast (GFF-015); callsign MW0OXO/p
July 23-27th - Ramsey Island (GWFF-072), Wales; callsigns MC0SHL/p and MW9W
For more info on the "World Flora Fauna" (WFF) award, please visit:
http://www.wff44.com/en

YC0, INDONESIA. Hotang, YC0IEM, will be active as YC0IEM/9 from Bali (OC-022) between now and July 27th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via IZ8CCW.

YR0, ROMANIA (Award Available). The YR0HQ team has announced that they will participate in the 2009 IARU World Wide Championship. They also announced that an award will be issued, free of charge, to all radio amateurs who will contact YR0HQ during the contest period. The YR0HQ award could be printed in different format sizes and colors in accordance with the applied class, depending of how many contacts have been made, as follows: Extra Class - 12 QSOs
1st Class - 9 QSOs
2nd Class - 6 QSOs
3rd Class - 3 QSOs
They are still designing the awards for the different classes. However, only one award will be given no matter how many contacts have been made. Send the application, along with the log extract, to one of the following addresses:
By mail to: FRR, YR0HQ AWARD, BOX 22-50, RO-014780 BUCURESTI 22 ROMANIA
By E-mail to: yo3apj@...

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE

OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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10316. ARLP029 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 20:19:02 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5284 Message: 10316

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ARLP029 Propagation de K7RA

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin 29 ARLP029
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA July 17, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP029 Propagation de K7RA

We saw a nice run of eight days with a large sunspot, but none have emerged in the six days since. Unlike other recent spots, this one did not appear just for one or two days, then vanish.

Check the data at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt and note the Sunspot Area, expressed in millionths of a solar hemisphere, which kept growing after the daily Sunspot Number peaked at 26.

The solar flux dropped below 70 on July 9, two days before the disappearance of this latest spot, and it has stayed there since. Solar flux is expected to rise to 70 or above July 25 through August 5. The same 45-day forecast at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html (I am looking at the July 16 forecast) predicts continued quiet and mild geomagnetic conditions, with planetary A index of 5. The only predicted larger values we see for the next few weeks are 10 on July 21, 8 on July 28-29, and 8 and 7 on August 5-6. This is a wonderful aspect of the weak solar wind, which does not play havoc with propagation as it does during stormier times.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions for July 17-20, unsettled July 21, quiet to unsettled July 22, and back to quiet on July 23.

Many of us have been longing for the days of daily sunspot numbers above 100, but there was a downside, and that was from heightened geomagnetic activity. While this could be nice for VHF operators wishing to aim their beams north and refract their signals off of aurora, for everyone else, especially those at higher latitudes, the effect on HF was not a good one.

I was looking in old issues of our propagation bulletin for examples, but found that our archive online only goes back to

January of 1995, and we didn't begin recording any geomagnetic numbers until October 1996 when it was suggested by Robert Wood, WB5CRG (now W5AJ). It began with just the planetary A index in ARLP042 on October 11 (see http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/1996-arlp042.html).

But looking back in bulletins from 1997 and especially 1998, we can see geomagnetic indicators that could wipe out HF communications for days at a time, causing some operators to believe that their radio was broken or feedline was cut.

Go to http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/ and click on the ''Show older bulletins'' link toward the upper center of the page.

Any time the A index is above 15, conditions may begin to get rough. For 1997, check the bulletins numbered 40, 42, 44, 46 and 48. Note that on some days, the planetary A index could get into the mid or high twenties, or even worse, the forties or sixties. ARLP048 from 1997 describes a severe geomagnetic storm.

Conditions became tougher in 1998. For that year, check out bulletins 13, 18, 19, 27, 30-33, 35, 36, 40, 43, 46 and 47. Some days had planetary A index readings of 48, 52, 60, 69, 78, 96, 112 and even 121. This made HF conditions tough all over, but talk to someone who was trying to operate from Alaska in 1998. Ketchikan is above 55 degrees North latitude, and Juneau above 58, but Anchorage is above 61 degrees, and Fairbanks, nearly 65 degrees north latitude, about 120 miles south of the Arctic Circle. The further north you are, the more pronounced are the effects of geomagnetic disturbances.

So enjoy this weak solar wind. It wasn't always like this.

Bob Leo, W7LR of Bozeman, Montana has worked with radios for many years. He is 88 now, and you can see his bio at http://www.qrz.com/w7lr. Bob reports a personal first on July 9 when he heard Europe on 6 meters, which he says is new and exciting. At 1356z on 6 meter CW he spent a half hour working CT1HZE (Portugal) with strong signals. Bob was running 100 watts into a 7-element Yagi at 45 feet.

Bill Gannaway, a reader in Greenville, Texas experienced some dramatic sporadic-E skip on July 10. Around 2200z Bill was driving home from work, and trying to listen to a strong local station when it was covered over by a station in Tucson. He tuned up the dial, and found a number of Phoenix and Tucson stations all up the band. A useful tool for identifying broadcast stations by frequency, location and callsign, is http://www.radio-locator.com/. Click on Advanced Search.

Robert Forsman, WK5X of Stuart's Draft, Virginia reports an interesting six meter experience on July 6.

''I've often wondered about what the shortest possible single-hop distance would be on 6 meter sporadic-E. Until the opening of July 6 of this year, my personal shortest QSO via 6 meter sporadic-E was just a bit longer than 300 miles. During these types of openings, I work grid squares that are otherwise difficult''.

''Around 2300z on July 6, my XYL informed me (I was in the other end of the house) that my FT-897D, which I had accidentally left on, and parked on 50.095 MHz, was ''beeping loudly'' and that I needed to ''go turn that thing off''. I thanked her for alerting me to the band opening''.

''I'm not used to hearing 8's on 6 Meters. From my QTH in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley, most of the 8's that I've worked have been either in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, or a mountaintop contest station in nearby West Virginia. After settling at the rig, the first station that I worked was KA1VHF, near Columbus, OH. The second station that I worked was KA8HOK, Millersport, OH at a distance of only 234 miles. This was my shortest ever sporadic-E QSO. I also noted that these were some of the strongest non-local signals that I've ever heard on this band. A quick look at EA6VQ's estimated MUF real time map indicated that the estimated E-layer MUF at the midpoint between KA8HOK and myself was 303 MHz. I believe that that is the highest I've ever seen on 'VQ's real time map. Hopefully someone was able to take advantage of this on 1.25 Meters''.

''Then, as the MUF over the region began to fall, the band grew longer. My next contact was with northern Indiana, and then my next two were in southern Michigan''.

The EA6VQ tool that Bob refers to is at
http://www.vhfdx.net/spots/map.php.

>From July 8, Steve McDonald, VE7SL of Mayne Island, British Columbia sent this in.

''Just a note to tell you of some truly great propagation this past week on the magic band. Early on the morning of July 8 I had been chatting with Jack, OA4TT (140 km south of Lima Peru) on the ON4KST 50 MHz chat page. As everyone tends to do when propagation is slow, we were jokingly describing what it might take to get a signal from OA to VE7 on multi-hop Es. I posted that we needed the link to UT or Southern CA/Arizona, then into Mexico, Oceanic next and finally another hop down to Lima. As we mused, I was hearing strong single-hop into Utah. I left the shack for about an hour only to return to see that Jack had decided, just for fun, to send a few CW CQ's towards the USA on 50.1155. With little expectation, I moved the receiver down to Jack's frequency and immediately heard him calling CQ. After picking myself up from the floor, I gave him a short call to which he immediately responded. Signals were weak (449) and somewhat watery and fluttery which leads me to think that this was something other than multi-hop Es. At something over 5,000 miles, this mid-summer contact demonstrated why the 'magic' band

continues to live-up to its name''.

Check Steve's web page, the VE7SL Radio Notebook:
http://members.shaw.ca/ve7sl/

Martin McCormick, WB5AGZ of Stillwater, Oklahoma offered some very interesting comments on TV channels 2-6 after the digital TV transition.

''Central Oklahoma is now devoid of local signals between 54-88 MHz and the listening is interesting. Sunday July 12 was the last day of the ''Nightlight'' service that Congress authorized so that one TV station in each market could keep an analog transmitter going with a loop to tell the 1 or 2 people who hadn't figured it out yet what needed to be done to receive TV over the air.

KOCO Channel 5 in Oklahoma City was the last full-power analog to go dark there and Monday July 13 saw a moderate Es opening with Spanish language TV probably from Mexico fading in briefly around 17:00 UTC on 81.75 MHz.

A couple of propagation Observations:

We have had several days this year in which Mexican signals reached as far up as the low end of the FM Broadcast band. When that happened, TV Channels 2-6 were full of Spanish and sometimes English and French from Canada.

In a QST article of a couple of years ago, someone mentioned that it would be nice to see if we can get the 72-76 MHz band for North America. The services there now could move to an equal amount of space in one of the vacated TV channels and make this an interesting DX band.

A couple of weeks ago, I had left a receiver tuned to TV Channel 4 at 71.75 MHZ. We have had very hot summer days and the tropo at night has been fairly impressive. Instead of Es, I got literally hours of a Channel 4 television audio signal from somewhere within the central US. It was running the endless loop nightlight service with no aural ID so I don't know where it was, but it didn't fade out until after Sunrise at which time it went away fast. One can guess that 6 meters and 72 MHZ would have been hot during that night.

It is strange to spin the dial on a general coverage VHF receiver now and not hear the buzz of video and FM audio landmarks that were there since before many of our births, but Canada and Mexico will provide good propagation beacons for a few more years to come.

I believe it was February QST where I read that 37 US broadcasters will keep their new digital signals on Channels 2-6. I wonder for how long and how many Es openings it will take to change their minds''.

Thanks, Martin.

Jeff Lackey, K8CQ of St. Simons Island, Georgia writes:

''Six meters has been great as you have been commenting in your weekly solar update. And I had to tell you that even ''lousy antennas'' can work, such as my 15 ft flag pole that I use mostly on HF. But as a joke I found it would load up on 6 meters a couple of years ago. Over the last couple of weeks, I've made about 100 contacts on 6m in 19 states and 6 DX entities. Yesterday (15 July 2009) at 2050Z I worked CT1HZE. He was S5 when I worked him, but later he peaked to S8 working many NA stations. That was my first European QSO on 6m. Earlier around 2000Z I had heard EA8AK (S8) working into Spain. He didn't hear me. I heard several EU stations but all too weak to make contact.

So I am now up to 37 states and 13 DX entities on 6 meters with my flag pole antenna. I encourage others in CC&R situations to get on and try out this ''magic band.'' It is a lot of fun when Es band conditions exist. The beacons below 50.080 are a great help in knowing if the band is open. And don't be afraid to call CQ. I have done this many times when the band for me seemed dead. Every once in awhile I am surprised to get a response''.

Don't forget the CQ World Wide VHF Contest this weekend.

See http://www.cqww-vhf.com/ for details.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for July 9 through 15 were 15, 13, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 4. 10.7 cm flux was 69.1, 67.8, 68.2, 68, 67.2, 66.6, and 66.5 with a mean of 67.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 7, 4, 5, 10, 8 and 5 with a mean of 6.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 7, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 3 with a mean of 4.7.
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10317. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-17 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10317

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 198 Issued at 2200Z on 17 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low for the past 24 hours. No
solar flares have occurred. The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (18-20 July).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels for the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (18-20 July).
III. Event Probabilities 18 Jul-20 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 Jul 066
Predicted 18 Jul-20 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 17 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 Jul 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 Jul 001/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 Jul-20 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Jul-20 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10318. [425ENG] 425 DX News #950 [2]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 07:41:50 UTC
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Topic: 10318 Message: 10318

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This is the second attempt at sending 425DXN #950 and the relevant Calendar. Apparently something went wrong with the server yesterday, and the bulletin and/or the calendar did not reach quite a number of subscribers to the mailing list. If you got #950 regularly, please be patient and simply trash this message, as there is neither new nor updated information in it. Thank you.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5B - Alan, 5B4AHJ will participate in the IOTA Contest as P3J from his home QTH on Cyprus (AS-004). Expect him to operate SSB and CW on all bands. QSL via 5B4AHJ. [TNX 5B4AHJ]
9A - Jane/S57L, Goran/S52P, Vinko/S53F, Brane/S56UGB and Silvo/S50X, will be active as 9A8ZRS from Vela Palagruza (EU-090) from 20 to 31 July, IOTA Contest included. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31 on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, plus 6 and 2 metres. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX F5NQL]
9A - Gert, OE3ZK will operate CW, SSB and RTTY as 9A/OE3ZK from the island of Korcula (EU-016) on 21-30 July, including an entry (CW) in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX OE3ZK]
A4 - A team from the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society will participate in the IOTA Contest as A43SI from Suwadi Island (AS-112). QSL via A47RS. [TNX A41MA]
CE - The Radio Club Rancagua (CE4RG, formerly as Radio Club of Chile) was established on 22 July 1936. Celebrating their 73rd anniversary, club members will operate with special event callsign CE73RG for 73 days starting on 22 July. Expect activity on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB, CW and PSK. QSL via CE4WJK.
CT9 - Twelve operators from Portugal and Madeira will be operate SSB, CW and digital modes as CR3D and CR3R from Chao Island (AF-046), Madeira 24-26 July. Part of the team will focus on the IOTA Contest (with two stations), while the rest will concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres, plus 6, 4 and 2 metres. QSL direct to

CT1BOL. Further information at http://www.qrz.com/db/CR3D [TNX CT1BOL]
EI - A combined team from the South Dublin Radio Club and the City of Belfast Radio Amateur Society will participate in the IOTA Contest as EJ0GI from Inis Oirr, Aran Islands (EU-006). QSL via EI2SDR. Some team members may be active under their home calls before and after contest between 23 and 27 July: one of them will be David, EI3GKB (GI8SKN), who will operate as EJ3GKB on 80-6 metres. [TNX EI3GKB]
EA8 - Celebrating the opening of the Gran Telescopio Canarias, the largest optical telescope in the world (http://www.gtc.iac.es/en/), special event callsign AO8GTC will be used from the observatory at Roque de los Muchachos on La Palma, Canary Islands (AF-004) on 25-26 July. Expect activity on CW, SSB and digital modes by four stations. QSL via EA8RCP. [TNX EA8NQ]
EA9 - Look for JR1AIB to be active as EA9/DJ1AIB from Melilla on 22-26 July. He will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 160-6 metres. QSL via JR1AIB. [TNX NG3K]
ES - ES1LS, ES1QV, ES2EZ, ES2DJ and ES2QN will participate in the IOTA Contest (25-26 July) as ES0U from Saaremaa Island (EU-034). QSL via ES2DJ, bureau preferred.
F - On 25 July 1909 Louis Bleriot became the first person to fly a powered aircraft across the English Channel from Calais to Dover. Commemorating the centenry of that historic flight, the Radio Club of Cambrai (F8KGN) will be active as TM1LB until 27 July. QSL via the REF bureau. [TNX F8REF]
F - Ed, GW3SQX will be active as TM7O from Oleron Island (EU-032) on 25-27 July, including a CW only entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via GW3SQX, direct only. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
F - Jan, ON7JA will be active as F/ON7JA from Ile de Noirmoutier (EU-064) on 25-27 July. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
G - Commemorating Louis Bleriot's historic flight, the Dover Amateur Radio Club (http://www.darc.org.uk/) will operate special event station GB100LB on 25-26 July. QSL via operator's instructions.
GI - John/EI4GK, Pete/EI4GZB, Joe/EI7GY, Declan/EI9HQ and Pete/GI4VIV will participate in the IOTA Contest from Rathlin Island (EU-122). They will operate as GI0MPG from Rathlin East Lighthouse. QSL via GI0MPG. Prior to the contest some of the operators may be active using MI/homecall. [TNX EI4GK]
GM - Doug, GM0ELP (CW) and Simon, M0GBK (SSB) will be active as MM3T from the Isle of Skye (EU-008) on 25-26 July for the IOTA Contest. QSL via eQSL only, as "we do not have paper QSL cards" (but IOTA chasers will be able to claim credit online once the contest logs are uploaded to www.rsgbiota.org in 2010). [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
GM - Paul, M3KBU will participate in the IOTA Contest as MM3KBU/p from the Isle of Mull (EU-008). He will also be visiting several islands in either the Inner (EU-008) and the Outer Hebrides (EU-010) on 1-16 August. Please check MM3KBU at www.qrz.com for updates. QSL via M3KBU. [TNXwww.rsgbiota.org]

HB0 - David, ON4DN will be active as HB0/ON4DN/p from Liechtenstein on 24-26 July. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB and digital modes, with a focus on 30m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4DN]
HL - Han/DS2GOO, Yang/DS4CDA, Ryou/DS4NYE, Rocky/HL1VAU and a few other guest operators will be active as homecall/4 from Pigum Island (AS-060) on 25-27 July. They will have two complete stations with a dozen of verticals near saltwater, and will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres; if the band is opend, they will also give 6m a try. QSL via home calls. During the IOTA Contest they will use D93I (QSL via DS4NYE). [TNX HL1VAU]
IS0 - Massimo, I0PNM will participate in the IOTA Contest as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (EU-165). He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. In the following weeks, and especially on 15-16 August, expect him to operate from the lighthouse at Capo Sandalo (ARHLS SAR-018) on 40-10 metres SSB and PSK31. QSL via home call. [TNX I0PNM]
IS0 - Emiliano, IS0BRQ says he will be active from Ferraglione Island (EU-024, IIA CA-033) for part of the IOTA Contest. He plans to operate QRP starting early in the morning of 26 July.
LZ - Gabriele/IK3GES, Boyan/LZ1BJ and Lyuben/LZ1ZC will be active as LZ/IK3GES, LZ1BJ/1 and LZ1ZC/1 from the island of Sveta Anastasiya (EU-181) on 24-27 July. They plan to run 100 watts into a 10-element log-periodic on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres, with some possible activity on 40, 30 and 6 metres. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX LZ1BJ]
OZ - Jakob, OZ7AEI will be active as OZ7AEI/p from Bornholm Island (EU-030) on 19-26 July. He plans to operate on 20 and 40 metres SSB from a few lighthouses (updates on activations to be posted at http://www.oz7aei.dk). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX OZ7AEI]
PA - PD5CW, PE1OPM and PE1OXV will be active from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) on 24-26 July, IOTA Contest included. Look for activity on 80-10 metres SSB and CW. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
SM - John, G3LAS will operate SSB and CW as SM5/G3LAS from Fogdo Island (EU-084) on 23-27 July, IOTA Contest included. [TNX The Daily DX]
SM - Kent, SM5ELV and Leif, SM5FWW will be active as SM5ELV/5 and SM5FWW/5 from Aspoja Island (EU-177) for the IOTA Contest. Non-contest activities will include PSK and 6 metres. QSL via bureau. [TNX SM5ELV]
SV - Cliff, SV1JG and George, SV1RP will be active as SX8M from Milos Island (EU-067) on 24-27 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via SV1JG, direct or bureau. [TNX SV1JG]
TA - Special event callsign TC21BSR will be on the air from Istanbul until 20 July for the 21st annual Bosphorus Race. QSL via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]
UA - A team of Russian operators will be active as UE1CBB from Bol'shoy Berezovyy Island (EU-133) on 22-27 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as RI1AA. QSL for both callsigns via UA1AIR, direct or bureau. [TNX UA1AIR]

VE - Ken/W8ND, Butch/N8CHS and Kelly/K8MCN will be active as W8ND/VE1 from Big Tancook Island (NA-081) on 23-26 July. QSL via K8MCN, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
VE - Frank, VE7DP and Heinz, VA7AQ will take part in the IOTA Contest from Taxeda Island (NA-091). [TNX VA7AQ]
VE - Cezar, VE3LYC plans to operate as VY0O from the Ottawa Islands (NA-230, new one) for three full days between 25 July and 10 August. Specific island's name and exact dates are not available at this time, but they will be announced a few days id advance of the operation. This will be Cezar's most difficult operation to date. The islands are 12-14 hours away from shore and transportation requires a large boat. Traditionally unstable weather pattern, unknown local landing conditions, high seas, the presence of ice chunks in Hudson Bay, potential presence of polar bears, all these and other logistical aspects make this trip extremely challenging. At this time Cezar seeks group and individual donors who understand and appreciate the difficult and expensive task ahead and are willing to be part of this effort. "Past support from EU stations has been disproportionate with their QSO demand (45% of QSOs but only 25% support for VY0A)", he says, but hopefully this situation will improve. [TNX VE3LYC]
VE - VE1VOX and VE1AOE will be active as VC1W from Welsh Island (NA-154) on 12-16 August (depending on weather conditions). They will have two stations and more operators might join the expedition. QSL via VE3EXY. [VE1VOX]
W - Steve, W3RFA and Bob, KB3NYX will operate from Smith Island (NA-140) on 25-26 July for the IOTA Contest. This will be a micro-expedition with limited equipment, as they are getting to the island by sea kayak. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
YJ - Chris, VK3QB plans to be active (requested call YJ0QB) from Vanuatu on 20-27 July. He will operate holiday style during his afternoons and evenings on 40 metres CW, with possible activity on 30, 20 and 15 metres if the bands are open. [TNX The Daily DX]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (June 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

QSL R1ANL ---> "Since most of the QSL requests for the 1997-99 R1ANL operation by Nikolay Zinin (RW6ACM) from Novolazarevskaya Base (Antarctica) remained unprocessed by the previous QSL manager (UA6AH), I took over the QSL management of this activity", Dominik, DL5EBE says. "After some delay, I finally managed to enter the handwritten log (14000 QSOs) into the computer and upload all contacts to LoTW". Those who need a paper QSL card

can send their request to DL5EBE, direct (see qrz.com) or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to weield@...). [TNX DL5EBE]

QSL VIA TA3J ---> Nilay Mine Aydogmus, TA3YJ has transferred all of her duties as a QSL manager to her husband Berkin, TA3J. Affected callsigns are listed at http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3j/qslservice.htm [TNX TA3J]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Jean-Luc Maingot (F5PC), Roy S. Hartley (G0HDX), Jim Leist (KB5W), Richard R. Clay (KC0TJ), Thomas F. McDuffie (KM6K), Ernest J. Zingleman (KS4Q), Buck Barto (N9PLJ), Antoni Zebik (SP7LA), Henry L. Luhrman (W4PZV) and James E. Mullin (W8KKK).

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4L0A EA7FTR EM300Q/p UR6QS SE2T SM2YIZ
4S7BRG LZ3HI EN350AKB UR5AKU SG3U SM3CXS
4U1UN HB9BOU ET3JA OK3AA SK9HQ SM6JSM
4U1WB KK4HD EV5OP DL7VFM SM200PAX SK2AT
4U30VIC 4U1VIC EV6ZK UA3FDX SN0WFF SP5X
4Z8BB WC1X EX9FF/p EX8AB SN50DBT SP2AGA [1]
5N0HQ DL3OCH FY5LH F5KDR SN50DBT SP2ZAO [2]
5N0OCH DL3OCH GB1HI M3ZYZ SO1EKO DL1EKO
5R8KD W5KDJ GB7HQ G3TXF SU9GI IK2ZYC
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7Z1HL DJ9ZB HF50BORY SP2IU SX1L DL1JCZ
8J0YUI JH0ZSM HF94JCQ SP4JCQ SX2CM SV2GWY
8Q7DI I8ACB HF94KE SP4YPB SX8GR SV8FMY
9A/VE3ZIK DO7ZZ HF94OLP SQ4OLP TK5UX F5MUX
9A430KA 9A6Z HP3AK W4JS TM0HQ F8CRH
9A48IFATCA 9A4WW HP3DX W4WX TM1LB F8KGN
9H1KZ G2BKZ HP3TA KG6UH TM1MV F5KPO
9J2BO G3TEV HQ2W HR2DMR TM1OOL F6KPQ
9J2CA G3SWH HR9/WQ7R AI4U TY5ZR IK2IQD
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9K9HQ 9K2CQ J28KO F6DKI UE9CAA RU9DX
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9Y4HQ DF2RG JI1FGX/DU9 JF1LZQ UN7QF EX2A
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A71BU NI5DX LX0HQ LX2A VK7WI VK7ZE

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C37NL C37URA LZ40ATSA LZ1PJ XX9LT XX9AH
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CE4CT EA5KB MD9Y GD3YUM YN2N TI2OHL
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DX1J JA1HGY ON175BR ON7BR ZL6HQ ZL1BHQ
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E7HQ E77E OZ1HQ OZ1ACB ZP5CGL IK2DUW
ED5D EA5FL P40HQ P43JB ZW5HQ PY5CA
ED8RC EA8LE PA6HQ PA3CAL ZX8A PT2OP

[1] direct
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10319. [425ENG] 425 DX News #950 [Calendar] [2]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 08:13:15 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10319 Message: 10319

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This is the second attempt at sending 425DXN #950 and the relevant Calendar. Apparently something went wrong with the server yesterday, and the bulletin and/or the calendar did not reach quite a number of subscribers to the mailing list. If you got #950 regularly, please be patient and simply trash this message, as there is neither new nor updated information in it. Thank you.

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10320. Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 11:41:14 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10281 Message: 10320

My Times-Sinclair actually had a pre-Visicalc spreadsheet program. It wasn't practical for a log however - I think it would only hold 256 records!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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>
> "Donkey Kong" was all my Atari.....you must have had the "super duper" model hi hi
>
> Dale K8TS
>
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "rmontemerlo" <kb1jzu@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 10:51:23 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers
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>
> Dave thanks for the encouragement! If I see ya I'll hit you with my walker.
>
> About the Commodore time a couple of Japanese PCs were out that never hit the market but were pretty good. Okidata had one if I remember.
>
> Quote on Ken Olsen is a bit misleading in that the Commodore was the only "hobbiest" product out and noone could have forecasted a home market. Even the IBM PC was not originally targeted to a home user. At the time 'Personal' meant individual in business and eventually small business. My how things changed.
>
> Not guessing here...I was the Product Manager for Digital's first two PCs (Code Robin/Rainbow).....boy do I have stories.
>
> Now feeling even older...
>
> Bob KB1JZU
>
> PS used punch card in college that's all there was
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com , "Deacon Dave" <w1mce@> wrote:

> >
> > I changed the subject line.
> >
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> >
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> >
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> >
> > This meandering down old history roads just confirms that I'm getting old!
> >
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 7:11 PM
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Deacon Dave
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 3:45 PM
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!
> >
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> >
> > You are OLD!! Join the group! We should start a new group ...Foggymemories@ OTC for Old TimersClub
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: rmontemerlo
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 9:11 AM

> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!
> >
> >
> > In the early 70's I was a system engineer for a small company in CT which replaced Model 28 TTY (yep of RTTY fame) in the Fortune 300 companies with a batch email terminal which picked up email in the evening using a IBM 2780 protocol either on a customers computer or via our email servers. First terminals used and endless loop mag tape and the followon was processor based.
> >
> > One of the first store and forward email implementations...
> >
> > Yikes almost 40 years ago....
> >
> > Feeling old
> >
> > Bob KB1JZU
> >
>

10321. Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 11:38:26 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10281 Message: 10321

The lady who ran the FCC office in Tampa had a similar reputation. Her sense of humor apparently went when her ex-husband went! She even held study material in a separate area when you tested. Once you entered the testing room, you had to surrender anything that she construed could be used on the test - with the exception of a calculator (this was 1979-80 timeframe), which she vigorously tested to make sure it didn't contain any helpful information.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> I believe in my attic I have a VIC-20, a Commodore 64 and an Apple II. I had
> an Atari but I think I sold it in a garage sale.
>
> I remember writing programs in Basic for some of these.
>
> I got my Extra in 1971. I remember the 1 minute of solid copy I had to write
> down for the CW receiving test. I also remember I was sending slightly slow
> on the sending test and the FCC examiner asked me to speed up a bit, which I
> did. I believe they were a little more lenient on the sending test than they
> were on the receiving test. Did they even have a sending test with the VE
> program?
>
> I also took the Advanced and Extra written tests on that same day. The
> Advanced WAS more difficult than the Extra. But I passed them both. The FCC
> examiner in Chicago had a nickname with some of us - "Mr. Weasel." I heard
> he never smiled. After I'd passed the Extra CW and the Advanced written
> tests, he gave me the Extra exam and said something like "Here's another one
> for you to pass." And he almost smiled.
> :-)
> 73, Zack W9SZ
>
> On Thu, Jul 16, 2009 at 7:25 AM, Deacon Dave <w1mce@...> wrote:
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> > >
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> > *Sent:* Wednesday, July 15, 2009 9:11 AM
> > *Subject:* [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent
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10322. Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 11:56:42 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10243 Message: 10322

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10323. Re: Oldtimers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 12:04:41 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10281 Message: 10323

Back a week ago (last Thurs, Fri, Sat) was the MARAC convention in Michigan (MARAC is the Mobils Amateur Awards Club). There were a gob of mobiles on the air with guys on the way to and from the convention (MARAC is mostly about county hunting). Condx were pretty good while the guys were on their way to the convention, but, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday following the event, condx took a turn for the worse.

Early in the day (and late in the day) I could hear a lot of them on 20, 30 and 40. As the day wore on, 40 faded out, then 30 got tougher and I had to rely exclusively on 20 meters. Then on Tuesday, condx became outrageously poor. It became difficult even on 20 to hear guys in Iowa, Colorado and even Texas (I'm in central Florida).

Looking at a cluster screen showed similar effects. Most of the DX being worked was by the DX! There didn't seem to be a lot of spots generated from this side of the pond.

We've been in a slow process of rebuilding the operating station, so Wednesday I disassembled everything and the XYL and I have been staining, painting, sanding and cutting since then.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Deacon Dave" <w1mce@...> wrote:
>
> All of these replies to an olfart type comment must mean the bands are in tough shape. Today, while driving home from Jail [I'm the Chaplain] I could barely hear the Maritime net ... they are on all the time!!
>
> Summer static is building and the WX Gessers are Guessing I'll experience thunder boomers before long. Quiet night is in store.
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: rmontemerlo
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 10:51 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers
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>
> Dave thanks for the encouragement! If I see ya I'll hit you with my walker.
>
> About the Commodore time a couple of Japanese PCs were out that never hit the market but were pretty good. Okidata had one if I remember.
>
> Quote on Ken Olsen is a bit misleading in that the Commodore was the only "hobbiest" product out and noone could have forecasted a home market. Even the IBM PC was not originally targeted to a home user. At the time 'Personal' meant individual in business and eventually small business. My how things changed.

>
> Not guessing here...I was the Product Manager for Digital's first two PCs (Code Robin/Rainbow).....boy do I have stories.
>
> Now feeling even older...
>
> Bob KB1JZU
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> PS used punch card in college that's all there was
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> > Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 3:45 PM
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10324. Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 12:06:25 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10290 Message: 10324

Check out Morse Runner - www.dxatlas.com

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "johnb3030" <johnb3030@...> wrote:
>
> I still have one of these also. I wish someone would do a PC version. Although I seldom use it, it's the only reason I'm still holding on to my C-64.
>
> John, K9MM
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Vaughan" <k4txj@> wrote:
> >
> > The best thing about DR DX was that Propagation didn't matter.
> >
> > You could work the world anytime.
> >
> > Jim, K4TXJ
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Bob
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 1:09 PM
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX
> >
> >
> > Remember? Still have it here. Although not run in quite awhile I have
> > a C64 setup still, complete with the original color monitor and external
> > floppy drive and the DR DX cartridge.
> >
> > Was very good for it's time, and still is. Had lots of fun with it.
> >
> > 73,
> > Bob
> > K2TK ex KN2TKR & K2TKR
> >
> > Jim Vaughan wrote:
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> > >
> > > Does anyone remember Commodore 64 with Doctor DX?
> > >
> > > You could contest without antennas.
> > > This was good to get ready for a contest.

> > >
> > > Jim, K4TXJ
> > > Louisville, Ky.
> > > RMC(SS) U.S.N.ret.
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10325. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Created the World Wide Web? Al Gore did NOT invent it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 12:26:08 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10243 Message: 10325
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 12:43:39 UTC
From: Michael Keane K1MK
Topic: 10243 Message: 10326

That's why for program decks, one would punch a sequence number in the
last 8 columns of the card. That way, if the deck was ever accidentally
shuffled, it could be put back in the proper order using a card sorter.

Now, what does all this have to do with DX anyway?

73,
Mike K1MK

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 14:14:05 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10281 Message: 10328

In California at the Long Beach field office of the FCC we had Grace. She would take one's calculator and clear it before the test and then re-clear it after the test. Fine by me - I didn't use one .... .. Grace also had a mirror on top of a filing cabinet in an adjacent room so she could spy on the testing room to see who was cheating. After a complaint of TVI by an FBI agent across the streetfrom me she sent me a letter telling me to quit working skip, point my beam away from any other house, put a low pass filter on my rig and quit using my linear amplifier. I had a friend who was a volunteer attorney for the FCC and on a trip to the field office he told Grace who she had cited and that I had a ham license and then asked her why she didn't look my name up. She said it was easier to cite me as a CB'er. A letter was sent to my neighbor telling him to put a filter on his TV and that I could transmit as I saw fit ;-)
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From: "Art Burke" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 18, 2009 4:38 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Oldtimers

The lady who ran the FCC office in Tampa had a similar reputation. Her sense of humor apparently went when her ex-husband went! She even held study material in a separate area when you tested. Once you entered the testing room, you had to surrender anything that she construed could be used on the test - with the exception of a calculator (this was 1979-80 timeframe), which she vigorously tested to make sure it didn't contain any helpful information.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> I believe in my attic I have a VIC-20, a Commodore 64 and an Apple II. I
> had
> an Atari but I think I sold it in a garage sale.
>
> I remember writing programs in Basic for some of these.
>
> I got my Extra in 1971. I remember the 1 minute of solid copy I had to
> write
> down for the CW receiving test. I also remember I was sending slightly
> slow
> on the sending test and the FCC examiner asked me to speed up a bit, which
> I
> did. I believe they were a little more lenient on the sending test than

> they
> were on the receiving test. Did they even have a sending test with the VE
> program?
>
> I also took the Advanced and Extra written tests on that same day. The
> Advanced WAS more difficult than the Extra. But I passed them both. The
> FCC
> examiner in Chicago had a nickname with some of us - "Mr. Weasel." I heard
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Date: 2009-07-18 17:41:19 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10243 Message: 10329

ya but it only took an hour or so to run the "numbers" through DMV on DRAGNET using the cards hi hi

Dale K8TS

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10330. Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 22:36:22 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10330 Message: 10330

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Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10331. Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 22:51:12 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10330 Message: 10331

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, July 18, 2009 6:36 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

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10332. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10332

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 18 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 199 Issued at 2200Z on 18 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 17/2100Z
to 18/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred as the
disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity will continue very low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 17/2100Z to 18/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field will be
quiet early in the interval, then become increasingly disturbed when
a recurrent high-speed stream returns. Unsettled to active
conditions are anticipated by July 21.
III. Event Probabilities 19 Jul-21 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 18 Jul 067
Predicted 19 Jul-21 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 18 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 17 Jul 000/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 18 Jul 000/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 19 Jul-21 Jul 005/005-005/008-015/018
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 19 Jul-21 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/25
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10333. Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 23:10:36 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10330 Message: 10333

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>To: <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Sent: Saturday, July 18, 2009 6:36 PM
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10334. Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-18 23:59:59 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10330 Message: 10334

If there were some sunspots out there lurking to use.....nobody would know (at least on this group)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dick Flanagan" <dick@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, July 18, 2009 7:10:36 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

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10335. Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-19 00:39:47 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 10330 Message: 10335

When I was in SAGE at Fort Lee in the 50's we had about an acre size computer and around 150 display monitors. They called them consoles back then. They were pretty up-scale too. Of course they all had light guns and even a cigar lighter, ashtray and a telephone. They were all cabled up exactly the same, yet they were all different in what they displayed on the CRT screen. The screen was neat too as it was a 19 inch round CRT (something like a TV picture tube) with a 5 foot neck.

What made each one different from another, why a gismo called a CAT/DAB plug board. A wired up little board with a lot of yellow jumpers and holes to plug 'em all in, as desired, to display a different operational air defense situation on each console.

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W4ABW
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10336. Re: Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-19 00:50:34 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 10330 Message: 10336

Ya got me Dick

IBM CE in Toronto and Ottawa from 1957 to 1964. Trained on 024, 026, 403, 407, 088, 650, 704 and 305 and actually met TJW Jr! Looks like we are members of a very exclusive club. The "How to change a typebar on a 407 Club" OMG.

I will upload a file into the file section about Flying Saucers and IBM and the Canadian CF105 Arrow.

It's not DX but it's interesting.

73, Lee ZL2AL

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:
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10337. Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-19 04:57:36 UTC
From: R.S.Hradilek
Topic: 10330 Message: 10337

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I have extensive experience on the 88 card sorter, but don't remember
any punch boards. You simply sort one column at a time, though there
was a punchout wheel to make it ignore selected digits.

I think you mean the model 77 collator, another necessity for any
card system. It did have a wire board.

Roy -- AD5Q
Programming since 1967

10338. Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-19 05:21:07 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10330 Message: 10338

At 09:57 PM 7/18/2009, R.S.Hradilek wrote:
>I have extensive experience on the 88 card sorter, but don't remember
>any punch boards. You simply sort one column at a time, though there
>was a punchout wheel to make it ignore selected digits.

I was remembering the multi-column selector on the Model 82.

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>card system. It did have a wire board.

The Model 77 was before my time (Thank God something was! :). All
of my work was on the Model 557 collator.

Dick

PS: This topic has nothing to do with DX. It is simply an outlet
for old geezers to try to one-up themselves. :)
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10339. Re: [DX-IS] Old IT Pharts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-19 13:53:20 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 10330 Message: 10339

Al, the first sage computer I saw had dual triode flip-flops and donut memory. I never worked on that machine, but I did work on the GKA-5 Data Link. It had transistors for flip-flops and the end product to the aircraft was analog.

Win, W0LZ

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From: <W4ABW@...>
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> slove00000001)
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10340. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #917

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-19 19:09:48 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10340 Message: 10340

Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info
Newsgroups: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 12th-July, through Sunday, 19th-July, there were 199 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4C12, MEXICO (Special Event/Satellite Op). Members of the Radio Club Queretaro announce to look for special event station 4C12SG to be active between July 20-27th. Activity is to celebrate the 12th anniversary of the operation from the "Sierra Gorda Queretana". Operations will take place from "Sotano del Barro", one of the deepest places in the world. Also, look for 4C12SG to be active on the satellites (Grid EL01), and if conditions permit, also on 6 meters. QSL via XE1RCQ. Log will be uploaded to LoTW after the event.

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. AL, CT1GPQ, will be active from here between August 3rd and October 3rd. Currently CT1GPQ doesn't know what his callsign will be, but his license issues are being arranged. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters SSB, RTTY and preferably CW. His station setup will be an Icom IC-706 MK2g, a dipole for 40 and 30 meters and square loops for 20 and 17 meters. Pilot station and QSL Manager is Toze, CT1GFK. The pilot station will be in daily contact with CT1GPQ. Any questions or suggestions should be sent to: star@...
Activity logs will be online (possibly daily) on: http://algarvedx.com
All information will be sent first via the Algarve STAR DX Team Mailing List. Subscriptions are available on team's WEB site. PLEASE NOTE: This is "NOT A DXpedition"! CT1GPQ will be in Timor-Leste with a Medical Team and radio operations will take place only during his spare time.

9G, GHANA. Operators Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Carlo/IK1AOD, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT, and Donato/IZ2CHO will be active from Busua Beach in the Ghana Western Region between November 13-27th. Their activity will also include an IOTA trip to Abokwa Island (AF-084). They will use two different callsigns for their activities. Operations on the mainland will use the callsign 9G5TT, while operations on AF-084 will use 9G5XX. Activity will be on all HF bands (80-10 meters) and modes. Silvano/I2YSB informs OPDX that they do not have a licence for 160 meters, 60 meters and 6 meters. On AF-84 there will be one station on 20 meters only. The time of the operation on the island will be on a day to day bases, and will be depended on the sea condition and weather forecast. QSL via I2YSB, direct only. More information can be found at: http://www.i2ysb.com

BX5, TAIWAN (AS-020 - RARE CONTEST IOTA). Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via BX5AA.

C3, ANDORRA. Vini, IK2CIO, will be active as C31/IK2CIO between August 6-12th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via IK2CIO, by the Bureau or direct.

CO8, CUBA. Raul, CO8ZZ, informs that he will be active during RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) from the main island (NA-015, FL10mw) in the CW only category. QSL via DK1WI.

CR2, AZORES (IOTA Contest/LH Op). Members of Algarves STAR DX Team (a multi-national team) will activate Faial Island in the Azores using the callsigns CR2F, CR2N and CR2W, between July 18-31st. Operators mentioned

are: CT1EEQ, CT1EGW, CT3FN/HB9CRV, CU8AS, DJ2VO and HB9CQL. Callsigns
will be used for:
CR2F - For the Farol da Ribeirinha Lighthouse (WLOTA 1830) operation
between July 18□24th and July 27-August 1st.
CR2W - For the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th).
Activity from Caldeira do Faial Natural Reserve
CR2N - For the "Caldeira do Faial Natural Reserve" activity between
July 29-30th. Reference numbers: DPRN FF-212 and WFF CTFF-46.
Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL all callsigns
via CT1GFK, direct, by the Bureau or E-mail Bureau requests. Check QRZ.com
for more info. Official Web site is: http://www.to-mk.com/neu
Logs online will be at: http://algarvedx.com/logonline

CR3, MADEIRA ISLANDS (IOTA/LH Op). A groups of CT1/CT3 operators (from the Madeira Contest Team and G.I.R.A.) will be active as CR3D and CR3R from Chao Islet in the Desertas Islands group (AF-046) between July 24-26th. Activity will be on the HF and VHF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are: Barros/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Luis/CT3EE, Duarte/CT3EN, Duarte/CT3KY, Jose/CT3MD, Joao/CT3NY, Jorge/CT1BOL, Jose/CT1CJJ, Paulo/CT1EFS, Filipe/CT1ILT and Firmino/CT1IZW. For further information about this Project, please visit the CR3D QRZ.com page at: http://www.qrz.com/db/CR3D

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Yasuyuki, DJ1AIB/JR1AIB, will be active as EA9/DJ1AIB from Melilla between July 22-26th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via JR1AIB.

EG, SPAIN (Special Event). Look for special event station EG5LB to be active during the follwing dates: July 26th, August 2-9th, August 16th, August 23rd, August 29th and September 6-7th. Activity is to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of the illustrious Louis Braille, inventor of the tifloescritura system for the blind, and with the 30th anniversary of ARMIC, Association for Visually Handicapped Radio of Catalonia. QSL via EA3RKR, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see QRZ.com or visit: http://www.gratisweb.com/ea3rkr/esp/index2.html

EH, SPAIN (Special Event). Look for special event station EH1SC to be active until July 24th. Activity is taking place during the "Celebrations of Santiago de Compostela". Operations will be on all the bands. QSL via: Radio-Noticias, Apartado 368, 15780 Santiago de Compostela (Spain). For more information, visit: http://www.radionoticias.com

EM360, UKRAINE (Special Event). Members of Ternopil Amateur Radio Club will use special callsign EM360B between August 14-18th, to mark the 360th anniversary of historical battle near the city of Zboriv. QSL via UY5BC.

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Bristol Contest Group will be active as GJ6YB during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) from Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA L-0818) as a Multi-Op/Island-DXpedition entry. Operators mentioned are: EI3JE, EI7FJ, G3TKF, G3XSV, G3YHV, G3ZVW, G4CLA, G4FKA, G4NKT, G7TWC,

M0MAT and M1EBV. QSL via G3SWH, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-060. Members of the Korean Contest Club and possibly others will be active as D93I (and also their homecall/4) from Pigum Island (KDN H32) between July 25-27th. Operators mentioned are: Han/DS2GOO, Yang/DS4CDA, Ryou/DS4NYE, Rocky/HL1VAU and a few other guest OP's.. They will have two complete HF stations with a dozen of vertical antennas nearby saltwater. Continuous activity is planned on 80-10 meters using CW/SSB/Digital. If the propagation allows, they will try some 6m openings to various directions also. During the IOTA contest, they will operate as a Multi-Op/Island-Expedition entry as D93I. QSLs for D93I are via DS4NYE and all others via their homecall.

EU-005. Members of the SANDS Contest Group (M0SCG), based in Morecambe, Lancashire, will be active as G1T from Sunderland Point, near Lancaster during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Multi-Single entry. Reference numbers are: WAB Square SD45 and Grid LOC. IO84NB.

EU-006. Members of the South Dublin Radio Club and the City of Belfast Radio Amateur Society will travel to the Aran Islands off the coast of Galway hoping to build upon the successes of recent years, and be active as EJ0GI from Inis Oirr during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Multi-Op/DXpedition/High-Power entry. Some team members may be active under their home callsigns outside of the contest between July 23-27th. QSL via EI2SDR (information available on QRZ.com).

EU-006. David, EJ3GKB, will be active from Inis Oirr, July 23-27th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters before and after the RSGB IOTA Contest. Look for updates and pictures via Twitter (DavidGi8SKN), depending on time and signal reception.

EU-008. Members of the Cockenzie and Port Seton Amateur Radio Club (CPSARC) will once again operate from the Isle of Tiree (IOSA NH04, WAB NM04), the most westernly part of Scotland's Inner Hebridean Islands, during the RSGB IOTA (Islands on the Air) Contest which runs from 1200z, July 25th to 1200z, July 26th, using the club's special contest callsign GM2T. Look for pre-contest activity by the members signing as MM0CPS/P. CPSARC heavily supports newcomers to their wonderful hobby and has a large number of newly licensed members who are actively encouraged to participate in their contest effort, whether experienced or not. This way not only does their hobby benefit from new operators, but contesting benefits as they invariably become bitten by the contest bug. This year's team consists of: Cambell/MM0DXC, Bob/GM4UYZ, John/ MM0JXI, Brian/M0RNR, Gary/MM0FZV, Moe/MM0MRM, Geoff/MM5AHO, David/MM0XDG, Ellis/GM4GZW, Bob/GM4IKT, Jim/G3VOU, Brian/

G4UJE, Jonno/M5FUN, Malcolm MM0YMG, Duncan/MM0GZZ and Steve/
MM3YPN. QSL GM2T via the Bureau, or their QSL Manager GM4UYZ,
by the Bureau or direct. Details are available at:
http://www.qrz.com/gm2t
For details about CPSARC, visit their revamped Web site at:
http://www.cpsarc.com
ADDED NOTE: This is the club's 11th anniversary on the island,
and the team would like to express their gratitude to all the
islanders who have looked after them over the years, but in
particular to Elaine Hutchinson of Elephants End Restaurant
(www.elephantsend.com) for her unrivalled support and
hospitality over the last 11 years.

EU-011. Members of the Cray Valley ARC will again be active on the
Scilly Isles between July 23-28th, on all bands, using the
callsign G3RCV/P. They will also be taking part in the IOTA
contest next weekend.

EU-031. Operators Alessandro/IW8EHK, Alfredo/IY7NGM, Catello/IZ8LLW
and Francesco/IZ8OFJ will be active as IC8/IW8EHK during the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Other reference numbers:
Punta Carena WAIL CA-008, ARLHS ITA-124 and WLOTA L-2466.
QSL Manager: IK7JWX.

EU-036. Chris, OE9ICI, will be active as LA/OE9ICI from Kvenver,
Hitra Island (WW Loc. JP43EM), between now and August 1st.
Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign,
direct or by the Bureau. NO eQSL!

EU-048. Jean-Marc, F5SGI, will be active from Belle Ile (DIFM AT-015,
WLOTA 0872, Grid IN87) between now and July 31st. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using CW, and an entry in the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via his home callsign, direct
or by the Bureau.

EU-059. (UPDATE) Col, MM0NDX, will be active as GM5A and MM0NDX/P
from St. Kilda (WAB NF19, SCOTIA D123, Grid Loc. IO75RT),
Scotland, between July 24-27th. This will be a family holiday-
style operation from the campsite in Village Bay. St. Kilda
is one of only two-dozen global locations to be awarded "World
Heritage Status" for both natural and cultural significance.
Col will participate in the 2009 RSGB IOTA Contest (July
25-26th) as GM5A. Outside of the contest he will sign MM0NDX/P
and possibly be active on 80 and 40 meters. QSL GM5A via
GM4FDM and MM0NDX/P via M0URX. A Web site is now active
for this activity at: http://eu059.wordpress.com/

EU-067. Operators Cliff/SV1JG and George/SV1RP will be active as
SX8M from Kyklades (Cyclades) Milos Island, Greece, during
the RSGB IOTA Contest between July 24-27th. QSL via SV1JG,
direct or by the Bureau.

EU-075. Steffen, DM3CW, will be active as J48AL from the Island of
Aigina (GIOTA SAS-045, MIA MG-007, WLOTA L-4088) between
July 21st and August 3rd. Activity will be holiday style
and operating CW only using 100 watts into wire antennas.
QSL via DM3CW, bureau preferred.

EU-122. Operators Sean/EI4GK, Pete/EI4GZB, Declan/EI9HQ, Pete/GI4VIV
and Joe/EI7GY will once again be active from Rathlin Island
as GI0MPG for this year's RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th).
Operations will be from the Rathlin East Lighthouse (ARLHS
NTI-011), the same QTH as last year. QSL direct or by the
Bureau to GI0MPG.

EU-124. Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society (BARS) will activate
Flatholm Island again for five days this year between Thursday,
July 23rd and Tuesday, July 28th. During the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 25-26th), they will use the callsign GW8K. They will use
the callsign GB5FI for activity before and after the contest.
QSL via GW0ANA, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-124. (UPDATE) The Strumblehead DX and Contest group have now sealed
the final permission to activate Ramsey Island (EU-124), off the
West Wales coast, from the "Royal Society for the Protection of
Birds" an organization who own the island. They will be active
from 1800z, July 24th through to 1400z, July 27th taking in the
IOTA contest. They will be active using the club call MC0SHL
for the whole duration of the operation, and using MW9W in the
contest. They will be on all bands from 80-10 meters SSB. There
is also some 30 meters RTTY planned by G1VDP if the other guys
allow him, with participation in the last 80m Club Championships
DATA section. They will be operational using generators as
power. Radios used will consist of 2 K3's and a Yaesu FT1000MP
MkV and amplifiers. Antennas will consist of a Hexbeam, a windom
and dipoles. Most of the activation is for the WAB award scheme
as the square is semi rare and has not been activated for some
time. They will be looking for JA and Asia during their mornings
and evening on all bands. The team will be on from the farm for
a few days before and after using the GB0WFF for the World Flora
and Fauna award see http://www.wff44.com for award details,
and using the MC0SHL club call and erecting a tower for Rob,
MW0RLJ. The island will not only count for the WAB award but
will also count for the WFF award. A special QSL card printed
for both club callsigns. Full details are on the group's Web
site <http://www.mc0shl.com>. QSL via the groups manager M0URX.

EU-125. Operators Gabi/DF9TM, Frank/DL2SWW and Ric/DL2VFR will be
active as OZ0FR from Romo Island (NS-001 for the Danish Islands
Award) between July 23-27th, including the IOTA Contest (July
25-26th). Activity will be high power on CW and SSB into a
yagi antenna for 20-10 meters, a SteppIR vertical (BigIR) for
40-10 meters and dipoles for 80 and 40 meters. This activity
will also count for the World Flora and Fauna Award (WFF -

for OZFF-004). QSL OZ0FR via DL2VFR (also via the DL Bureau, do not send QSLs via OZ Bureau). More details at: http://www.iota-expedition.de

EU-135. Anders, SM5EFX, will be active as SM5EFX/2 from Ledskar Island between now and July 31st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) using the special callsign SF2X. QSL both calls to SM5EFX, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-057. Ray, WQ7R, will be active as HQ9R from Roatan Island (Grid EK66) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via K5WW.

NA-154. Operators Dana/VE1VOX and Don/VE1AOE will be active as VC1W from Welsh Island (new CISA), August 22-25th. They plan to have two stations on the air and possibly more operators to join their operation as the date approaches. This is a remote island and weather may affect the actual dates. QSL Manager is VE3EXY.

EU-171. Operators Rene/DL2JRM and Netti/DO6XX will be active as OZ/homecall/p from Vendsyssel-Thy/Nordjylland (DIA NJ-001) between now and August 1st. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operations will be on 80-10 meters CW using 100 watts into a dipole/GP. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-174. Tomas, HA0NAR, will once again be active as SX8R from Thassos Island (MIA MG-124, GIOTA NAS-037, WLOTA LH-4186, QRA KN20hs), Greece, July 22-31st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. He will also be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). He will use 100 watts and monoband antennas (Inverted Vee for 80m, verticals on a Spider pole and fishing rods for the other bands). QSL via HA0NAR, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-180. A Ukrainian and Moldavian team will be active as homecall/p from Tuzla Island between July 23-27th. Activity will be on CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are US0KW, US0ZZ, UT2XQ, UT4ZG, UT7UT, UU0JM, UU1AZ, UU4JDD, UU4JMG, UY6IM, UT/ER1DA, UT/ER3DW, UT/ER3DX and UT/ER3ZZ. QSL via their home callsigns. They will the "Black Sea Contest Club" callsign UU7J/P during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via UU0JM.

EU-181. Operators Gabriele/LZ/IK3GES, Boyan/LZ1BJ/1 and Lyuben/LZ1ZC/1 will be active from Sveta Anastasiya Island (WLOTA L-0035) between July 24-27th. They plan to use 100 watts into a 10 element log-periodic on 20/17/15/12/10 meters. Some activity on 40/30/6 meters is also possible. QSL via the QSL Bureau to their home callsigns.

NA-081. Operators Ken/W8ND, Butch/N8CHS and Kelly/K8MCN will be active as W8ND/VE1 from Big Tancook island (CISA NS012, WW Loc. FN74WL, Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia), July 23-26th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via K8MCN, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-148. Arif, YC9MDX, will be on the air from Kupang, Timor Island (WLOTA 0019) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Activity will be on 40/15/10 meters SSB only. QSL via B7DX, direct only (QRZ.com).

SA-023. Operators PY6AWV, PY6HD and PY6RT will be active as ZZ6Z between July 24-26th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest. Their operations will be on 80/40/20/17/15/10 meters SSB only. QSL direct or bureau to PY6HD or LoTW. No E-QSL.

SA-023. Operators Orlando/PT2OP and Marcelo/PY6KW will be active as PV6I between July 24-27th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via PT2OP.

LUNAR EVENT ON AO-51. On "July 20th, AMSAT-NA will mark the 40th anniversary of the first manned lunar landing with a special event on AO-51. AO-51 will transmit a message commemorating the event Monday, July 20th, during evening passes in the U.S. and Europe. The message will be transmitted on the 435.300 MHz FM downlink and will contain a Robot 36 SSTV image as well as a voice message.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For July 20-26th).....
20 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
21 AN ---------------
22 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
23 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
24 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
25 AN ---------------------
26 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
SPECIAL NOTE: By the time you read this, Lee should be active from Gore Bay, Manitoulin Island (CISA ON-001), in Ontario, Canada. He will be there through July 29th, using an Icom-706MKIIG into a TarHeel II antenna or wire/dipole antenna.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY.....
The Old Barney ARC will be operating as N2OB from the Barnegat Lighthouse (USA-039) on Long Beach Island, NJ (IOTA NA-111), on August 1st from about 1300-2100z. There will be two stations set up with activity primarily on 20 and 40 meters SSB. QSL via N2OB.

The Old Barney ARC <http://www.obarc.org> will be operating as W2T from the Tucker's Island Lighthouse (USA-911) in the Tuckerton Seaport <http://www.tuckertonseaport.org>, August 15-16th from about 1300-2100z each day. There will be two stations set up with activity primarily on

20 and 40 meters SSB. QSL via N2OO.

MJ0, JERSEY (EU-013). Mat, F5SHQ, will be active as MJ0ASP during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via MJ0ASP.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND (EU-002). Operators Juha/OH6XX and Timo/OH6GLE will be active as OH0Z during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Multi-Op/ Island entry. QSL via W0MM.

PACIFIC TOUR #1. Operators Claudia/K2LEO/PA3LEO and Andrea/IK1PMR are currently planning a Pacific trip for November and December. Preliminary planning includes DX activity from Western Samoa (5W), Tonga (A3) and possibly Rarotonga in the South Cook Islands (E51). They are inviting DXers (with or without DXpedition experience) to join their operations, even for a single destination (A3 being the main DX stopover). If you are interested in joining Claudia and Andrea□s Pacific DX tour, visit their Web page (still under construction) for more details and how to contact them at: http://www.ik1pmr.com/plans/a3

PACIFIC TOUR #2. Chris, DO7AG, will be flying to the South Pacific with his family between November and January. He plans to be active as 5W1QX from Western Samoa and A31CE from Tonga. Activity will only be on 40 and 20 meters (this is due to the type of license he has). Complete dates of activation are to be determined. ADDED NOTE: Chris realizes that another operation from A3 and 5W will be going on at the same time (see above), and he hopes to meet Claudia and Andrea.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
5C2 QSLS STATUS. Alfredo, IK7JWX (5C2J), informs OPDX that he has received the QSLs from the printer and expects to start sending out QSL, for all the confirmations this week of all the 5C2 team's QSOs from Morocco (Essaouira & Lh. MOR-019).

CS28MCF LOG ONLINE. The Algarve S.T.A.R. DX Team reports that the CS28MCF log is now available online at: http://algarvedx.com
Last update was 17th, July, 2359z. Attention: 400 QSOs are missing and will be added next Monday. Some pictures will be uploaded today.
CS28MCF - 5000 QSOs in log now. Operations stopped at 19th,July, 2259z.

QSL EA6/HA5GY/qrp via his home callsign. Activity on July 15th, was from a lighthouse (BAL-005), QRA is JM19EN.

Nilay Mine AYDOGMUS, TA3YJ (XYL), transferred all her duties and rights concerning the management (TA3YJ QSL Service) to her husband Berkin AYDOGMUS, TA3J, because of the "severe sanitary conditions" of her parents. The new QSL Manager is now Berkin AYDOGMUS, TA3J (TA3J QSL Service). He is the QSL Manager of the following: HA/TA3J, LZ1/TA3J, LZ2/TA3J, LZ2/TA3YJ, OE/TA3J, OK/TA3J, SV1/TA3J, SV1/TA3YJ, SV4/TA3J, TA3CEH, TA3J, TA3J/0 (IOTA-AS099), TA3J/0 (IOTA-AS115), TA3J/1, TA3J/3, TA3J/3 LH (ARLHS#TUR006), TA3J/4, TA3J/4 LH (ARLHS#TUR065), TA3J/7, TA3J/60, TA3PI, TA3YJ, TA3YJ/0 (IOTA-AS099), TA3YJ/3, TA3YJ/3 LH

(ARLHS#TUR006), TA3YJ/4, TA3YJ/4 LH (ARLHS#TUR065), TA3YNO, TA3YPI, TA7KI (ARI2009), TC2K4J, YM125ATA, YM125ATA/4, YM1907FB, YM21TA, YM3ATA, YM3BU, YM3LZ (WAE2000SSB), YM3LZ (WPX2000SSB), YM3SV and YM75TA. His Home page is: http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3j/qslservice.htm His E-mail address is: ta3j@...

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. John, ZB2EO, reports that RW6HS is NOT and has never been his QSL Manager, and that all QSLs for ZB2EO and ZG2EO, should be sent DIRECT to address as per QRZ.com.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 3D2YA, 4O3A, 4U1UN, 5N0OCH, 9Z4FZ, EU7SA, IU9T, PY0FF, R1ANL, SM5IMO and ZC4LI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7NE, A73A, CE4WJK, CT1HZE, DP1POL, EA6BH, HB0/DJ1AIB, J88DR, JT1AGO, JT1ZP, JW5LJA, KH7Y, LA6YEA, MJ/DL7AFS, MJ/DJ7ZG, R1ANB, R1ANC, VK9LA, VY0A, YV4AB and ZK3MW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5B/DF9TM, 6V7J, 6V7K, 6W1RW, 6W7RV, 9A0CI, EA8AH, EB5KB/P, EE5GG, EH5K, EK3GM, ER10KDR, ER5DX, GB1SRI, HA8IE, HG0HQ, I1ZHH, IF9A, II8ANT, II8IPY, IK5CAC/7, IK6CAC, IQ0FR/6, IQ5PJ, IW9FRA, J20MM, OD5WPX, OG5M, OH2/DL5ME, OJ0/SM0LQB, RA2FBC, SM3PZG, TK/IK1YED, TM5B, UA6UDV, US0LW, VE3MIS, VE3XD and ZY7C

SU8, EGYPT (LH Activity). Operators Greiss/SU1GS, Mohamed/SU1AO and Said/SU1SK received permission from the NTRA (Egyptian's National Telecom Regulatory Authority) to use the callsign SU8LH during the first activity from an Egyptian lighthouse on Ras El-Bar Island (Not IOTA), 250km north of Cairo, between August 1-9th. Look for SU8LH to participate in the International Lighthouse/LightShip Weekend (ILLW). Activity will be on CW and SSB, 6 meters and the HF bands. They will be running 100 watts into wires antennas. For a brief detail about the event and location, go to: http://www.qsl.net/su1sk/Links.html
QSL via SU1SK. For info on the ILLW, go to: http://illw.net/2009_list.htm

SV5, DODECANESE. Tom, OK2PTZ, will be active as SV5/OK6Y from Kos Island (EU-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode entry. He states, "I will be on the island Saturday 25th. I hope I will be ready for 2nd part of the contest." QSL via OK2PTZ.

TC21, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called SWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will be active as TC21BSR from Istanbul between July 14-20th, during the 21st Bosphorus Race. It is the only event which starts from one continent (Asia) and ends at a different continent (Europe). See the following for details at:
http://www.turkishnoc.org/tr/Faaliyet/bgz/2009/Bgz2009.htm
Activity will be mainly on the HF bands using SSB and SSTV, and the VHF-UHF on FM. More information is available on QRZ.com the TCSWAT Web page at: http://www.tcswat.org

TP60, FRANCE (IOTA Contest/Special Event). Francis, F6FQK, reports that members of the "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC) will be active as TP60CE to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the "Council of

Europe", as well as be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Look for them between July 24-26th. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr

V73, MARSHALL ISLANDS. JA operators Fuminor/JA2DSQ and Yuji/JH2BNL will be active from Majuro (OC-029) between August 24-29th. JA2DSQ will be signing as V73NF on the lower band using CW. JH2BNL will be signing as either V7XX or V73J operating 80-10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLANDS. Just a reminder that the members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) will be active as VK9NI between July 22-29th. The HARAOA Group plans to have 4-5 stations on the air and plans to be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) during their stay. QSL via W3HNK. More details and updates are available at: http://www.vk9ni.com
Also on Twitter at: http://twitter.com/VK9NI

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (OC-002). Operators Harry/DM5TI, Rene/DL2JRM and Thomas/DL2RMC will be active from here between November 21st and December 5th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to use verticals and beams, and also be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via DL1RTL, by the Bureau or direct.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Curt, W3HQ, will be active as VP2V/W3HQ from Virgin Gorda between December 4-16th. Activity will be CW only. Bands will be mainly 160 and 10 meters on weekends, and 30/17/12 meters during the week. QSL via W3HQ. Skeds are welcomed (2 way QRP skeds are preferred). His E-mail address is: w3hq@...

VY1, CANADA (Yukon on 160 Meters!). Operators John/KL7JR, Claire/WL7MY and KL7BO will be active as VY1RST during and after the ARRL November SS Phone Contest from near Beaver Creek, Yukon, between November 20-26th. Emphasis will be on 160/80 meters SSB (using a 160m Inverted L) with a 2nd station on for 40-10 meters (vertical) SSB and PSK-31. QSL Manager is KL7JR. E-mail skeds are welcome at: John.ReisenauerJr@alyeska-pipeline.com

XV, VIETNAM (IOTA Op). Sigi, DL7DF, will lead a crew of operators to be active from the Island of Phu Quoc (AS-128) between November 4-17th. Their callsign has not been announced yet, but it is expected to be the XV prefix. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB with several stations on the air. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Their equipment consists of 3 transceivers (two K2 and one IC7000) with three kW linears into two 18m lowband verticals, a 2 element vertical for 40m, a 2 element vertical for 30m, two Spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10m, and some beverage antennas. Operators mentioned are: Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Andy/DL5CW, Sigi/DL7DF and Frank/DL7UFR. Pilot station for this DXpedition is Bernd, DF3CB. QSL via DL7DF, by the German QSL Bureau or direct to: Sigi Presch, Wilhelmsmuehlenweg 123, D-12621 Berlin, Germany. PLEASE NOTE: If you prefer a direct QSL, please send a SASE and 1 IRC or 3 USDs for outside

of Europe and 1 IRC or 2 USDs for mail within Europe. If you do not provide the right return postage or a self addressed envelope, they will reply via the bureau. Please only one callsign per letter! If more than one, all additional cards go via the bureau. For complete details, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/xv/index.html

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10341. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-19 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10341

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 19 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 200 Issued at 2200Z on 19 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity continues to be very low. No flares
occurred. The disk remains spotless, now for the eighth successive
day.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next 24 to 36 hours. The effects of a
high speed solar wind stream are due on July 21-22. Unsettled to
active conditions should prevail during that interval.
III. Event Probabilities 20 Jul-22 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 Jul 068
Predicted 20 Jul-22 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 19 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 Jul 001/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 Jul 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 Jul-22 Jul 005/008-015/018-010/010
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 Jul-22 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/25/20
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10342. Re: [DX-IS] Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-20 13:59:56 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 10290 Message: 10342
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Here's one for you old-timers.

I was at Commodore (CFO) when the Pet came out.

When I left, serial number 1 of the Pet was in my office and they gifted it to me as a going away present.

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PET.JPG

http://www.goldtel.net/PET.JPG

Can you imagine. 4K of RAM. And that old reliable Commodore BASIC.

Don

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>> From: Bob
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>> Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 1:09 PM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX
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>> a C64 setup still, complete with the original color monitor and external
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10343. Re: [DX-IS] Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-20 14:50:26 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10290 Message: 10343

Wow. I haven't seen one of those in many decades!
:-)

Thanks for posting the photo Don.

73, Zack W9SZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-20 18:19:09 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10290 Message: 10344
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

You are successful! At 71+ years of age and 55+ years of ham radio I have finally found an artifact I did not know about! Guess I was born too late. Ahh! Wonderful to be young .. I think but I'm not sure ,,, I can't remember.
----- Original Message -----
From: Don Greenbaum
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2009 9:59 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

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10345. 5N

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-20 22:07:42 UTC
From: Dale Cole K9TTT
Topic: 10345 Message: 10345

Hate to barge in on the board and actually not be a computer remark-however I am enjoying the conversation very much

Now, was there a comment way back when about a 5N or such that the station was unlicensed, or did not meet DXCC criteri or sumpin?

Just recieved a 5N*** card, that I belliege is 100% solid citizen.

Thanks
Dale K8TS

10346. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-20 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10346

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 20 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 201 Issued at 2200Z on 20 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 19/2100Z to 20/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet, with isolated
unsettled conditions. Solar wind data observed at ACE was consistent
with a co-rotating interaction region.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled, with isolated active levels, on
day one (21 July) as an anticipated coronal hole high-speed stream
(CH HSS) becomes geoeffective. Quiet to unsettled conditions are
expected on day two (22 July) as the CH HSS begins to wane.
Activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels on day three (23
July).
III. Event Probabilities 21 Jul-23 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 20 Jul 068
Predicted 21 Jul-23 Jul 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 20 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 19 Jul 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 20 Jul 006/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 21 Jul-23 Jul 015/018-006/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 21 Jul-23 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 25/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10347. Re: [DX-IS] 5N

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-20 23:13:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10345 Message: 10347

At 07:07 PM 7/20/2009, you wrote:
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>Dale K8TS

Hi Dale,

It was 5N/LZ1QK that was being bounced by the ARRL for not
enough documentation. I don't know if that has been
rectified. 5N0OCH QSLs have been coming out, and this station has
been providing LoTW matches. Given that 5N0OCH uploads to LoTW are
getting through the system, it is almost certain he has provided
sufficient evidence to the league that his QSLs are acceptable.

73, Paul VE1DX

10348. Re: [DX-IS] 5N

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-20 23:28:38 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 10345 Message: 10348

Was it the LZ1QK/5N card that was received ? I have been looking every day for that one.

Al
W4ABW
**********What's for dinner tonight? Find quick and easy dinner ideas for any occasion.
(http://food.aol.com/dinner-tonight?ncid=emlcntusfood00000009)

10349. Lesotho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-21 12:43:04 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10349 Message: 10349

Well today W0MM and I K5LBU take off for South Africa and Lesotho. We will meet up with the rest of the group on the 29th in Roma, Lesotho. In the mean time Laurent and I will be touring in Kruger National Park where we will set up a portable station each night and operate some as Portable ZS6. CU on the air and gud DX.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

10350. Re: [DX-IS] Lesotho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-21 13:07:23 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10349 Message: 10350

Have a great trip Frosty! I hope to work you at least once.

Has Lesotho become scarce again since 7P8SR left the country?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Jul 21, 2009 at 7:43 AM, Frosty <frosty1@...> wrote:

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> Well today W0MM and I K5LBU take off for South Africa and Lesotho. We will
> meet up with the rest of the group on the 29th in Roma, Lesotho. In the mean
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10351. Re: COMMODORE 64 AND DOCTOR DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-21 13:35:27 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 10290 Message: 10351

Yes, I had a great time with DoctorDX in the early 1980s. Had a Vic20 and a Commodore64.---Doctor DX was my inspiration to emulate it on the PC. In 1996, I wrote a PC program called CyberDX-CW, which worked somewhat like DoctorDX, with noise, QRM, logging, and automated DXCC type accounting. Actually, I still sell a copy of it every once in a while. That program inspired CyberCWContest, which actually sold better and still does, after 13 years and a few updates, mainly to keep the countries list somewhat up-to-date. CyberDX-CW mainly targeted a DXCC crowd, CyberCWContest targeted the contesters. The first version only implemented the CQWW-CW contest, a few years later, I added the ARRL DX contest format for US stations and a dx-pedition format so that you could do a virtual contest from any country on earth. Both programs had propagation simulators so signals respond in a realistic manner, given local time, band, and how rare the country was. These programs had some unique (at the time) features; visual display of a telnet spotting network, that allowed point and click, cause the virtual receiver to change to that frequency. Another unheard of feature in those days was a virtual spectrum display that displayed the relative signal strength of virtual staions on the band, with point and click on individual stations and have the virtual receiver tune to that station. Even now radio manufactures have missed that feature. I thought we would see it on the ICOM 7800, which has a USB port that would handle an input from a mouse. I think it would be trivial for ICOM to add a pointer on the display, controlled by a mouse or keyboard, to point to a blip on the display and tune it in within the receiver's band width. There was also a built-in virtual Logger with function keys that worked like TR-LOG. Some hams used these programs on their laptops in an aircraft or at a hotel. --- At Dayton, in 1997, I had an experience with an older ham. I had CyberDX-CW running with audio on. He said, "that receiver is really picking up some good stuff inside this building." I explained the virtual radio concept. Well, he tuned it for a while, copied some CW in his head and even talked to his buddy about it. Then he looked up and asked me where was the antenna? I knew then that the concept of a virtual receiver had not gotten through. I explained the concept and the implementation again, slightly differently, but the result was the same. In his mind, the computer was a receiver with a crt front panel. I explained everything again. Obviously, it didn't sink in and as he was walking away, he turned and said again, "where is the receiver".---Do a google search on CyberDX-CW or CyberCWContest for info. Bill, N5RR

10352. Re: [DX-IS] Lesotho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-21 13:52:55 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10349 Message: 10352

Hello Zack it is sort of rare on the low bands.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2009 8:07 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Lesotho

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73, Zack W9SZ

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10353. Re: [DX-IS] Lesotho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-21 14:41:11 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10349 Message: 10353

Yes, I would guess that. Just curious. When Ralph was there he worked most bands down to 50 meters a lot. I used to hear him practically every day on 40 CW. I didn't have capability for 80 or 160 then, so I don't know if he worked those bands.

I'd love to work 7P on 80 meters. Maybe we can make it.

73, Zack W9SZ

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10354. Re: [DX-IS] Lesotho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-21 14:42:45 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10349 Message: 10354

That should've been "... down to 40 meters ..." Phat phingers.
:-)

73, Zack

On Tue, Jul 21, 2009 at 9:41 AM, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

> Yes, I would guess that. Just curious. When Ralph was there he worked most
> bands down to 50 meters a lot. I used to hear him practically every day on
> 40 CW. I didn't have capability for 80 or 160 then, so I don't know if he
> worked those bands.
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10355. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-21 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10355

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 21 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 202 Issued at 2200Z on 21 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 20/2100Z
to 21/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (22-24 July).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 20/2100Z to 21/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours. A solar
sector boundary crossing from negative to positive was observed at
the ACE spacecraft around 0145Z; yesterday's anticipated high speed
stream did not materialize as solar wind speeds held steady in the
range between 300-340 km/s. There was a possible second solar sector
boundary crossing back to negative polarity at about 1800Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (22-24 July).
III. Event Probabilities 22 Jul-24 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 21 Jul 068
Predicted 22 Jul-24 Jul 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 21 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 20 Jul 003/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 Jul 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 Jul-24 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 Jul-24 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10356. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-22 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10356

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 22 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 203 Issued at 2200Z on 22 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 21/2100Z
to 22/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the last 24 hours. The visible solar disk is spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet to major storm conditions.
Observations from the ACE spacecraft observed a gradual increase in
the solar wind velocity starting around 22/0000Z. This was followed
by an increase in density, variations in the IMF Bz (-17/+14 nT),
and enhanced Bt (peaks to 17 nT) between 22/0000Z and 22/0800Z.
Current solar wind speeds are averaging around 470 km/s indicating
the influence of the anticipated coronal hole high speed stream.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled, with a slight chance for isolated
active levels, for the next two days (23-24 July). Mostly quiet
conditions are expected for day three (25 July) as the coronal hole
high speed stream begins to wane.
III. Event Probabilities 23 Jul-25 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 22 Jul 068
Predicted 23 Jul-25 Jul 068/068/069
90 Day Mean 22 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 21 Jul 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 22 Jul 020/020
Predicted Afr/Ap 23 Jul-25 Jul 007/008-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 23 Jul-25 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10357. ARLD029 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-23 21:57:39 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5276 Message: 10357

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To all radio amateurs

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ARLD029 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MEXICO, 4C. Look for special event station 4C12SG to be active until July 27. Operations will take place from ''Sotano del Barro'', one of the deepest places in the world. Also, look for 4C12SG to be active on the satellites (Grid EL01), and if conditions permit, also on 6 meters. QSL via XE1RCQ.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. AO8GTC will be active with four stations using CW, SSB and digital modes on July 25 and 26 to celebrate the commissioning of the largest optical telescope at the ''Roque de los Muchachos'' obervatory on La Palma (AF-004). QSL via EA8RCP.

TAIWAN, BX5. Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active from AS-020 during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via BX5AA.

ANDORRA, C3. Vini, IK2CIO, will be active as C31/IK2CIO between August 6 and 12. Activity will be holiday style on 160 through 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to IK2CIO, via the Bureau or direct.

CUBA, CO8. Raul, CO8ZZ, will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest from NA-015, in the CW only category. QSL via DK1WI.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CR3. A groups of operators from the Madeira Contest Team and G.I.R.A. will be active as CR3D and CR3R from Chao Islet in the Desertas Islands group (AF-046) between July 24 and 26. Activity will be on the HF and VHF bands using CW, SSB and the digital modes. They will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest.

BAHAMAS, C6. Pete, W2GJ, Ed, K3IXD, Dallas, W3PP, and Jim, K4QO, will be QRV until July 27. They will sign C6APR in CW and SSB on 80 through 10 meters and also during the IOTA Contest. Other calls used will be C6AXD in RTTY and C6AQO on 6 meters. All three calls also count for the Bird Rock Lighthouse (ARLHS BAH-005). The QSL manager for all their calls is K3IXD.

CEUTA AND MELILLA, EA9. Yasuyuki, DJ1AIB/JR1AIB, will be active as EA9/DJ1AIB from Melilla until July 26. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via JR1AIB.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0. David, HB0/ON4DN/p, will be active July 24 to 26. He is working holiday style in SSB and digital modes on 40 through 10 meters, with a special focus on 30 meters. QSL via home call, direct or via bureau.

JERSEY, GJ. Members of the Bristol Contest Group will be active as GJ6YB during the RSGB IOTA Contest from (EU-013, WLOTA L-0818) as a Multi-Op/Island-DXpedition entry. QSL via G3SWH, direct or by the Bureau. Also, Mat, F5SHQ, will be active as MJ0ASP during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via MJ0ASP.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. Operators Juha, OH6XX and Timo, OH6GLE will be active as OH0Z during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Multi-Op/Island entry. QSL via W0MM.

DODECANESE, SV5. Tom, OK2PTZ, will be active as SV5/OK6Y from Kos Island (EU-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via OK2PTZ.

BELIZE, V3. Per, LA5OPA, will be QRV as V31NP from Ambergris Cay (NA-073) between July 26 and August 12. He will work in SSB and PSK31 mostly on 20 meters. QSL via bureau or direct to LA5OPA.

TOGO, 5V. Franco, I1FQH, is QRV as 5V7PRF until July 30. You can find him mostly in CW on 80 through 10 meters but sometimes also in SSB. Please QSLs direct, via bureau, LoTW or eQSL via his home call.

GREENLAND, OX. Bo, OZ1PIF, is operating OX3LX until August 1. He is QRV on six meters from grid square GP60. QSL via OZ1PIF.

FAROE ISLANDS. OY. Thomas, OY/OZ1AA, is now QRV from the OY6FRA club station in the capital, Torshavn. He is on HF and 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via OZ1ACB, Allis Andersen, Kagsaavej 34, DK-2730 Herlev, Denmark.

MOROCCO, CN. CN10FT is QRV until August 20 commemorating the 10th year of the reign of the King of Morocco, Mohamed VI. Operators are CN8ZG, CN8CMZ, CN8KD, CN8NK and CN8SG. QSL via EA7FTR.

CROATIA, 9A. Operators 9A6NL, 9A/HA6PS, 9A/HA7JJS, and 9A/HA7PL will be QRV until July 29, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest from IOTA EU-170. They will be active before and after the

contest on all HF bands plus 6 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via the HA bureau or direct to the op's home call.

UKRAINE, UT. Look for UU7J/P in the RSGB IOTA contest from Tuzla Island, EU-180. QSL via UU0JM. Ops US0KW/P, US0ZZ/P, UT2XQ/P, UT4ZG/P, UT7UT/P, UU0JM/P, UU1AZ/P, UU4JDD/P, UU4JMG/P, UY6IM/P, UT/ER1DA/P, UT/ER3DW/P, UT/ER3DX/P and UT/ER3ZZ/P will operate CW and SSB from this location until July 27. QSL via home calls.

GHANA, 9G. Operators Alfeo, I1HJT, Silvano, I2YSB, Carlo, IK1AOD, Vinicio, IK2CIO, Angelo, IK2CKR, Marcello, IK2DIA, Stefano, IK2HKT, and Donato, IZ2CHO will be active between November 13 and 27. Their activity will also include an IOTA trip to Abokwa Island (AF-084). They will use two different call signs for their activities. Operations on the mainland will use the call sign 9G5TT, while operations on AF-084 will use 9G5XX. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters, using all modes. QSL via I2YSB, direct only.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The 144 MHz Digital EME Championship, IOTA Contest and the Flight of the Bumblebees are on tap for this weekend. Please see July QST, page 76 and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest Web Sites for details.
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10358. [425ENG] 425 DX News #951

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-24 16:04:41 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10358 Message: 10358

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3DA0 - David, GI4FUM/EI4DJ (3DA0DJ) will be visiting Swaziland for the third time, from 30 July to 11 August. This year he will be joined by Tony/G4LDL (3DA0TB), Malcolm/GM3TAL (3DA0MH), Gerry/M0VAA (3DA0VA), Mike/NC4MM (3DA0MM) and Yuri/UT5EL (3DA0EL). The purpose of this trip is to service a scout radio station at an international scout camp near Manzini with the callsign 3DA0SS, using wire antennas and relatively low power. The main operation site will be at the Hawane Resort in Western Swaziland, where there is a good antenna farm and they can run high power. They will operate two HF stations around the clock, depending on propagation. QSLs via GI4FUM. Further details and photographs are available at http://www.gi4fum.co.uk [TNX GI4FUM/EI4DJ]
4W - Al, CT1GPQ will be active from East Timor (callsign TBA) between 3 August and 3 October. He plans to operate mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY, on 40 and 30 metres (with a dipole) as well as on 20 and 17 metres (with square loops). Al will be part of a medical team, and will be QRV only when time permits. QSL via CT1GFK, who will also the pilot station (he can be reached at star@...).
Updates and on-line log search will be available at http://algarvedx.com [TNX CT1GFK]
9G - Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Carlo/IK1AOD, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT and Donato/IZ2CHO will be active as 9G5TT from Busua Beach, Ghana on 13-27 November. They will have three stations active on 80-10 metres (neither 160m nor 6m are allowed) CW, SSB and RTTY. They will also operate as 9G5XX from nearby Abokwa Island (AF-084), with one station on 20 metres. Activity form the island will be planned day by day, depending on sea conditions and weather forecast. QSL via I2YSB, direct only. Further information can be found at http://www.i2ysb.com/
BY - The Wangjing DX club of Beijing will be active from the Liaoning Province East Group (AS-158) on 24-26 July, IOTA Contest included. Operators mentioned are BD1HFP, BG1MFE, BG1TEM, BG1UXS, BG1WUM, BH1BRF and BH1INL. Expect them to be signing homecall/2 on 40-10

metres SSB. QSL via home calls. [TNX BH1INL]
CP - Toni, EA5RM will be working in Bolivia in August, and expects to operate as CP1XRM in his spare time. [TNX EA5RM]
CT8 - Hermann/CT3FN, Antonio/CU8AS, Juergen/DJ2VO and Rudi/HB9CQL will operate CW and SSB as CR2N from the Caldeira do Faial Natural Reserve on Faial Island (EU-175), Azores on 29-30 July. QSL via CT1GFK. [TNX LZ1ZF]
EA - Niko/DD1MAT, Oscar Luis/EA1DR, Kepa/EA2DCF, Chris/EA3NT, Pablo/EA4TX, Rick/EA4ZK, Julen/EB2BXL and George/EC2ADN will participate in the IOTA Contest as AM1M from Mouro Island (EU-142). QSL via EA1DR. [TNX DD1MAT]
EA - Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Louis Braille, special callsign EG5LB will be used again on 26 July, 2-9 August, 16 August, 23 August, 29 August and 6-7 September. QSL via EA3RKR, direct or bureau. [TNX EA3RKR]
F - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe, the local amateur radio club (http://ewwa.free.fr) will be active again as TP60CE on 24-26 July. QSL via F5LGF. [TNX F6FQK]
FK/C - George, AA7JV and Tomi, HA7RY will be active as TX3A from the Chesterfield Islands (OC-176) between 23 November and 6 December (actual operating dates are subject to change due to weather and other variables). The callsign TX3A is licensed for only 14 days of operation. Should they arrive earlier or leave later that the dates licensed, they will operate as FK/AA7JV or FK/HA7RY. Although George and Tomi intend be active also on the higher bands, this will be "another simple low-band DXpedition" with a strong focus on 160, 80 and 40 metres (in that order). QSL via HA7RY, direct or bureau. The use of the Online QSL Request Service (to be launched on the website once the expedition is over) is encouraged. The log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Further information and updates can be found at http://www.tx3a.com/ [TNX HA0HW and AA7JV]
G - The Cray Valley Radio Society will be active as G3RCV/p (QSL via G4DFI) and G0FDZ/p (on 5 MHz, QSl via home call) from the Scilly Isles (EU-011) until 29 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as M8C (QSL via G4DFI). [TNX 2E0RCV]
GM - MM1M (QSL via G3VCQ) is new callsign the Sheffield DX Net ARC will be using during the IOTA Contest. They will operate from the Isle of Arran (EU-123) until 27 July; MS0SDC/p will be in use before and after the Contest. [TNX G3VCQ]
GW - The Barry Amateur Radio Society will be active as GB5FI from Flatholm Island (EU-124) until 28 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as GW8K. QSL via GW0ANA, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
GW - The Luton VHF Group will participate in the IOTA Contest as GW2L from Holy Island (EU-124). After the contest they will be active as GB8HI until 30 July on a part time basis. QSL for both callsigns via G8ATD.
HL - A group of operators from the Hanyang University Wave Research Club will be active as HL0C/4 from Sonyu Island (AS-148) until 27

or 28 July. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and BPSK31 on 80, 40, 30, 20, 17 and maybe 15 metres, plus 6m. QSL via HL0C. [TNX HL2UVH]
I - Stefano/IV3LZQ, Paolo/IV3PUT and Giovanni/IV3ODE, will be active as IA5/homecall from Capraia Island (EU-028) until 27 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IV3LZQ]
I - Filippo, IV3ZFF reports he will be active as IG9/IV3ZFF from Lampedusa Island (AF-019) on 26-29 July. Main activity will be on 10, 15 and 20 metres. QSL via home call.
I - Paolo/IK2MLS, Maurizio/IK2MLR, Giuseppe/IZ2KPI and Antonio/IK2ULS will be active from Tinetto Island (EU-083) on 26 July, including part of the IOTA Contest. QSL via home calls. [TNX IK2MLS]
I - Look for IK6XOU/p, IK6YXM/p, IZ0DIB/p, IZ4IUS/p and IZ6ASI/p to be active from the lighthouse of Cattolica (ARLHS ITA-051, WAIL ER-001) on 8-9 August. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 10, 15, 20 and 40 metres. [TNX IZ6ASI]
I - A group of operators from ARI Pesaro, ARI Fano and the Adriatic DX Team will be active as IQ6PS/p from San Bartolo Lighthouse (WAIL MA-006, ARLHS ITA-106) on 8-9 August. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres. [TNX I6KIU]
I - A group of operators from ARI Genova will be active again as IU1L from La Lanterna (ARLHS ITA-177, WAIL LI-005) on 15-16 August. They will operate on 10, 15, 20, 40, 80, 6 and 2 metres. QSL direct or bureau. [TNX IZ1BZS]
IS0 - Giacomo, IZ3DBA will be active as IM0/IZ3DBA from Maddalena Island (EU-041) from 28 July to 1 August, and then as IS0/IZ3DBA from Sardinia (EU-024) until 10 August. His favourite mode is CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
JA - Celebrating its 120th anniversary, the Tokyo Dental College ARC (JA1YUC) will be active as 8J120TDC/2 from Mikomoto Island (AS-117) and lighthouse, Shizuoka Prefecture, on 26-28 July. QSL via bureau, or direct to Tokyo Dental College, 1-2-2 Masago, Mihama-ku, Chiba City, 261-8502, Japan. [TNX F5NQL]
JA - JO3EVM will be active holiday style from Ishigaki-jima, Yaeyama Islands (AS-024) on 27-30 July. He will run 50 watts to a dipole for 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres, and will operate mostly SSB with some PSK31. [TNX The Daily DX]
KL - Merle, N6PYN and Brad, KA5CDJ plan operate as N6PYN/KL7 from the Seal Islands (NA-239, new one) in late July-early August. The exact date is not known, but it "will not be earlier than July 29". They hope to be QRV around the clock for "at least two days", with activity on 20, 30 and 40 metres SSB and CW running 100 watts to a vertical dipole. QSL via N7RO. [TNX www.islandchaser.com]
OH - Jukka, OH3OJ will be active as OH3OJ/p from Hailuoto Island (EU-184) on 11-15 August. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres with 600 watts, a Spiderbeam for 15, 17 and 20 metres, dipoles and GPs for the other bands. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX OH3OJ]
OZ - Axel, DL7VEA will be active as OZ7VEA from Romo Island (EU-125) on 2-21 August. QSL via DL7VEA, direct or bureau. A log search will

be available at http://www.dl7vea.de/oz7vea-2009_en.html [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PY - Jose/PY6HD, Beto/PY6RT and Nilzo/PY6AWV will be active as ZZ6Z from Itaparica Island (SA-023) until 26 July, including and entry in the IOTA Contest. They operate SSB only on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via PY6HD, direct or bureau. The log will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX PY6HD]
PY - PT2OP and PY6KW will be active from Itaparica Island (SA-023) until 27 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest as PV6I. QSL via PT2OP, direct or bureau. [TNX PT7WA]
PY - Look for ZW6LH (QSL via PT2OP) and PR6S (QSL via PY6KW) to be active from a number of lighthouses in the Brazilian State of Bahia between 31 July and 3 August. [TNX PT7WA]
SM - Announced IOTA Contest activities from IOTA group EU-043 include SM6EQO/p from Styrso Island (QSL via SM6EQO) and SK6M from Tjorn Island (QSL via SM6FKF). [TNX NG3K]
SU - SU1AO, SU1GS and SU1SK will be active as SU8LH from the lighthouse at Ras El-Bar (ARLHS EGY-014) on 1-9 August. Expect activity on the HF bands and 6 metres SSB and CW, with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via SU1SK. [TNX SU1SK]
SV - Kostas/SV1DPI, Nikos/SV3BSF, Dimitris/SV1CIB and Vasilis/SV1DPJ have been active as homecall/p (QSL via home calls, direct or bureau) from Kythira Island (EU-113) since 22 July. They will be there until 26 July and will participate in the IOTA Contest as SX8Z (QSL via SV1DPI, direct and LoTW). [TNX SV1DPI]
UA - A team from the Kursk Technical University's radio club will operate CW and SSB as RI1OP from Purluda Island (EU-153, RRA RR-02-87) until 27 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. They plan to have two stations running 100 watts into vertical antennas. QSL via RW3WW. [TNX RN1ON]
UA - Victor, RN1NU and Igor, UA3EDQ will operate as RN1NU/p and UA3EDQ/1 from Yakostrov (EU-147) until 27 July, IOTA Contest included. QSL via home calls. [TNX www.hfdx.at.ua]
UA - Igor, UA0IDZ and Victor, RW0IM plan to operate as UA0IDZ/p and RW0IM/p from Nedorazumeniya Island (AS-059) during the IOTA Contest. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX www.hfdx.at.ua]
UA - Special callsign R45EFIR will be used on 1-10 August on all bands and modes Celebrating the 45th anniversary of radio club "Efir" (RK3PWJ, http://www.tularadio.ru) of the city of Efremov. [TNX UA3PNO]
UR - Look for US0KW/p, US0ZZ/p, UT/ER1DA/p, UT/ER3DW/p, UT/ER3DX/p, UT/ER3ZZ/p, UT2XQ/p, UT4ZG/p, UT7UT/p, UU0JM/p, UU1AZ/p, UU4JDD/p, UU4JMG/p, and UY6IM/p to operate CW and SSB from Tuzla Island (EU-180) until 27 July. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as UU7J/p (QSL via UU0JM). [TNX UT7UT]
UR - UR3GO, UR4QTP, UR7GO, US0GH, US0GM, UV5QAW UV5QQ, UW1GZ and UY5HF will be active as homecall/p from the the Kalanchakskiye Islands (EU-179) until 27 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as UW0G. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX UW7LL]
V3 - Per, LA5OPA will be active as V31NP from Ambergris Key (NA-073),

Belize from 26 July to 12 August. He plans to operate SSB, PSK31
and RTTY on 20 metres, with possible activity on other bands if
they open to Europe. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
V7 - Yuji Oda/JH2BNL (as V73J or V7XX, on SSB and RTTY) and and
Fuminori Nakayasu/JA2DSQ (as V73NF, mainly on CW) will be active
from Majuro (OC-029), Marshall Islands on 24-29 August. QSL direct
to home calls. They have a webpage at http://nh0aa.us/ [TNX JA2NQG]
W - Jim, AD5ZA will be active as AD5ZA/4 from Santa Rosa Island
(NA-142) on 1 August. He will operate BPSK31 on 20 and 15 metres.
QSL direct to home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
W - Members of the Old Barney ARC (http://www.obarc.org) will be
operating as N2OB from "Old Barney", the Barnegat Lighthouse
(USA-039) on Long Beach Island (NA-111) on 1 August from about 13
UTC through 21 UTC. Expect main activity on 20 and 40 metres SSB
with two stations. QSL via N2OB. [TNX N2OO]
W - The Old Barney ARC (http://www.obarc.org) will operate again as
W2T from the Tucker's Island lighthouse (USA-911) located in the
Tuckerton Seaport on 15 and 16 August, from 13 UTC through 21 UTC
each day. Operation will be primarily on 40 and 20 metres SSB with
two stations. QSL via N2OO. [TNX N2OO]
ZD8 - Jim, N6TJ will be active again (SSB and CW) as ZD8Z from Ascension
Island (AF-003) from 30 July to 7 August. QSL via AI4U. [TNX The
Daily DX]
ZF - Dave, W9CGI will be active as ZF2GC from Grand Cayman Island
(NA-016) from 29 July to 10 August. He will be QRV mainly on 12
and 17 metres PSK31 and SSB, using less than 50 watts to a
vertical. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX
www.rsgbiota.org]

RSGB IOTA CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their
participation in this year's event (from 12 UTC on 25 July through 12 UTC on
the 26th). For lastest additions please visit http://www.rsgbiota.org/, and
give a look at the announced operation lists maintained by Ric, DL2VFR
(http://www.iota-expedition.com/IOTA2009/iota2009.html) and Bill, NG3K
(http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2009.html).
Other groups will be activated during the weekend, but advance information
did not mention if the operators participate in the contest. Complete
details on the IOTA Contest can be found at http://www.iotacontest.com/
SWLs please note that the IOTA SWL Contest, discontinued in 2005, has been
picked up by the Mediterraneo DX Club (SWL Section), in cooperation with
the RSGB HF Contests Committee, and it will be held in parallel with the
IOTA Contest. Please visit http://www.mdxc.org/swl/iota-2009.php for
detailed information. Good luck to you all!
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AF-004 EF8R EA8CAC
AF-014 CR3T CT3KN
AF-018 IH9/IZ2LSC IZ2LSC 948
AF-018 IH9YMC IH9YMC

AF-046 CR3R CT1BOL 950
AS-004 P3J 5B4AHJ 950
AS-020 BX5AA BX5AA
AS-059 RW0IM/p 951
AS-059 UA0IDZ/p 951
AS-060 D93I DS4NYE 950
AS-107 HS0AC/p HS0ZFZ 949
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EU-147 UA3EDQ/1 UA3EDQ 951
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EU-156 F5RAB/p F5RAB
EU-157 F8CFE/p F8CFE

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EU-165 IM0M IS0MKX 949
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EU-170 9A/VE3ZIK DO7ZZ 947
EU-170 9A6NL HA6NL 949
EU-172 OZ/ON6QR ON6QR
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EU-177 SM5ELV/5 SM5ELV 950
EU-177 SM5FWW/5 SM5FWW 950
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EU-180 UU7J/p UU0JM 951
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NA-029 VY2Z VE3ZZ 943
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NA-057 HQ9R K5WW
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NA-091 VE7DP VE7DP 950
NA-110 AA4V AA4V
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NA-128 CG200I VE2CQ 937
NA-129 VC8B VE8EV 943
NA-137 KO1U/p KO1U
NA-137 N1LI K1DG
NA-139 N2US/p N2US
NA-140 W3RFA W3RFA 950
NA-143 N5LYG N5LYG
NA-198 VO1AU/p VO1AU
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MS CONTEST ---> The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF, in co-operation with the magazines DUBUS and Funk-Telegramm (by Joachim, DL8HCZ), organizes the second edition of the 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest, which will take place on 12 August (from 00.00 UTC through 23.59 UTC). Details and rules can be found at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php [TNX DL8EBW]

QSL VK9NI ---> Please note that the QSL route for the current VK9NI operation from Norfolk Island [425DXN 947] has changed and is no longer via W3HNK. The new route is via VK3HR (Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia Inc., P.O. Box 57, Richmond, VIC 3121, Australia). The website for the operation is at http://www.vk9ni.com; a log search is up and running at http://www.clublog.org/expeditions/VK9NI

UKRAINIAN LIGHTHOUSES ---> Several activities from lighthouses in Ukraine are expected to take place between now and mid-August. Details can be found on the Ukrainian Lighthouses on the Air programme's website at http://www.lights.in.ua/ [TNX US4LGW]

+ SILENT KEYS + Walter Cronkite (KB2GSD), the legendary CBS Evening News anchor (1962-1981), passed away on 17 July at 92 years of age. Other recently reported Silent Keys include Ken Willis (G8VR), Bill Lee (GW3MFY), Jackson "Murray" Neece (K5MDM), Antonin Vavra (OK2PCX), Sergej I. Mokrinskij (RW0AW) and Frank M. Sicuro, Sr. (W5UP).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9/SP2JMB, 3D2YA, 3Y0E, 4L1FX, 4L8A, 4O3A, 4S7NE, 4T6I, 4U1UN, 5N/LZ1QK, 5T5DC, 5V7PM, 5X1NH, 6V7M, 6V7O, 6V7P, 8P0P, 8P5A, 8R1PW, 9L0W (AF-037), 9M6BRC, 9V1RA, 9X0R, 9X0Z, 9Y4D, A71BU, A73A, AI5P/6Y5, AM8IL, BA4TB/5 (AS-137), BS7H, BV1EK, BV2009WGK, C6AGU, CE0Y/N6NO, CE4WJK, CN2M, CN89NY, CN8VO, CO7PH, CO8LY, D44TD, DP1POL, E44M, E51NOU, E71A, EA6BH, EA6TS, EI6S, ER5GB, ES1WW, ET3JA, EY8/K4ZW, FJ/G3SWH, FJ5DX, FM1FV, FT5YJ, FW1W, FW5RE, H40FN, H7/IV3ILH, HB0/DJ1AIB, HK0GU/1 (SA-040), HK3JJH/HK0B, HK3JJH/HK0M, HK3JJH/YV7, HP1WW, HQ9R, HT2N, HV5PUL, IL7G (EU-050), J68V, J75KG, J79IU, J7DX, J7Y, J88DR, J88XF, JD1BLY, JT1AGO, JT1ZP, JW5LJA, K5D, KG4CN, KH7Y, L21D (SA-021), LU/FT5YJ, LY1000A, MD/K3PLV, MJ/DJ7ZG, MJ/DL7AFS, MJ/K3PLV, OX5AA, P4/K2LE, P4/WA2NHA, PJ2T, PJ4/K2NG, PS0F, PZ5DD, R1ANB, R1ANC, R1ANR, S04R, S21DX (AS-127), T27OU, T30R, T32OU, T47C, TG9/IV3ILH, TG9AHM, TI7KK (NA-191), TI8II, TO4X, TS7C, V4/AH6HY, V8AQM, VE3DZ/VP9, VK9DWX, VK9LA, VK9N/G3TXF, VP2VVA, VP5/K9NW, VP6DX, VQ9RD, VU7SJ, VY0A (NA-186), WB2KSK (NA-026), WH0S, WH7/K9NW, XE2HWB/XF1, XU7MDY, XW1B, YA5T, YB0MJY, YB1ALL, YB3OX, YI9KEE, YN2BQ, YN2DD, YN2WW, YN2Z, YP1WFF, YS1G, YV4AB, ZD8UW, ZF2GU, ZF2ZB, ZK3MW, ZL7T, ZW8BBC (SA-072), ZY0F.

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 17th-July, through Friday, 24th-July there were 200 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PY0F, PZ, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2M, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5B, CYPRUS. Terence, G4MKP, will be active as 5B/G4MKP from Tsada village near Pafos between August 14-25th. Activity will be mainly CW on 80-10

meters. QSL via M0URX.

7P, LESOTHO. Just a reminder that a group of operators will be active from here between July 29th to August 13th. They plan to have two stations active at all times with a third station to possibly be on for PSK and RTTY. Activity will be on all bands, but with a special effort on 160/80 meters. Operators are: Pista/HA5AO (7P8AO), Frosty/K5LBU (7P8CF), Laurent/ W0MM (7P8MM), John/9M6XRO (7P8OK) and Ben/DJ0YI (7P8YI). QSL 7P8OK via M0URX, others via their home callsigns. For more details, please visit the Texas DX Society's Web site at: http://www.tdxs.net

8Q, MALDIVES. Andrew, G7COD, will once again be active as 8Q7AK from Embudu Village, Embudu Island (AS-013, WLOTA L-3911), between October 12-25th. Activity will be on 80-12 meters including 30/17/12m using CW and SSB. Operating schedule (everyday) is as follows: 0730-0830z, 0900-1030z, 1300-1500z and 1730-1800z. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3503, 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003 and 24893 kHz
SSB - 3795, 7063, 14147, 18133, 21253 and 24953 kHz
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. Look for complete details at QRZ.com under 8Q7AK.

9G, GHANA (Update/Change). Silvano/I2YSB informs OPDX that there has been an update to their activity in Ghana between November 13-27th. Their activity will also include an IOTA trip to Abokwa Island (AF-084). They will use two different callsigns for their activities. Operations on the mainland will use the callsign 9G5TT, while operations on AF-084 will use 9G5XX. Activity will be on all HF bands (160-10 meters) and modes. Silvano states that they do not have a licence for 60 meters and 6 meters. On AF-84 there will be one station on 20 meters only. The time of the operation on the island will be on a day to day basis and will depend on the sea condition and weather forecast. QSL via I2YSB, direct only. More information can be found at: http://www.i2ysb.com

C3, ANDORRA. Last week we reported that Vini, IK2CIO, would be active as C31/IK2CIO between August 6-12th. We have been informed by several sources that "the Andorran Radioamateurs Union (URA) reminds that the local administration has not implemented the CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01; therefore, any C3/homecall activity should be regarded as illegal." An up-to-date list of licensed amateurs can be found at: http://www.ura.ad

CR3, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Carlos/CT3CD, Carlos/CT3FQ and Ricardo/ CT3KN will be active as CR3T from Madeira (AF-014) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to CT3KN.

DP3, GERMANY (Special Event). Members of the Waldkirchen Radio Club will activate special event station DP3SSKW on CW and SSB through December 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 3rd Shito-ryu Shukokai Karate 2009 Worldcup being held in Waldkirchen. QSL via the Bureau; direct QSLs only via DK7FK. Skeds for 40 and 80 meters are possible via E-mail to DK7FK: b.barth@...

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Juan, EA8CAC, will be active as EF8R from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL direct only.

AS-158. Members of the Wangjing HAM DX Club of Beijing, China, have received approval and will be active from Liaoning East Group Island (38'40 - 39'50N 121'10 - 124'10E) in the RSGB IOTA Contest between July 24□26th. The following operators will participate in this IOTA contest: BG1WUM, BG1TEM, BG1UXS, BG1MFE, BH1BRF, BH1INL and BD1HFP. The operation callsign will be the operator's callsign/2. Operation will be SSB on 40-10 meters. The RIG is IC-756Pro and TS-2000. The antennas are GP+SG230 and dipole. QSL via the info on QRZ.cn or QRZ.com with an IRC or 1 USD for the reply postage.

EU-005. Steve, G0UIH, will be active as as G0UIH/m from the Isle of Walney (WLOTA L-1871, WAB SD26), Cumbria, between July 24-27th. Activity will be holiday style, but he will be in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-005. Steve, G0UIH, will also be active as homecall/p from Piel Island (CU-005 for English Islands) between August 14-16th. This island is the "Jewel in the Crown" of the Islands of Furness. The Island has a history going back to the 11th Century. Expect activity on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-008. David, MM3RDP, will be active as MM3RDP/p from Skye Island (IOSA NH-07), and will also activating Neist Point Skye Light-house(SCO-147) between July 24-27th. His activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB, but mainly 20 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-010. Dave, M0GGK, will be active as MM0GGK/P from the Isle of Lewis between August 1-8th. He will use his K1 into a loop and a long wire, and expects to be on between 2100-0000z every night.

EU-015. Members of the Radio Amateur Society of Crete (RASC) were denied by Greek authorities to activate Chrissi Island (EU-187), so the Cretan DX team (R.A.S.C DX division) will operate as J49A from the same location as last year - Cape Sidiro which is located in northeast Crete. The new ultra-beam 2 elements yagi will be tested on this expedition during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL direct or via LoTW. For more info, visit at: http://www.rasc.gr

http://j49a.blogspot.com

EU-031. Alfredo, IK7JWX, will be active as IC8/IY7NGM from Capri Island (I.I.A. NA-006, WLOTA L-2466, WAIL CA-008, ARLHS ITA-124, possibly some D.C.I. castles), July 24-26th. Activity will be on SSB and also possible operations on 6 and 2 meters. The WW.Loc. is JN70cm. QSL via IK7JWX, by the Bureau or QRZ.com (NO eQSL).

EU-032. Martin, F4UKP, will be active as homecall/p from the Island of Re (DIFM AT-022, WLOTA L-1407) between August 15-22nd. Activity will be on all HF bands, CW and SSB, using a K2 and a 20m triple leg vertical. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-090. Slovenian operators Jane/S57L, Goran/S52P, Vinko/S53F and Brane/S56UGB are now active as 9A8ZRS from Palagruza Island until July 31st. Most of the activity (as this was being written) was on 40m (CW/SSB) and 30m (CW). QSL via S57L.

EU-113. Operators Kostas/SV1DPI, Nikos/SV3BSF, Dimitris/SV1CIB and Vasilis/SV1DPJ will go to Kythira Island from late afternoon of July 22nd through July 26th. During the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) they will use the callsign SX8Z. Before the contest the operators will be active signing homecall/8. QSLs for the operators are via the bureau or direct. QSLs for SX8Z are via SV1DPI, direct or LoTW.

EU-142. Operators Chris/EA3NT, Pablo/EA4TX, George/EC2ADN, Oscar/EA1DR, Niko/DD1MAT, Kepa/EA2DCF, Julen/EB2BXL and Rick/EA4ZK will be active as AM1M from Mouro Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Reference numbers are: WLOTA 2720, DIE N-016, FARO D-1554, ARLHS SPA-153, DME 39075 and TPEA S. QSL via EA1DR.

EU-146. Operators Will/PE1OPM (SSB) and Jeroen/PD5CW (CW) will be active from from Schouwen Duiveland during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the bureau.

EU-165. Joe, IS0MKX, will lead a team of 15 operators to activate Asinara Island (SS-061, for Italian Island Award) between July 22-26th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). The callsign will be IM0M. QSL via IS0MKX. For more info, please visit: http://digilander.libero.it/assoradiomarinai/asinara/home.htm

EU-172. Fred, ON6QR, will be active as OZ/ON6QR from Aro Island, west of Jylland, Denmark, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). His activity will be QRP using dipoles antennas. Listen carefully for him.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND (Press Release). Tom/N4XP and Dave/WB4JTT, co-leaders for the 2009 Midway Island Dxpedition, sent out the following press release number 5 dated July 22nd (edited): "The K4M team has passed a very important milestone with the shipment this week of 2 tons of radios, linears, antennas (20 of them), radios (6), computers and interfaces, thousands of feet of coax and stubs, and various connectors, switches, wattmeters, and all the supplies you would expect from an operation on a remote island. At the following Web page is a picture of a portion of the freight: http://www.midway2009.com/kh4news.html
The gear will be stored in Hawaii until the supply ship leaves in 3 weeks to Midway. Our charter flight to the island is confirmed. The team is assembled. Fundraising continues on our website, www.midway2009.com . If you haven't visited it in a while stop by and help support our effort. All pre-expedition contributors who are on LOTW will receive their confirmations within a week of the end of the DXPedition. This month we are highlighting three more team members. You can read all their history at: http://www.midway2009.com/meettheops4.html "

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For July 27th-August 2nd).....
Jul 27 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Jul 28 AN ---------------
Jul 29 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jul 30 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jul 31 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
Aug 1 AN ---------------------
Aug 2 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KL7, ALASKA (New IOTA). Operators Merle/N6PYN and Brad/KA5CDJ plan to activate the Seal Islands (NA-239, new one) as N6PYN/KL7. They hope to be active 24/7 in late July (possibly early August) for at least two days. Their exact start date is not known but will not be earlier than July 29th. QSL Manager will be N7RO. They will operate SSB and CW on 20, 30 and 40 meters with 100 watts and a vertical dipole.

KP1, NAVASSA (Rumor). It was reported to OPDX by Bob Allphin, K4UEE, that the following rumor "a permit has been issued to the group that did Desecheo recently. An operation will take place next year. Info from Dave K4SSU, one of the ops" -- "IS NOT TRUE".

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY/NEWS.....
Just a reminder that the International Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend (ILLW) is scheduled for August 1-9th. A new Yaesu FT-857D will be given as the prize in a RANDOM DRAWING of submitted logs. Pre-registration is required. The winner is NOT based on score. Everyone that submits a valid log has an equal opportunity of winning the Yaesu. Registration deadline is July 31st. For complete details, rules, and logging require-ments, visit the ILLW Web site at: http://illw.org

Members of the Portuguese Navy Hamradio Club (NRA, NUCLEO DE RADIO-
AMADORES DA ARMADA) will activate for the first time the Lajes Lighthouse
(ARLHS AZO 010), on Azores, between 0800-1900z, on August 1st. The
callsign will be CR2NRA. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters
using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are CU3DI, CU3CY, CU3AU, CU3CC
and CU3HQ. QSL via the info on QRZ.com.

Orlando/PT2OP (ZW6LH) and Marcelo/PY6KW (PR6S) will be active from
several lighthouses in the state of BAHIA between July 31st and August
3rd. Activity will include participation in the International Light-
house Lightship Weekend (ILLW). Both stations are valid for ARLHS,
DFB (Brazilian Lighthouses Awards) and the South American Lighthouses
Award. QSL via their home callsign.

Members of the "Sodertorns Radioamatorer" (SK0QO) will once again be
active as 7S0SFJ from the Museum Lightship No. 25 Finngrundet (ILLW
SE-0013, SWE-043), in Stockholm, Sweden, during the ILLW activity
August 15-16th. The LS Finngrundet was built in 1903 and decommissioned
in 1969 and since 1970 is a museum vessel. Club SK0QO has been operating
7S0SFJ every year since 1996. The club will put their double dipoles
up for 80/40m and 30/17m as well as their dipole for 20m up Friday
evening, August 14th, and will be active until Sunday, early afternoon.
Rigs: FT-2000, TS-680, IC-706. Activity will be on SSB and CW (Hans,
SM0BYD, mainly on 30/17m). QSL by the Bureau and SM0BYD. SWL reports
are also welcome. For more details and pictures, see:
http://www.qrz.com/callsign/7s0sfj
(The Lightship FINNGRUNDET is managed by SMM (Statens Maritima Museer),
The Swedish National Maritime Museums.)

LZ01, BULGARIA (WFF Op). Operators Gosho/LZ1ZF, Boris/LZ2JR and Rumen/LZ2RS
will activate the special WFF callsign LZ01WFF from the Sokolski Monastery
<http://www.bulgarianmonastery.com/sokolski_monastery.html> in the natural
park "Bulgarka" (LZFF-022, QTH Loc.: KN22QT) between July 24-26th. For
details on the Central Balkan National Park, see the following Web page:
http://www.visitcentralbalkan.net/index.php?l=1&s=1&c=26&o=2005
Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB, plus operations during
the IOTA Contest. All QSOs will be confirmed via the Bureau. QSL via LZ1ZF.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Carsten, OY1CT, will be active from Streymoy (EU-018)
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a Single-Op/CW/24-HRs/
High-Power entry. QSL via OY1CT.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Thomas, OZ1AA, will be active as OY/OZ1AA from
Streymoy (EU-018) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as a
Single-Op/Mix/24-HRs/Low-Power entry. QSL via OZ1ACB. Visit his Web
page at: http://www.oz1aa.com

OY, FAROE ISLANDS (Also TF). Maurizio, IW4BLZ will be active as OY/homecall
from Faroe Islands (EU-018) between July 27-29th. He will also be active
as as TF/homecall from Iceland (TF, EU-021) between July 31st and August
11th. Activity will be on all bands from 80-6 meters. QSLs via his home
callsign, direct or by the bureau.

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Andy, P29CS, on Lihir Island (OC-069), will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via P29CS.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
CS28MCF LOG. The Algarve S.T.A.R. DX Team reports that CS28MCF is now QRT. Last QSO was at 2259z, July 19th. They made 6491 QSOs and the Log is online at: http://algarvedx.com

QSLS VIA LOTW: A7/M0FGA, OH0Z, PV8AA, RA3UT, VK7WI, W1AW/KL7 and YL4HQ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B9/SP2JMB, 4L8A, 4T6I, 9Y4D, AI5P/6Y5, AM8IL, EI6S, GM3MOU, JD1BLY, TS7C, VE3DZ/VP9, VY0A, YS1G and ZW8BBC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE reported this week!

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY will be active as TX3A between November 23rd and December 6th. The TX3A license is valid for 14 days only between the dates listed above. Because these dates could change (due to weather and other things), they "may" have to operate as FK/AA7JV or FK/HA7RY before and after this period. These are the same operators that activated VK9GMW from Mellish Reef, and they plan to make this another simple low-band DXpedition. Their priorities will be 160, 80 and 40 meters, in that order. They will be active on the higher bands the rest of the time. The operators will use the same antenna that they used on Mellish Reef, but they have developed a new RX antenna, which they hope will improve their RX capabilities. QSL via HA7RY:
* Mailing direct -Please include 2 USDs with every direct QSL request for up to three cards per envelope. If you send International Reply Coupons (IRC), please make sure that it is not expired or is not about to expire. DO NOT SEND IRCs that are valid only until end of 2009! Cards are likely to be posted only early 2010. Mailing address: Tamas Pekarik, Alagi ut 15, H-2151 Fot, HUNGARY

* The preferred way is using the "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) on their Web site which they will launch once the DXpedition is over. You can use that form to request your direct QSL and cover the costs of sending the QSL card to you direct by using PayPal. They request a minimum of 5 USDs or 4 EUROs for this service.

* LoTW and eQSL: The log will be placed onto the LoTW and eQSL systems.

* Bureau: They will launch an "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) on their Web site as soon as the expedition is over. If you want to receive your QSL via the bureau, please use that form to request the card. They will check your QSOs against the log and send your card to you via the bureau. This method will allow them faster processing, helps them protect the environment and you will receive your TX3A card faster. If you request your bureau card online, please do NOT request a direct card and do NOT send us your QSL card.

More detailed information is available on their new Web page at: http://www.TX3A.com

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLANDS (Update/QSL Manager Change). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) continue to be active as VK9NI until July 29th. The HARAOA Group plans to have 4-5 stations on the air and plans to be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) during their stay. PLEASE NOTE: QSL via VK3HR (NOT W3HNK as first announced -- Joe states that he was asked to step aside!). More details and updates are available at: http://www.vk9ni.com
Also on Twitter at: http://twitter.com/VK9NI

VY1, CANADA (Yukon RTTY Activity Planned). Steve, N6QEK, is making plans a little early for the 2010 RTTY Roundup. He is all set to operate during the 2010 running of the RTTY Roundup from the Yukon Territory. His callsign will be VY1/N6QEK. The dates of operation will be during the contest and a day or so before and after. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He has a Web site up and running for this operation at: http://www.n6qek.com

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (AF-003). Jim, N6TJ, will once again be active from here as ZD8Z between July 30th and August 7th. Activity will be on all bands CW/SSB. QSL via his new manager AI4U, direct or by the Bureau.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th, 2009)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2009 RSGB IOTA Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2009.html

Contest DXCC IOTA Island QSL
Callsign Entity Route

4D1N Philippines OC-042 Luzon DV1UBY
8J120TDC/2 Japan AS-117 Mikomoto 8J120TDC
9A Croatia EU-170 Passman via homecall, Buro/direct
9A/OE3ZK Croatia EU-016 Korcula OE3ZK; by Buro or direct
9A/S59W Croatia EU-170 Ugljan S59W Buro
9A/US0VA Croatia EU-136 Losinj US0VA
9A/VE3ZIK Croatia EU-170 Hrid Kukuljar DO7ZZ
9A5BDD Croatia EU-170 Pag
9A8ZRS Croatia EU-090 Vela Palagruza TBA
A43SI Oman AS-112 Suwadi A47RS
AM1M Spain EU-142 Mouro EA1DR
AO1I Spain EU-077 Lobeira Grande EA1NT; Buro or direct
AO8Y Canary Islands AF-004 La Palma EA4YK; Buro or direct
BX5AA Taiwan AS-020 Taiwan BX5AA
C6APR Bahamas NA-113 Crooked K3IXD
CG200I Canada NA-128 Ile Verte VE2CQ; Buro or direct
CO8ZZ Cuba NA-015 Isla de Cuba DK1WI

CR2W Azores EU-175 Faial CT1GFK; Buro or direct
CR3D Madeira Island AF-046 Chao LoTW
CR3R Madeira Island AF-046 Chao LoTW; via CT1BOL, direct
CR3T Madeira Island AF-014 Madeira LoTW or direct to CT3KN
D93I South Korea AS-060 Pigum DS4NYE
DL5AUA/p Germany EU-127 Neuwerk DL5AUA
DL5KUD Germany EU-057 Ruegen DL5KUD Buro
DL5XAT/p Germany EU-128 Fehmarn DL5XAT
DL0KWH/p Germany EU-129 Usedom DL0KWH Buro
E51SC South Cook Islands OC-013 Rarotonga LoTW; via G4KIU, RSGB Buro
only
EA1/GM4WZG/p Spain EU-080 Arosa GM4WZG
EF8R Canary Islands AF-004 Gran Canaria LoTW
EI/ON4EI Ireland EU-115 Main ON4EI
EI2JD Ireland EU-115 Main EI2JD
EJ/DL5CW Ireland EU-007 Great Blasket DL5CW
EJ1DD Ireland EU-121 Clare EI7CC
EJ3GKB Ireland EU-006 Inisheer EI3GKB Direct
EJ0GI Ireland EU-006 Inisheer EI2SDR
ES0U Estonia EU-034 Saaremaa ES0U Buro
F/ON7JA France EU-064 Noirmoutier ON7JA; Buro or direct
F/OT2A France EU-105 Ile de Batz ON4HIL
F/0T3T France EU-039 Grande ON7EQ; Buro or direct
F5KKD/p France EU-068 Ile de Sein F5KKD; Buro or direct
F5RAB/p France EU-156 Tombelaine F5RAB
F5SGI/p France EU-048 Belle Ile
F8CFE/p France EU-157 Agot F8CFE
G0UIH/m England EU-005 Isle of Walney G0UIH; Buro or direct
GB100SS England EU-005 Isle of Sheppey
GD0F Isle of Man EU-116 Isle of Man
GI0ADX Northern Ireland EU-122 Rathlin MM0DHQ Buro
GI0MPG Northern Ireland EU-122 Rathlin GI0MPG; Buro or direct
GJ6YB Jersey EU-013 Jersey G3SWH
GM2T Scotland EU-008 Tiree LoTW; via GM4UYZ
GM4UBJ/p Scotland EU-008 Isle of Skye LoTW; via GM4UBJ, Buro,
direct, or eQSL
GM5A Scotland EU-059 Hirta TBA
GM7A Scotland EU-008 Kerrera GM7AAJ
GM7V Scotland EU-010 Benbecula M0CMK
GM0B Scotland EU-123 Isle of Bute MM0BHX
GW2L Wales EU-124 Holy G8ATD
HQ9R Honduras NA-057 Roatan K5WW; Buro or direct,
no cards to WQ7R
HS0AC/p Thailand AS-107 Si Chang HS0ZFZ
IA5 Italy EU-028 Capraia Home Call
IA5K Italy EU-028 Elba IZ5BTC
IB0R Italy EU-045 Ponza IK8HCG Direct
IC8/IW8EHK Italy EU-031 Capri IK7JWX; Buro, direct,
or eQSL
IC8WIC Italy EU-031 Capri IC8WIC; Buro or direct

IH9/IZ2LSC Italy AF-018 Pantelleria LoTW; via IZ2LSC, Buro only
IH9YMC Italy AF-018 Pantelleria IH9YMC Direct
IM0/I0PNM Italy EU-165 San Pietro I0PNM Direct
IM0/IS0BRQ/p Italy EU-024 Isola Ferraglione IS0BRQ
IM0M Italy EU-165 Asinara IS0MKX
IR8DX Italy EU-144 Santo Janni Rock LoTW
IS0/OM8A Sardinia EU-024 Sardinia OM2VL
IS0B Sardinia EU-024 Sardinia
J49A Crete EU-015 Cape Sidiro Direct or via LoTW
K1VSJ USA NA-046 Martha's Vineyard K1VSJ; Buro or direct
K2WR/1 USA NA-055 Vinalhaven LoTW; via K2WR
KO1U USA NA-137 Cousins KO1U
KU8E USA NA-085 St. George KU8E
LA/DH0JAE Norway EU-055 Bomlo DH0JAE
LA/OE9ICI Norway EU-036 Hitra OE9ICI; Buro or direct
LT5X Argentina SA-008 Isla Grande LoTW
M3TBC England EU-123 Arran M3VCQ
M8C England EU-011 St Mary G4DFI
MD4K Isle of Man EU-116 Isle of Man G3NKC
MJ0ASP Jersey EU-013 Jersey MJ0ASP
MM/DL6MHW Scotland EU-008 Isle of Mull DL6MHW
MM3M Scotland EU-123 Isle of Arran G3VCQ; Buro or direct
MM3RDP/p Scotland EU-008 Isle of Skye MM3RDP; Buro or direct
MM3T Scotland EU-008 Isle of Skye MM3T eQSL
MM0LSB/p Scotland EU-010 Great Bernera M0LSB; Buro or direct
MM0MMK/p Scotland EU-008 Tiree MM0MMK
MM0Q Scotland EU-092 Tanera Mor LoTW; via MM0BQI, Buro or
direct
MM0TFU/p Scotland EU-123 Arran MM0TFU; Buro or direct
MW9W Wales EU-124 Ramsey M0URX
N1LI USA NA-137 Long N1LI
N2US/p USA NA-139 Assateague N2US
N4A USA NA-067 Core Banks N4YDU Direct
N5LYG USA NA-143 Galveston N5LYG
OF200AD Finland EU-140 Kuorsalo OH5AD
OH/G4FSU Finland EU-097 Emsalo G4FSU
OH0V Aland Island EU-002 Aland OH6LI
OH0Z Aland Island EU-002 Aland W0MM
OY/OZ1AA Faroe Island EU-018 Streymoy OZ1ACB
OY1CT Faroe Island EU-018 Streymoy OY1CT
OZ/DL2JRM Denmark EU-171 Vendsyssel DL2JRM
OZ/DL4FO Denmark EU-172 Tuno DL4FO
OZ/DO6XX Denmark EU-171 Vendsyssel DO6XX
OZ/ON6QR Denmark EU-172 Aro ON6QR
OZ/PA1H Denmark EU-172 Lango PA1H; Buro or direct
OZ/PA7PA Denmark EU-172 Lango PA1H; Buro or direct
OZ5THY Denmark EU-171 Vendsyssel OZ5THY
OZ8MW/p Denmark EU-088 Anholt OZ8MW; Buro or direct
OZ0FR Denmark EU-125 Romo DL2VFR; via DARC Buro
P29CS Papua New Guinea OC-069 Lihir P29CS

P3J Cyprus AS-004 Cyprus 5B4AHJ
PA/OQ4T/p Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON4TO
PA/OQ9A Netherlands EU-038 Texel
PA/OT7X/p Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON4ON
PA1WLB/p Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland PA1WLB
PA3FKN Netherlands EU-038 Texel PA3FKN
PA6Z Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland PA9M
PD5CW Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland PD5CW; Buro or direct
PE1OPM Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland PE1OPM; Buro or direct
PE1OXV Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland PE1OXV; Buro or direct
PR5D Brazil SA-047 Ilha do Mel PY5DC
PT5T Brazil SA-026 Santa Catarina K3IRV
PV6I Brazil SA-023 Itaparica PT2OP; direct preferred,
but Buro OK
RI1AA Russia (Europe) EU-133 Bolshoi Berezovyy UA1AIR; Buro or direct
RI1OP Russia (Europe) EU-153 Purluda RW3WW
RW0IM/p Russia (Europe) EU-147 Nedorazu-meniya RW0IM
RW0MM/p Russia (Asia) AS-066 Reyneke RW0MM
SA1A Sweden EU-020 Gotland SM1TDE Buro
SF2X Sweden EU-135 Ledskar SM5EFX; Buro or direct
SK6M Sweden EU-043 Tjorn SM6FKF
SM5/G3LAS Sweden EU-084 Fogdo
SM5ELV/5 Sweden EU-177 Aspoja SM5ELV; Buro or direct
SM6EQO/p Sweden EU-043 Styrso SM6EQO
SN1A Poland EU-129 Usedom SP1EG
SP3BJK/1 Poland EU-132 Wolin SP3BJK
SP7VC/1 Poland EU-132 Wolin SP7VC
SP8RX/1 Poland EU-132 Wolin DJ0IF
SQ3RX/1 Poland EU-132 Wolin SQ3RX
SV5/OK6Y Dodecanese EU-001 Kos OK2PTZ
SV8/OE3MZC/p Greece EU-052 Corfu OE3MZC Buro
SV8GGI Greece EU-060 Skyros SV8GGI
SX8M Greece EU-067 Milos SV1JG; Buro or direct
SX8R Greece EU-174 Thassos HA0NAR; Buro or direct
SX8Z Greece EU-113 Kythira LoTW; via SV1DPI direct
T47D Cuba NA-201 Cayo Anclitas CO7PH
TK/OM2FY Corsica EU-014 Corsica OM2FY
TK5UX Corsica EU-014 Corsica F5MUX; prefer QSL via eQSL
TM7C France EU-064 Noirmoutier F5CWU; Buro or direct
TM7O France EU-032 Oleron GW3SQX
UA3EDQ/1 Russia (Europe) EU-147 Yakostrov UA3EDQ
UA0IDZ/p Russia (Europe) EU-147 Nedorazu-meniya UA0IDZ
UU7J/p Ukraine EU-180 Tuzla UU0JM
UW0G Ukraine EU-179 Kalanchakskiy TBA
V31UR Belize NA-073 Caye Caulker W6UR; Buro or direct
VA7PX Canada NA-075 Mayne
VC8B Canada NA-129 Banks VE8EV; Buro or direct
(SAE + 2GS or IRC)
VE Canada NA-091 Taxeda
VK9NI Norfolk Island OC-005 Norfolk VK3HR

VO1AU Canada NA-198 Bell VO1AU
VO1HP Canada NA-027 Newfoundland LoTW
VY2Z Canada NA-029 Prince Edward VE3ZZ; Buro or direct
W2IY/1 USA NA-055 Mt Desert W2IY; Buro or eQSL
W3RFA USA NA-140 Smith W3RFA
W4T USA NA-083 Tangier LoTW; via K5VIP
W8ND/VE1 Canada NA-081 Big Tancook K8MCN; Buro or direct
YB4IR Indonesia OC-143 Sumatra LoTW; via eQSL
YC9MDX Indonesia OC-148 Timor
YM0T Turkey AS-159 Kefken TA2RC
ZZ6Z Brazil SA-023 Itaparica LoTW; via PY6HD, Buro
or direct
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10361. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-25 00:26:06 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10361

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 24 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 205 Issued at 2200Z on 24 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. No flares were
observed during the past 24 hours. The solar disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled. Solar wind speeds
observed from the ACE spacecraft are averaging around 550 km/s with
minor IMF Bz fluctuations (+/-2nT).
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominately quiet for the next three days (25-27
July). Isolated unsettled conditions are expected for 26 July due
to a recurrent high speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 25 Jul-27 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 Jul 068
Predicted 25 Jul-27 Jul 069/070/070
90 Day Mean 24 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 Jul 008/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 24 Jul 006/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 25 Jul-27 Jul 005/005-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 25 Jul-27 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10362. RG 8 (The big stuff") and off subject

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-25 02:56:03 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10362 Message: 10362

I sent this to several lists as I thought it might be of interest.

If you get a big chunk of (~6') save it. I does not have to be good stuff. My commode has gave me some "issues",as you might say, lately. I have found that the coax is the right size and flexibility to navagate all the traps and do the same job for nuttin, that a $100.00 plumber can't do. Works even better than those "snakes" you buy at the local hardware.

Just thought I would pass it along. Just another reason we can give the xyl to validate the existance of the "junk box" hi hi

Dale K8TS

10363. Re: [DX-IS] RG 8 (The big stuff") and off subject

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-25 03:12:23 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10362 Message: 10363

I wouldn't use 9913 though, as I assume that job would get too much water in the feedline.

Did you find that N connectors worked better than PL259s?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 7/24/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@comcast.net> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] RG 8 (The big stuff") and off subject
To: "Larry Knapp" <kc8jx@...>
Date: Friday, July 24, 2009, 9:56 PM

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10364. Re: [DX-IS] RG 8 (The big stuff") and off subject

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-25 03:21:28 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10362 Message: 10364

Could not find the snake, just found an old "chunk" in the garage with no ends on it at all. In fact, I think the reason that it was not being used was that the braid already had water in it and was unusable. Till now.

Dale

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@yahoo.com>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2009 11:12:23 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] RG 8 (The big stuff") and off subject

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Dale K8TS

10365. ARLP030 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-24 19:17:44 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5402 Message: 10365

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP030
ARLP030 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP30
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 30 ARLP030
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA July 24, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP030
ARLP030 Propagation de K7RA

No new sunspots yet, but a big surprise this week with aurora and a geomagnetic storm. The activity peaked around 0300-0900z on Wednesday July 22, with K index as high as 6. Planetary A index for the day was 24. You can see the K index variation at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt. One nice result was aurora propagation on six meters.

A week ago there wasn't any indicator of increased activity. If you go to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html and click on July 21, you can see that the forecast was modified more than once, but the highest forecast was an A index of only 15.

KN5O and N5OMG in Louisiana both worked JA7QVI on six meters on June 17. KN5O worked him at 2359z, and 30 minutes later reported that the JA7QVI signal was still holding steady at S2. This was on a Friday, five days before the aurora.

Patrick Hamel, W5THT in Mississippi on July 17 noted that July propagation on six meters is some of the best he has ever experienced. He wonders if the volcano erupting on Sarychev Peak on Matua Island is spewing conductive ash, possibly reflecting radio waves. I don't know if that is true or not, but at http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-1195215/ you can see dramatic photos of the eruption.

There is a new sunspot trying to emerge today, but it looks to be from old cycle 23.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet geomagnetic conditions July 24-25, quiet to unsettled July 26, and back to quiet for July 27-30.

The U.S. Air Force and NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center calls for planetary A index of 5 for July 24-25, 8 on July 26, 7 on July

27, and back to 5 though the end of the month. They predict solar flux on July 24-26 at 68, 69 and 70, remaining at 70 through August 7.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for July 16 through 22 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 66.7, 66.2, 67, 67.6, 68.2, 67.7, and 67.8 with a mean of 67.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 2, 3, 2, 6, 4 and 24 with a mean of 6.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 0, 1, 1, 3, 3 and 18 with a mean of 4.
NNNN
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10366. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-25 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10366

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 25 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 206 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. No flares were
observed during the past 24 hours. The solar disk is spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels. Solar wind
speeds observed from the ACE spacecraft have diminished during the
past 24 hours. Solar wind velocities now average around 460 km/s.
The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached
high levels today.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet for the next three days (26-28 July).
III. Event Probabilities 26 Jul-28 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Jul 069
Predicted 26 Jul-28 Jul 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 25 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Jul 005/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Jul 005/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Jul-28 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Jul-28 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10367. Signal identification

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-26 13:56:25 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10367 Message: 10367

You guys recall the AEA PK-232 TNC having a mode where it would tell you what it thought the unknown digital signal was? I don't think it was very sophisticated. It probably cycled through the 7-8 modes it "knew" and if it got anything that it could lock on and decipher the noise to get sensible text, it reported the signal as that. It wasn't perfect, but it was surprisingly good for what they could cram into an EPROM. It could tell you if it was RTTY normal or reverse, AMTOR, FEC A, etc.

Does anything like this exist in the current world of software decoding? There is PSK31, PSK125, Hellschreiber, Olivia, RTTY (normal and reversed, and various baud rates), MFSK, MT63, Packet, Pactor, Amtor and like a lot more on the air. Some come and go, and others seem to stay. Anyhow, unless you are a guru at recognising the tones or have 5 different programs, it appears you just have to guess until you get it right.

I always though that feature in AEA's TNC was slick and wondered why it hasn't been replicated in any of the new sound card decoding programs. Maybe it has, and I just haven't found it. Used to be nice to tune the commercial segments of the bands and find a 75-Baud RTTY news feed or a SITOR Xmission from ships, etc. While this stuff is almost all gone, some mysterious signals still exist -- probably encrypted but maybe not. I recall catching a SITOR transmission in the late 1980s from a ship sending in the payroll info for the crew . . .

What jogged my memory was a curious signal on 14.008 MHz an hour ago. Sounded like RTTY but MMTTY couldn't decode it either normal or reverse, nor any of the baud rates I tried. I'm sure it was some sort of encrypted military stuff, and it went away after 4-5 minutes, but it would have been fun to have a program try all the known modes.

73, Paul VE1DX

10368. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-26 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10368

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 26 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 207 Issued at 2200Z on 26 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 25/2100Z
to 26/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. No flares were
observed during the past 24 hours. The solar disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 25/2100Z to 26/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at quiet levels for the next three days (27-29 July).
III. Event Probabilities 27 Jul-29 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 26 Jul 068
Predicted 27 Jul-29 Jul 069/070/070
90 Day Mean 26 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 Jul 005/007
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 Jul 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 Jul-29 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 Jul-29 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10369. QSL Returns

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-26 22:29:58 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10369 Message: 10369

Greetings, Here is an excerpt from our club's fortnightly newsletter written by our qsl manager who also happens to run the VK6 bureau. It highlights some of the frustrations that we all face in pursuit of that precious qsl card.

Quote:
Checking out the return of the direct qsl mail that has been sent out for contacts made during contests. The qsling was done to increase our dx count for the various bands and for new entities.
NIL RETURN from the following:
Oceania 2007. 5B4AIF on 7 US$2
BG7MSN 7 IRC
BG7NWF 7 US$2
DL2AH AS A MANAGER US $5

CQ.WW, 07
VE7SV on 3.5 US$2
SV9GPV 21 "
ZS6HA 3.5 "
YU7ZZ 14 "
KH6LC 3.5 "

ALL those listed below would have been qsled with US$2 at least.

CQ.WW..08 E77E
E71A
VU2SWS 7.14.21.
VU2PTT 21
VU2RG 7
VU2NRD 14.
OTHERS WORTHY OF MENTION .
IOTA Mar 2008
SV5FRD Manager SX5P
S21YV "" KX7YT
5X4X " DF5GQ
E77MMM " K2PF

AND,
VE6FI " VE3IG
S79JF " DL7JAN
E73M " K2PF
HI3TEJ : ON4IQ
MJ4K : G3NKC
LZ4W
E74Y
E7DX

E77E
GI4SNA
And a list of 19 others from the Oceania OCT 2008 contest, which may
be too soon to expect a return from them, HI.

Recd today from the Dutch QSL Bureau,4 qsl cards for
VK9LA, it cost Euro 0.95 to post.

End Quote

73, Alek,
VK6APK

http://www.qrz.com/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/vk6py

10370. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-27 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10370

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 27 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 208 Issued at 2200Z on 27 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk was void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (28-30 July).
III. Event Probabilities 28 Jul-30 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 Jul 068
Predicted 28 Jul-30 Jul 069/069/070
90 Day Mean 27 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 26 Jul 001/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 27 Jul 004/004
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 Jul-30 Jul 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 Jul-30 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10371. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-28 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10371

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 28 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 209 Issued at 2200Z on 28 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 27/2100Z
to 28/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk continues to be void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 27/2100Z to 28/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next two days (29-30 July). A slight
increase is possible on the third day (31 July) due to a favorably
positioned coronal hole; quiet to unsettled levels should
predominate although there is a slight chance for an active period.
III. Event Probabilities 29 Jul-31 Jul
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 28 Jul 069
Predicted 29 Jul-31 Jul 069/070/070
90 Day Mean 28 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 27 Jul 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 28 Jul 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 29 Jul-31 Jul 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 29 Jul-31 Jul
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/20
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10372. K5D QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 01:11:00 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10372 Message: 10372

Got my K5D QSL(s) today -- very nice card(s) and I now have KP5 on all bands 10-160 except 10 SSB and both modes on 12.

However, the person who mailed the envelope to me added postage to the 72-cents + an "H" stamp to total $1.49. I don't have a scale accurate enough to weigh the envelope that contained both the fold-over card and a single card plus three small pieces of advertising but I really doubt that it required an additional stamp.

Could someone clear this up?

73

Al, VE1AL

10373. Re: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 02:14:53 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10372 Message: 10373

Al;

I believe I just sent a sase, and have had my card since some time in June. I think if I recall right the mgr. was in USA, and to send something to 'ya northern's cost more to cross the lline. Sure don't think it needs to be that much. Personal opinion thouth.
I did do an online for VK9NA but only have heard rummors about that one. However, it is nice to be waiting for qsl's again.....instead of sunspots hi hi

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 9:11:00 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

Got my K5D QSL(s) today -- very nice card(s) and I now have KP5 on all bands 10-160 except 10 SSB and both modes on 12.

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10374. Cycle Minimum Blues

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 13:12:46 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10374 Message: 10374

http://www.ve1dx.net/Stories/story109.html

73, Paul VE1DX

10375. Re: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 14:58:35 UTC
From: wc6dx@aol.com
Topic: 10372 Message: 10375

hi Al --

?By international postal regulations, all stamps on international mail must state their value.

?The US lettered stamps (A-H) have no value printed on them and?were never?meant for international use.? They were only to be used on domestic US postage.? That's what the Post Office explained when they issued them.

?If you have a stash of those US?lettered stamps, they are worthless for international mail.? Suggest you trade or sell them?to a US ham for the appropriate value.? That's why K5D had to make up the difference.

?As a QSL Bureau sorter, I still have old envelopes on file from customers with these lettered stamps, and I have to verify their value before I take them to my post office.?

73 de Will WC6DX

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-----Original Message-----
From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tue, Jul 28, 2009 6:11 pm
Subject: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

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Al, VE1AL

Yahoo! Groups Links

10376. RE: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 21:30:13 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10372 Message: 10376

Thanks for the explanation, Will. Actually, I have used the US lettered stamps to make up current postage for many, many years. There has never been a problem. I just wondered why the amount of postage had been increased to $1.49 from the 72-cents I had put on it. Here in Canada we can purchase stamps with no denomination on them (I never have but know they're available) and no matter when you use them and no matter what you paid for them they will make up the difference when postal rates increase. I don't know if that applies to the outrageous amount Canada charges for international postage or not.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of wc6dx@...
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2009 11:59 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

hi Al --

By international postal regulations, all stamps on international mail must state their value.

The US lettered stamps (A-H) have no value printed on them and were never meant for international use. They were only to be used on domestic US postage. That's what the Post Office explained when they issued them.

If you have a stash of those US lettered stamps, they are worthless for international mail. Suggest you trade or sell them to a US ham for the appropriate value. That's why K5D had to make up the difference.

As a QSL Bureau sorter, I still have old envelopes on file from customers with these lettered stamps, and I have to verify their value before I take them to my post office.

73 de Will WC6DX

-----Original Message-----
From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tue, Jul 28, 2009 6:11 pm
Subject: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

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bands 10-160 except 10 SSB and both modes on 12.

However, the person who mailed the envelope to me added postage to the 72-cents + an "H" stamp to total $1.49. I don't have a scale accurate enough to weigh the envelope that contained both the fold-over card and a single card plus three small pieces of advertising but I really doubt that it required an additional stamp.

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73

Al, VE1AL

Yahoo! Groups Links

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/

Individual Email | Traditional

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/join

(Yahoo! ID required)

mailto:DX-IS-digest@yahoogroups.com
<mailto:DX-IS-digest@yahoogroups.com?>

mailto:DX-IS-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com
<mailto:DX-IS-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com?>

DX-IS-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

10377. Nondenominational stamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 21:52:39 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10372 Message: 10377

At 06:30 PM 7/29/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

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>lettered stamps to make up current postage for many, many
>years. There has never been a problem. I just wondered why the
>amount of postage had been increased to $1.49 from the 72-cents I
>had put on it. Here in Canada we can purchase stamps with no
>denomination on them (I never have but know they're available) and
>no matter when you use them and no matter what you paid for them
>they will make up the difference when postal rates increase. I
>don't know if that applies to the outrageous amount Canada charges
>for international postage or not.
>
>73
>
>Al, VE1AL

Al, Will, etc.

Stamps in Canada (and the USA) that are "permanent" (as in no price marked on them) are for domestic use only. In Canada, it costs $0.98 to send a letter to the USA and $1.65 to send a letter to anywhere else outside of Canada. I forget what it costs for a domestic stamp (~55-cents, I think), but you can't put two of them on a letter going to the USA. You have to buy a $0.98 stamp with 98-cents printed on it. Same for International. The stamp must have $1.65 printed on it. 4 or 5 domestic "permanent" stamps won't work.

73, Paul VE1DX

10378. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10378

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 29 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 210 Issued at 2200Z on 29 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 28/2100Z
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the past 24 hours. The solar disk was void of sunspots.
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Observed 29 Jul 068
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 30 Jul-01 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/20/20
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10379. RE: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 22:23:04 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10372 Message: 10379

I'm not one of those guys who has the card in the mail before the ink is dry in the log, Dale. In my latest batch of bureau cards, I have a bunch going back to 1995 (outgoing from me!!!). I also use SASEs for Canada and the US but thought the amount I had put on the SASE for K5D was enough to get it back to me in Canada. Good thing I included a little cash donation with my request, hi!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 11:15 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K5D QSL

Al;

I believe I just sent a sase, and have had my card since some time in June. I think if I recall right the mgr. was in USA, and to send something to 'ya northern's cost more to cross the lline. Sure don't think it needs to be that much. Personal opinion thouth. I did do an online for VK9NA but only have heard rummors about that one. However, it is nice to be waiting for qsl's again.....instead of sunspots hi hi

Dale K8TS

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From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 9:11:00 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Got my K5D QSL(s) today -- very nice card(s) and I now have KP5 on all bands 10-160 except 10 SSB and both modes on 12.

However, the person who mailed the envelope to me added postage to the 72-cents + an "H" stamp to total $1.49. I don't have a scale accurate enough to weigh the envelope that contained both the fold-over card and a single card plus three small pieces of advertising but I really doubt that it required an additional stamp.

Could someone clear this up?

73

Al, VE1AL

10380. RE: [DX-IS] Nondenominational stamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-29 23:00:22 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10372 Message: 10380

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Date: Wed, 29 Jul 2009 18:52:39 -0300
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10381. RE: [DX-IS] Nondenominational stamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-30 00:57:31 UTC
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Topic: 10372 Message: 10381

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-30 04:09:07 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10372 Message: 10382

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-30 05:24:17 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10372 Message: 10383

Not Roman (XLVIII), but Arabic (48).

LXXIII, Dick, W1KSZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-30 12:15:15 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10384 Message: 10384

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tx and 73,
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10385. Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-30 14:07:39 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10384 Message: 10385

I found the answer (Perry at ARRL) -
There is no way to use callsign alone to resolve qth for US possessions
(other than Guantanamo Bay).
This is because hams can keep their callsign when they move between USA
and possessions.
Of course I knew this was true for movement between states, but I
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Date: 2009-07-30 14:15:30 UTC
From: Michael Keane K1MK
Topic: 10384 Message: 10386

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The short answer is no there are no rules and there is no way to know for sure from which of the US DXCC entities a station is operating based solely on the station's call sign.

Callsigns with KP4, NP4, WP4 prefixes are only issued to applicants with a mailing address in Puerto Rico. However, the holder of a US license may move (change mailing address) to/from Puerto Rico without having to change his/her call sign

The holder of any valid US license may operate from anywhere the amateur service is regulated by the FCC using his/her call sign with no additional ID requirements. (Note, the amateur service in Guantanamo Bay and Antarctica is NOT regulated by the FCC)

73,
Mike K1MK

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10387. ARLD030 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-30 21:45:37 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 10387 Message: 10387

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ARLD030 DX news

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DX Bulletin 30 ARLD030
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 30, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD030 DX news

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SWAZILAND, 3DA0. Operators GI4FUM, G4LDL, GM3TAL, M0VAA, NC4MM and UT5EL are QRV as 3DA0DJ, 3DA0TB, 3DA0MH, 3DA0VA, 3DA0MM and 3DA0EL until August 11. They may also be QRV as 3DA0SS from an international Scout Camp near Manzini. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters with two stations active simultaneously and around the clock. QSL to home calls.

TANZANIA, 5H. Pat, N2IEN plans to be QRV as 5H2PD until August 8. Activity is on 40, 30, 20 and 15 meters using mainly CW with some SSB. QSL direct to home call.

LESOTHO, 7P. Operators HA5AO, K5LBU, W0MM, 9M6XRO and DJ0YI are QRV as 7P8AO, 7P8CF, 7P8MM, 7P8OK and 7P8YI until August 13. Activity is on all HF bands using CW and SSB with two stations active all the time, with a third station active using just RTTY and PSK. QSL 7P8OK via M0URX and all others to home calls.

GERMANY, DA. Members of the Waldkirchen Radio Club are QRV using special event callsign DP3SSKW until December 31 in celebration of the 3rd Shito-ryu Shukokai Karate 2009 Worldcup being held in Waldkirchen. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Hans, DL5SDF is QRV as DU9/homecall from Mindanao Island, IOTA OC-130, and is here until June 2010. Activity is on the HF bands using CW. QSL direct.

SPAIN, EA. Special event station EG2LB will be QRV August 1 and 2 in celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Louis

Braille. Activity will be on 80, 40 and 20 meters. QSL via EA3RKR.

ESTONIA, ES. Juri, ES5GP is QRV as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island, IOTA EU-178, until August 9. This includes possible activity from Lighthouse WLOTA LH-0775. QSL to home call.

SCOTLAND, GM. Dave, M0GGK will be QRV as MM0GGK/p from the Isle of Lewis, IOTA EU-010, from August 1 to 8. Activity will generally be between 2100 and 0000z. QSL to home call.

DOMINICA, J7. Pierre, HB9CUA is QRV as J79PAK until August 6. He has been active mostly on 6 meters, but with some 17 and 15 meter activity as well. QSL to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Operators PT2OP and PY6KW are QRV as ZW6LH and PR6S, respectively, from the state of Bahia until August 8. This includes participation in the ILLW contest. QSL to home calls.

EGYPT, SU. Look for a group of operators to be QRV as SU8LH from August 1 to 9 from Ras El-Bar island. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters using CW and SSB. This includes an entry in the ILLW contest. QSL via SU1SK.

GREECE, SV. Operators HA8UT, HA8TU, HA8TT, HG8AA and HA8SS are QRV as J42Z, SX2Z and SV2/homecalls until August 4. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via HA8UT.

DODECANESE, SV5. Several members of the Dodecanese Radio Amateur Association are QRV as SX5SYMI from Symi Island, IOTA EU-001, until August 3. QSL via SV5FRI.

ICELAND, TF. Maurizio, IW4BLZ is QRV as TF/homecall until August 11. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters. This includes possible activity from Lighthouse WLOTA LH-2975. QSL to home call.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R45EFIR will be QRV from Efremov from August 1 to 10 to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the founding of the "Efir" radio club. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. Jim, N6TJ is QRV as ZD8Z until August 7. Activity is on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via AI4U.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Dave, W9CGI is QRV as ZF2GC from Grand Cayman, IOTA NA-016, until August 10. Activity is on 17 and 12 meters using mostly SSB and PSK31. QSL direct.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL UHF Contest, International Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend (ILLW) QSO Contest, North American CW QSO Party, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, TARA Grid Dip Shindig, 10-10 International Summer SSB Contest, NCCC Sprint, European HF Championship, RSGB RoPoCo 2 and the SARL HF Phone Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The ARS Spartan CW

Sprint is scheduled for August 4. Please see August QST, page 76,
and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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From: Paul Dunphy
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10389. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #918.1

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Date: 2009-07-30 23:35:11 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
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This bulletin is just a reminder that "two" lighthouse activities will be taking place starting this weekend. Lighthouse activities have become very popular over the last several years, especially in August. Be prepared to have all kinds of reference numbers tossed at you when working these stations (ARLHS, ILLW, Member#...etc.). Some may think this is not DX, but you are wrong. It is fun and a challenge to work as many lighthouses as it is working many DXCC entities. Remember, there are awards and prizes (see the following societies' Web pages for details). Enjoy the next few weeks in working the many LH stations (between the two ILLW events - over 600 participants are listed). The scheduled events in August are as follows:

August 1-9th: The International Lighthouse-Lightship Week and QSO Party Contest. This highly popular annual event, now in its 15th year, has been extended to a full week! This activity also takes place during the "National Lighthouse Day", as proclaimed by the U.S. Congress (see <http://www.lighthousefoundation.org/museum/natllighthouseday_info.htm>. Complete details on the "ILLW Special Event" and the "ILLW QSO Party Contest" can be found on the following Web pages:
http://ialhp.org
http://www.illw.org
For a list of ILLW participants: http://illw.org/9-list.html

August 15-16th: The International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend is held every third full weekend in August starting at 0001z on Saturday and finishing at 2359z on Sunday. It also now coincides on the Sunday with the "International Lighthouse Day" which is an event organized by the "International Association of Lighthouse Keepers" whereby as many world lighthouses will be open to the public for the day." The ILLW event is organized and controlled solely by the "Ayr Amateur Radio Group" of Scotland. The basic objective of

the event is to promote public awareness of lighthouses and
lightships and their need for preservation and restoration,
to promote amateur radio and to foster international
goodwill. The event is NOT a contest. There are no prizes,
certificates or other enticements to participate and
therefore, participation is free. Each station's operators
decide how they will operate their station regards modes
and bands. For complete details on the "ILLW Event", go
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Some late ILLW announcements:

Operators Doug/KD8CAO and John/K8YSE will activate Little Point Sable
(USA-443), the Grand Haven South Pierhead Inner (USA-1077) and Grand
Haven South Pierhead Outer (USA-1078) Michigan lighthouses for the
International Lighthouse-Lightship Week, August 1-9th. Operation from
Little Point Sable LH will be on August 1st. On August 2nd, they will
activate the Grand Haven South Pierhead LH, Inner and Outer. Look for
them on all HF bands. Satellite operations on AO-51, SO-50 and AO-27 are
a possibility. QSL via K8YSE.

Members of the Turkish group called SWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team
- TCSWAT) is proud to announce new TC activities in collaboration with
the Directorate General of Coastal Safety (Web page was provided --
<http://www.kiyiemniyeti.gov.tr/default.asp?id=0&lng=en>). It has been
ten years since the big earthquake of August 17, 1999, hit the Marmara
area of Turkey: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1999_%C4%B0zmit_earthquake
TCSWAT will be on the air to remember those who lost their lives in this
natural disaster. There will be two stations; one from Yalova - TC99Y
and one from Kocaeli- TC99K. Since the anniversary coincides with the
International Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend, stations will be located in
the lighthouses on the coast of Marmara Sea. TC99Y will be active from
Bozburun Lighthouse in Yalova (KN40JM) and TC99K from Yelkenkaya
Lighthouse (TUR-054) in Kocaeli (KN40QS). TC1LHW, a TCSWAT classic,
will also be on the air from Karaburun Lighthouse (TUR-036) on the
Black Sea coast. Activity will be mainly on HF SSB, VHF-UHF FM. Detailed
information about the stations and operators will be at QRZ.com and
<http://www.tcswat.org>. There will be a special award for those who
contact both TC99 stations on more than one band. Details will be
announced later on TCSWAT Web site.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
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mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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10390. RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 08:21:48 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10384 Message: 10390

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 13:07:43 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10391

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Date: 2009-07-31 13:17:41 UTC
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Topic: 10384 Message: 10392

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Date: 2009-07-31 13:44:58 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10393

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10394. Re: Nondenominational stamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 13:51:42 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10372 Message: 10394

Over the last couple of years, I have consistently put two "lettered" stamps ("First Class Forever") on outgoing mail to Canada. Thus far not a single letter has been rejected or returned. If additional postage was added anywhere, the recipient did not note it.

I think it's much like IRCs - those who truly understand the rule perhaps feel obligated to enforce it.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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> At 06:30 PM 7/29/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
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> >Thanks for the explanation, Will. Actually, I have used the US
> >lettered stamps to make up current postage for many, many
> >years. There has never been a problem. I just wondered why the
> >amount of postage had been increased to $1.49 from the 72-cents I
> >had put on it. Here in Canada we can purchase stamps with no
> >denomination on them (I never have but know they're available) and
> >no matter when you use them and no matter what you paid for them
> >they will make up the difference when postal rates increase. I
> >don't know if that applies to the outrageous amount Canada charges
> >for international postage or not.
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> >Al, VE1AL
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> Al, Will, etc.
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> Stamps in Canada (and the USA) that are "permanent" (as in no
> price marked on them) are for domestic use only. In Canada, it costs
> $0.98 to send a letter to the USA and $1.65 to send a letter to
> anywhere else outside of Canada. I forget what it costs for a
> domestic stamp (~55-cents, I think), but you can't put two of them on
> a letter going to the USA. You have to buy a $0.98 stamp with
> 98-cents printed on it. Same for International. The stamp must have
> $1.65 printed on it. 4 or 5 domestic "permanent" stamps won't work.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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10395. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 13:55:19 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10384 Message: 10395

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Date: 2009-07-31 14:22:01 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10396

Even worse, most DXpeditions to US territories CHOOSE NOT to use a special prefix telling where they are:

K5K-Kingman Reef
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 16:04:34 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10384 Message: 10397

In 1979 I worked:
VE1AI now CYØ Sable Island
VE1CR now CY9 St. Paul Island
LU5ZA counted for VP8O So. Orkney
LU3ZY counted for VP8/SA So. Sandwich
LU5ZI counted for VP8/SH So. Shetland
I remember KH6 was Hawaii and VR6 Pitcairn now VP6 (not to be confused with Ducie Island)
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
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10398. [425ENG] 425 DX News #952

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 16:22:00 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10398 Message: 10398

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

4W - 4W6AL is the callsign issued to Al, CT1GPQ for his activity from East Timor (OC-148) [425DXN 951]. Al hopes to be QRV around 7 August, and will operate in his spare time, mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY, on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via CT1GFK. Updates and on-line log search will be available at http://algarvedx.com
5B - Andy, LZ2HM will be active as 5B/LZ2HM from Cyprus on 4-11 August. He will be QRV on 160-2 metres and will participate in the WAE DX Contest CW (8-9 August) as C4I. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
CE - The Three Stars DX Group (http://www.3stardxgroup.cl/) will be active as XR6B from the Morro Bonifacio lighthouse (ARLHS CHI-103) on 7-9 August. They plan to operate on several bands SSB and CW. QSL via CE6AMN.
DL - Operated by DK8ZM, DL4KWS, DO6KT, HB9KOM, OZ2KIL and PA5UL, special event station DP9S will be active from 29 July to 8 August at the German National Scout Jamboree in Buhlenberg. QSL via DK8ZM. [TNX Southgate Amateur Radio News]
DU - Hans, DL5SDF is back on Mindanao Island (OC-130) and expects to be QRV again as DU9/DL5SDF sometime in August. He operates CW only. QSL direct to Hans Bohnet, Purok 5, Lower Bon-Bon, Libertad, Butuan City 8600, Philippines or via the DARC bureau to DL5SDF (bureau card requests will have to wait until June 2010, when he will go back to Germany). [TNX DXNL]
EA - Five special event stations will be active on 8-23 August for the Formula 1 Grand Prix of Europe that will take place in Valencia: AM5FUV (operated by EC5BZR), AN5FUV (operated by EB5GGB), AO5FUV (operated by EA5UB), EG5FUV (operated by EA5FL) and EH5FUV (operated by EA5GVZ).
F - Alain, F6ENO will be active from Re Island (EU-032) on 2-3 August. He will operate CW QRP on +/- 7030, 10115 and 14040 kHz. QSL via F6ENO, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
F - Special event call TM9CDX will be aired between 5 and 19 September for the 31st Convention of the Clipperton DX Club, this year to be held at Strasbourg on 18-19 September (details at

http://www.cdxc.org/). QSL via F5CWU.
G - GB4WINGS will be QRV from Windsor Great Park, England on 1-8
August. Expect activity on HF (SSB and digital modes, with some
CW) and 2m (SSB) most of the day and some evenings. This is part
of a communications activity for 5000 Guides and Scouts
participating in international camp WINGS 2009. QSL via M0XDF.
[TNX Southgate Amateur Radio News]
HK - Cody, KC2LSD and Pedro, HK3JJH will be active as 5K5T from Gorgona
Island (SA-017) between 2 and 5 August. They plan to operate SSB
and CW on 40-10 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]
HL - Tai, DS2NMJ will be active as DS2NMJ/2 from Tokchok Island
(AS-090) on 2-3 August. He will operate SSB on 40 and 15 metres,
with less than 50 waats and a GP. QSl via home call, direct or
bureau. [TNX DS2NMJ]
I - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs
awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, special callsign IY1NGM is being in
use until 10 October. QSL via IZ1LBG, direct or bureau. [TNX
IZ1LBG]
I - Fabio, IW1DFU will be active as IA5/IW1DFU from Elba Island
(EU-028, IIA LI-001) on 1-13 August. He will operate holiday style
mainly CW, with a focus on 30 metres. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. [TNX IW1DFU]
I - Look for IW6ATQ/p, IW6DLY/p and IZ6PPU/p to be active from a
couple of lighthouses (ARLHS ITA-229 and ITA-230) in Ancona on 8-9
August. They plan to operate SSB and digital modes on 10, 20 and
40 metres. QSL via bureau. [TNX IZ6ASI]
IS0 - Fabrizio, IK5WOB, will be active as IS0/IK5WOB from Sardinia
(EU-024) on 2-12 August. He will operate on 40, 30 amd 20 metres
CW only. QSL via home call. [TNX IK5WOB]
JD_oga - look for JD1BLY (QSL via JI5RPT) and JD1BNF (QSL via JO1LVZ) to be
active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara on 9-15 August.
Activity will be on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes, plus
satellite and 2m WSJT EME.QSL via home calls, direct or bureau.
[TNX OPDX Bulletin]
LY - Bronius/LY1CM, Gintautas/LY2GV and Tomas/LY3X plan to be active
from several Lithuanian lighthouses between 6 and 19 August.
Information on the Lithuanian Lighthouses Award can be found at
http://qrz.lt/ly1cm/index_eng.htm [TNX IK3GER]
P2 - After operating from OC-102, OC-231 and OC-205 between 22 October
and 9 November [425DXN 939], Hans, SM6CVX plans to continue the
trip on a solo basis as follows:
11-13 November Hastings Island OC-117
13-14 November Normanby Island OC-116
15-16 November Loloata Island OC-240
The callsign will be P29VCX and QSL via SM6CVX. The web page for
the expedition is at http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009 [TNX
IZ1CRR]
SV - Pista, HA8UT and his "fhamily" - including HA8TU (wife), HA8TT
(younger daughter), HG8SS (elder daughter) and HA8SS (son-in-law)
- are spending their summer holidays at Neo Potidea, Greece until

4 August. They are active as SX2Z and/or SV2/homecall on 40-6
metres CW and SSB. QSL via HA8UT, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
T6 - Steve, W7VOA will be in Kabul to report on the Afghan national
elections between 8 and 22 August. He plans to operate as T6AD
when time permits, using 100 watts and a G5RV antenna with a focus
on 40, 20 and 15 metres CW (and maybe PSK). QSL via K2AU. [TNX
NG3K]
TK - Laurent, F8BBL will be active as TK8B from Corsica (EU-014) on
1-15 August. He will operate holiday style mainly SSB, with some
SSB. Weather and sea dependent side trips to the Lavezzi Islands
(EU-164, 6 August) and the Sanguinaires Islands (EU-104, 11
August) are also being planned. QSL via F8BBL, direct or bureau.
On 8 August he he hopes to go to Punta di Corna Caprunu (535m
a.s.l.) for the SOTA programme. [TNX F5NQL]
UA - Jurij/UA1OC, Aleksej/RN1ON and Vladimir/UA1OMP will be active as
UE1OLH from a couple of lighthouses (ARLHS ERU-002 and ERU-146) on
Mud'yugskiy Island (EU-153) from 31 July to 4 August. They plan to
operate CW and SSB on 80, 40, 30, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via
RK1OZM, direct or bureau. [TNX RN1ON]
W - The Cape Ann Amateur Radio Association will be active again as W1T
from Thacher Island (NA-148) between 1 and 9 August, with main
operation on the 8th and the 9th. Activity will take place from
either the North Tower (ARLHS USA-1027) and the South Tower (ARLHS
USA-105). QSL via W1GLO (direct). [TNX VA3RJ]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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CONWAY REEF 2009 ---> The website for the 1-10 October DXpedition to Conway
Reef [425DXN 948] is now up and running at http://www.conwayreef2009.de.
Jan, DJ8NK reports that everything is on schedule: "the paperwork is done,
the flights are booked, the catamaran is chartered, and the hardware is in
store". [TNX DJ8NK]

EU HF CHAMPIONSHIP ---> Organized by the Slovenia Contest Club, this year's
event will take place on 1 August, from 12 UTC to 23.59 UTC. Only Europe to
Europe contacts count. Rules at http://lea.hamradio.si/scc/euhf/euhfc.htm

GEOPARK CERTIFICATE ---> The English Riviera Geopark is offering a special
commemorative European Geoparks Network certificate for contacts made (or
heard, for SWLs) with GB6GEO and other Geopark stations. Details can be
found at www.qrz.com under GB6GEO [TNX G3VOF]

ILLW ---> The 11th annual International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend,
organized and managed by the Ayr Amateur Radio Group, will take place from
00.01 UTC on 15 August until 23.59 UTC on the 16th. Complete information on
this popular event can be found at http://illw.net. The list of

participating stations (320+ so far) is at http://illw.net/2009_list.htm

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Volker Winterscheid (DF7IT), Paul Homer (G4BXT), Sandro Jose Tafarelo (PY2OW), Igor V. Kovalyov (RU6FZ, ex-UA6HCW), Robert J. Hudson (W4HR), George W. Edwards (W4OSE) and Robert J. Templin (W5OE).

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3Z40MOON SP9EVP GB100LB G3YMD [2] P3J 5B4AHJ
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7P8OK M0URX GM7V M0CMK SF2X SM5EFX
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C4W 5B4WN IE9T IN3ZNR UE1CDX RN1CW
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EW6GF DL8KAC OH0V OH6LI ZL3A ZL3WW
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No sunspot activity this week, and if no sunspot appears today, July 31, the average sunspot number for July will be 5.1, down from June's average of 6.6.

The monthly average of the daily sunspot number, January through July 2009, is 2.8, 2.5, 0.8, 1.3, 4, 6.6 and 5.1.

The three-month averages for October 2008 through June 2009 were 4.5, 4.4, 3.6, 2.2, 2, 1.5, 2, 4.2 and 5.2. This takes into account all the daily sunspot numbers for September 2008 through July 2009, and those numbers are for the center months of each of those three month moving average periods.

Last week's bulletin mentioned W5THT and his question about volcanic ash spewing from Sarychev Peak, and whether this could affect propagation if it were conductive. A note from Kaz Siwiak, KE4PT of Coral Springs, Florida pointed out, ''The ash need not be conductive, it just needs to have dielectric parameters different from air/vacuum, which it does. Yes definitely airborne ash will reflect radio waves.'' At http://www.qrz.com/ke4pt/ you can see a photo of his operating position, and click in the upper right corner of the page for an image of his simple antenna system. Beware of his ''Secret Ham Message''. I clicked on it, and soon found myself trying to solve the cipher instead of writing the bulletin.

Terry Rogers, WA4BVY of Chapel Hill, North Carolina says he is really enjoying this solar cycle bottom. He writes, ''A friend of mine just got back into ham radio bewailing he picked a poor time with no sunspots. Not so. I got into ham radio in 1958 right when 6 meters was open most days but I have never heard E skip every other day and all the way to 6 meters multi-hop (I heard N5OMG comment that night he got a JA7 on 6, and I heard him on 6). I don't even have a 6 meter antenna (80/40/20 inverted vees up 20'. I'm retired in an apartment) but I use the wire I have with good

results out past 1500 miles. 10M E skip comes down just one state away a lot of times.

I never was able to call CQ on 6 CW before and get several answers. I worked the first PSK31 ever for me on 6 the other night. Also, I came in here yesterday at 5:30 PM EDT about and found the strongest signal on 40 SSB which turned out to be EA7GAK, Javier, near the Strait of Gibraltar. Wow. Broad daylight 40M DX. 40M is the new 20M. The path was only half dark. Not only that, but I come in here in the evenings and talk SSB with Italy for 15 minutes or so using 100 watts. 5 watts PSK31 to Italy is easy on 40 with low QRN. So if this is how 160/80/40 F layer and 10/6 E layer are with no sunspots, the sun can keep its ole sun spots.''

Terry sent a recording of Javier's booming 40 meter signal, and he was indeed loud. On the recording EA7GAK mentioned he is running a kilowatt and a shortened 4-element monoband 40 meter Yagi one-half wavelength up the tower, which no doubt helps.

Tomas Hood, NW7US, who writes the monthly Propagation column for CQ Magazine, now offers a weekly podcast devoted to radio propagation. Go to http://podcast.hfradio.org/ to listen. He has produced two so far, for July 18 and 25, so the next one should be on Saturday, August 1.

World Radio magazine ceased publishing a hard copy of their monthly journal, but they are still publishing by posting PDF documents on the web. Best of all, Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA still writes his monthly propagation column for them.

Go to http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html and click on Back Issues in the left column. You can download the entire content of all 2009 issues by right-clicking on the link below each month, then saving to your drive. Carl's column is always in the higher numbered pages, so if you want to get to his column quickly, just download the last section only. Carl is very knowledgeable about propagation, and his articles are always interesting and informative. Also check out Carl's website at http://mysite.verizon.net/k9la/ to read more of his writing.

Seems that great sporadic-E propagation continues. Mike Schaffer, KA3JAW in Tampa, Florida was searching for television DX last Saturday, July 25, when he received HIJB in the Dominican Republic on channel 2 with fair video quality and moderate audio during the 1230z hour. At 1330z he received TGV on channel 3 from Guatemala, and at 1400z on channel 4 he received a station in Managua, Nicaragua. He notes that the previous weekend had poorer sporadic-E propagation.

Several days earlier, Wednesday, July 22 around 11:00 PM Central Time (0400z Thursday) Trent Fleming, N4DTF of Germantown, Tennessee (EM55) worked 14 stations in Northern Illinois, Minnesota and

Wisconsin on 6 meters. The grid squares were EN52, EN53, EN25, EN34 and EN62, and all signals were at least S7. First QSO was with KK9H, then a pileup ensued, and the last worked was KN0V. After signing with KN0V, the band dropped out completely.

Trent runs 50 watts into a horizontal loop at 25 feet.

Dale Drake, AA1QD of Dover, New Hampshire (FN43mf) noted in last week's bulletin the story about working JA7QVI on six meters, and said they worked each other on 6 meter CW on July 8 at 2304z. Dale said it was quite a thrill, and noted that JA7QVI is running stacked Yagis on six, eight over eight. Dale says, ''Overall the 6M E skip season here started out a bit slower and later than usual in May but it really picked up in June and July. I ended up working 12 new countries for me on 6 so far this season. Im now up to 86 worked in my quest for 6M DXCC.

Victor Androsov, VA2WDQ worked quite a bit of sporadic-E on 2 meters on Wednesday, July 29. He uses a 7 element Yagi that he designed, and it is on a 2 wavelength boom. He wrote, ''That was the biggest 2m Es I've ever heard since I've licensed as VA2WDQ in 2003. I found 144 MHz opened to W0 at around 18 EST (22 UTC). The first station I've worked at 18:13 EST was N0IRS from EM29 coming with strong and clear signal. The last one QSO with WR0F (EM29) logged at 19:48. Anyway I heard other stations I've worked before until 20:00. That was a great opening. Sometimes MUF dropped down and the 2m band got quiet. But after 10-15 minutes W0, W9, W5 jumped up from noise again''.

''That Es opening I worked 17 stations: N0IRS, KC0CFB, WB0NQD, W9RM, KA9CFD, K9AKS, N0PB, N0MST, W6ZI, KD5ZVE, K0CIY, N4LI, N0DIS, W5MRB, KM0T, K5OMC, and WR0F in these grid squares: EM25, EM26, EM27,EM29,EM39, EM44, EM55, EN10, EN13, EN22, EN40, EN41, and EN52''.

Larry Lambert, N0LL of Smith Center, Kansas had his own adventure on 2 meters on the same evening. He wrote, ''With all the sporadic E this summer this happen last evening July 29th at 2343z. K1WHS in Maine was worked on 2m for state number 48 on 2m. All states were non EME and non digital. My state number 47 was W1AIM in Vt. during the 1998 Leonids meteor shower, so number 48 has been 11 years in the coming. I've been on 2m weak signal for 33 years. W9GKA, Kevin, says I am number 13 to do all contiguous 48 states on 2 meters. One has to live in the Midwest to do it. My 2m signal was heard in Maine in July 17th 1980 and that is as close as it got till last evening. Long time to wait for another cloud to be in the correct location as this was near the theoretical 1500 mile limit for one hop of sporadic E on 2m. Also worked 7 others in New England. Was quite a thrill''.

For this weekend, the planetary A index is predicted at 7, which is slightly more active than it has been lately. A solar wind from a coronal hole would be the cause. We are hoping for a return of a

recent sunspot group, but only a weak sunspot was spotted from European observatories this morning.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts unsettled conditions July 31, quiet to unsettled August 1, quiet August 2-4, quiet to unsettled August 5, and unsettled August 6.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for July 23 through 29 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 67.8, 68.3, 69.1, 67.6, 68.4, 68.7, and 68.3 with a mean of 68.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 6, 7, 3, 4, 4 and 2 with a mean of 4.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 8, 5, 5, 1, 2, 3 and 2 with a mean of 3.7.
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10401. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10401

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Jul 31 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 212 Issued at 2200Z on 31 Jul 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 31/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The solar disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 31/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels. Solar wind
observations from the ACE spacecraft indicted the presence of a
coronal hole high speed stream. Velocities increased from around
340 km/s to 420 km/s, with +/- 5nT fluctuations in the IMF Bz.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels with a chance for
isolated active conditions for day one (01 August). Predominantly
quiet conditions are expected for days two and three (02-03 August).
III. Event Probabilities 01 Aug-03 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 31 Jul 069
Predicted 01 Aug-03 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 31 Jul 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Jul 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 31 Jul 005/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 01 Aug-03 Aug 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 01 Aug-03 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/05/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10402. Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-07-31 23:41:24 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10384 Message: 10402

John;

" but then when has the FCC made a good ruling in the past 15 years so?"

When they stopped wasting my tax dollars, and got those friggin listening stations outta my back yard! I had one less than 50 miles from me.....issued me a pick slip to me for "infringing on the extra portion of 40 meters"

I think big brother measured my less than 75 watts on 7.024

IMHO the government has better things to do!

Dale K8TS (in 8-land)

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 9:44:58 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Paul,

When I was first licensed, VE1 was used for Sable and St. Paul Island also, with no way of really knowing whether a VE1 was there or not unless they signed portable. In the US it became worse when the FCC let you choose a vanity call from any district, but then when has the FCC made a good ruling in the past 15 years or so?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 7/31/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Friday, July 31, 2009, 8:17 AM

At 10:07 AM 7/31/2009, you wrote:

>Don't forget:
>
>VP8-one of 5 different DXCC entities, including Anarctica
>E51-one of 2 different DXCC entities
>
>73s John AA5JG

This is a question for the Old Timers. Was call sign allocation ever "perfect?" I know we had none of this "take your call with you when you move" in Canada and the USA in the not to distant past, which helped us know where we were.

However, was there a time (in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, whenever) when you heard a VP8 or a KH6 or a VR6 and you could be absolutely sure where they were? As long as I've been around there have been a few anomalies that you had to ask (or know from a DX Bulletin.) For example, was there ever an ITU pattern for 3D2 calls?

I recall my first WAS KH6 on 80M was really loud and he turned out to be in Long Island . . . :-) I finally got a real one on Maui, but the guy on Long Island was so much easier to work!

73, Paul VE1DX

10403. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 00:29:54 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10384 Message: 10403

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But don't expect the 1x1's to go away any time soon. That's what a special call in the US or its territories looks like, even for a DXpedition.

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Dan

10404. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 00:55:39 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10384 Message: 10404

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10405. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 01:28:26 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10384 Message: 10405

Surly Paul.....you should know by now that the word "rationale" and "FCC" do not fit in the same sentence. hi hi

Dale K8TS

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 02:45:21 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10406

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Friday, July 31, 2009, 7:55 PM

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10407. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 03:08:44 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10384 Message: 10407

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The assignment of special calls is now handled by one of five Volunteer Examiner Coordinator organizations, not the FCC itself. I suppose they just didn't want to do any paperwork regarding these assignments anymore, and I suspect the FCC chose the 1x1's so there could be *no possible overlap* with official FCC callsign assignment, ever.

It sorta makes sense to me, in terms of streamlining the process.

But I do find it little annoying to have to use the internet or DX bulletin to know whether N8S is a new DXCC counter or the Ohio Sorghum Festival ;-)

Gonna be a hard one to get changed though... you'd have to write more stuff into Part 97 about how the KP1, etc were allowed for special callsigns but ONLY for allowed operations from those locations, etc.

Right now you can get any 1x1 for any operation from anywhere in the U.S., so there's not much that needs to be checked or verified by the VECs who administer it. Just that there's a valid license associated and a not-stupid-or-disallowed reason to request it. No one has to check that there's landing permission for KP1 or KH4.

73
Dan

10408. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 03:28:23 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10384 Message: 10408

At 11:45 PM 7/31/2009, you wrote:

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>Kingman Reef, Navassa, Desecheo and the like are out. Same for KH1, and KH4
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OK, John, I follow that logic. In fact, I recall reading that a few years ago somewhere in the famous Part 97 that is often quoted. Makes sense . . . if they need to contact a licensee they need an address where he or she can be reached.

I have in my hand a QSL card from AH3D - Johnston Atoll dated 2003-02-04 with operators OH2BH, OH2PM and W3UR. There would be no postal service there, unless FPO service was still being maintained when they (the military) were completing munitions disposal, etc. That is possible, I suppose. What I'm getting from this is that if the same OPs went back today they would be K3J or similar because the FPO is certainly gone now. In fact a few years ago Johnson Atoll was for sale. Might still be.

Looking at another card, AH1A, from 1993, I'm sure Howland Island never had mail service. Is that explained by a change in FCC rules?

Something is inconsistent because I have AH1A (1993), AH3D (2003) and KP2A/KP5 (1991) . . . this appears at first glance to be a mis-mash of "real" calls and "stroke" calls. Pacific and Atlantic handled differently?

I really don't see the any difference between AH1A (a call that indicates where the operation took place) and A1A (a call which indicates nothing to me.) Neither would have a mailing address and both would be temporary calls. Could AH1B or AH1C be issued today? What am I missing?

73, Paul VE1DX

10409. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 03:33:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10384 Message: 10409

At 12:08 AM 8/1/2009, you wrote:

> > I'm not a guru on US calls. I'm just curious what the rationale
> > is for removing all of these traditional prefixes. Seems to me KP1A
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>could be *no possible overlap* with official FCC callsign assignment, ever.

OK! That's the change I was looking for. The VECs handle it
and not the FCC. That probably was not the case 15-20 years ago, and
explains my perceived dilemma with the AH1A call, etc.

I knew there was an answer . . . the knowledge of the group
outweighs the knowledge of any single member. Thanks, Dan!

73, Paul VE1DX

10410. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 03:46:40 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10384 Message: 10410

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> 2003-02-04 with operators OH2BH, OH2PM and W3UR.

snip

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Well... here's the thing.

Martti still holds AH3D, mailing address Jackson, WY.

And here's the weirder thing.

Not a vanity call!

The "Radio Service" box on the FCC ULS website for AH3D lists "HA-Amateur," not "HV-Vanity."

AH3D is just Martti's US call! He's held it for a long time, at least since 1990.

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10411. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 03:58:28 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10384 Message: 10411

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So I Googled about for AH1A. That was once *also* a "regular" U.S. call, held by Luigi Attainese, now N2UR and I8ULL, KF1P before AH1A.

At the time, the AH1A mailing address was Framingham, MA.

I don't know where to find "old" FCC rules, but there must have been a loophole at some point in the 80's/90's before the vanity system but after the "self select" Extra calls of the late 60's early 70's... so we're getting to obscure stuff I don't know about either.

But Martti is still AH3D and I think N2UR coulda stayed AH1A if he'd wanted to.

73
Dan

10412. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 04:06:14 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10384 Message: 10412

There WAS a US Post Office on Johnston Island and that expedition was the LAST before the USAF closed the installation on that island (destroying various old war gasses). So AH3 was available then for Johnston Is.

The address for AH1A was in the W1 callarea. The EXPEDITION to Baker/Howland had the benefit of that callsign.

The FCC (no doubt to save money) STOPPED issuing callsigns except to a valid address and shifted the issue of 1x1 special event callsigns to a volunteer group of hams.

Enjoy it, it is not likely to change. The DXCC Desk will KNOW when a callsign was valid for some "entity" vice the yellow bird festival in podunk. It is EASIER to get the hams to issue a 1X1 callsign anyway.

WFWL!!!

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: n3oxdan
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10413. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 04:10:26 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10413

I had an old US callbook (remember those) that listed the mailing address for AH1A as

1 Seashore Drive
Canton Island

The FCC later determined that this wasn't a legitimate address (among other things, there is no US post office on Canton Island) so they terminated the callsign.

73s John AA5JG

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But Martti is still AH3D and I think N2UR coulda stayed AH1A if he'd wanted to.

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Dan

10414. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 05:27:12 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10414

--- On Fri, 7/31/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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< 2003-02-04 with operators OH2BH, OH2PM and W3UR. There would be no
< postal service there, unless FPO service was still being maintained
< when they (the military) were completing munitions disposal,
< etc. That is possible, I suppose. What I'm getting from this is
< that if the same OPs went back today they would be K3J or similar
< because the FPO is certainly gone now.

I think they could still use AH3D because that is a valid call. Once a call is issued, it doesn't matter whether there is still a post office there, as long as they had a valid address somewhere in the US, like on the mainland somewhere.

< Looking at another card, AH1A, from 1993, I'm sure Howland
< Island never had mail service. Is that explained by a change in FCC
< rules?

That was a problem and the FCC eventually cancelled that call.

< Something is inconsistent because I have AH1A (1993), AH3D
< (2003) and KP2A/KP5 (1991) . . . this appears at first glance to be a
< mis-mash of "real" calls and "stroke" calls. Pacific and Atlantic
< handled differently?

It is handled the same. I had WD8QGQ/KH7 from Kure back in 1982, as well as KH6IMX/KH4 from Midway in the same year. It just depends on whether you want to use your home call and sign portable, or whether you somehow received a call from that territory. I also have a KH7AA QSL which was the first call issued for Kure using the KH7 prefix. IT was issued to WD8QGQ (see above). KH7AA has since been reissued to a Hawaiian club.

< I really don't see the any difference between AH1A (a call that
< indicates where the operation took place) and A1A (a call which
< indicates nothing to me.)

A1A isn't a legal US call, but it is the best mode to use overall :)

< Could AH1B or AH1C be issued today?

No, and AH1A wasn't supposed to be issued. Unless they build a post office on Baker or Howland Island and have a legal Baker or Howland address(and I wouldn't hold my breath on this) an AH1, KH1, NH1, WH1 call can't be issued.

73s John AA5JG

10415. [425ENG] The Toplist of August

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 05:22:19 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 5556 Message: 10415

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPLIST
01/08/2009
NR CALL 10 12 15 17 20 30 40 80 160 SSB CW RTTY Tot Date

1 N4WW 335 329 338 335 337 334 337 334 304 338 337 336 3994 17/05/2008
2 OH2BU 334 329 338 337 338 336 337 333 294 338 337 333 3984 15/02/2009
3 OH3SR 334 333 338 337 338 334 337 333 283 338 337 335 3977 26/07/2009
4 W4DR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 335 310 338 337 308 3972 19/06/2008
5 HA0DU 330 330 338 335 338 333 335 330 300 338 337 325 3969 03/01/2009
6 OM3EY 333 330 338 336 337 331 337 332 295 338 337 319 3963 15/03/2009
7 SM0AJU 331 329 336 335 338 331 336 324 278 338 337 336 3949 24/02/2008
8 W7UT 333 327 337 334 338 332 336 327 281 338 337 326 3946 21/03/2009
9 W1JR 331 327 335 334 338 331 335 328 286 338 337 321 3941 19/06/2009
10 UA0MF 334 328 338 333 338 330 334 328 280 338 337 321 3939 29/04/2009
11 OM3PC 326 324 338 335 337 332 334 322 291 338 337 320 3934 24/03/2009
12 I4EAT 330 329 338 335 337 331 337 332 291 338 337 293 3928 29/04/2009
13 DJ2BW 327 325 337 336 338 331 337 310 274 338 337 336 3926 01/05/2008
14 ON7GB 328 330 337 337 338 335 335 314 272 338 337 323 3924 29/03/2009
15 HA8BE 326 325 336 330 336 330 327 322 291 336 336 319 3914 03/01/2008
16 OZ8ABE 328 327 337 337 337 336 333 318 282 338 337 302 3912 25/05/2009
17 N4CC 328 316 334 329 337 329 337 321 253 338 336 334 3892 22/03/2009
18 W3YX 330 326 335 335 337 333 334 321 227 338 337 336 3889 06/04/2009
19 G4BWP 327 320 336 332 338 327 335 307 263 337 337 329 3888 01/09/2008
20 LY2ZZ 313 314 338 331 338 329 334 321 282 338 336 309 3883 28/05/2009
21 EA6NB 322 317 335 331 337 329 337 311 257 338 337 329 3880 22/05/2009
22 W3UR 332 320 336 336 338 333 333 327 287 338 337 253 3870 01/01/2009
23 UA4HBW 328 314 336 329 338 322 329 302 270 338 337 325 3868 28/04/2009
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25 VA3DX 329 317 335 330 337 329 334 301 236 338 337 332 3855 22/02/2008

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10416. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 07:14:20 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10384 Message: 10416

I used to have CALLBOOKs back to 1948 when I first got interested. "USED TO" I don't know anything about a former AH1A on Canton, BUT in 1993 with AH1A was on Baker/Howland Island the license and callsign were for the W1 call area (with a valid postal address). I think the license was not renewed by the FCC since they decided "AH1" was not appropriate for the K/W/N New England area...or something.

Don't sweat the callsign, WFWL!

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 6:10 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

I had an old US callbook (remember those) that listed the mailing address for AH1A as

1 Seashore Drive
Canton Island

The FCC later determined that this wasn't a legitimate address (among other things, there is no US post office on Canton Island) so they terminated the callsign.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 7/31/09, n3oxdan <n3ox.dan@...> wrote:

From: n3oxdan <n3ox.dan@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups..com
Date: Friday, July 31, 2009, 10:58 PM

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But Martti is still AH3D and I think N2UR coulda stayed AH1A if he'd wanted to.

73
Dan

10417. Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 12:19:15 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10384 Message: 10417

Hmmm ... ?

Am I to understand from your example that you do not approve of incentives [set aside sub bands] for operators who have demonstrated higher skill and knowledge??

And if your example has an element of truth, am I to understand that you do not advocate enforcement?

Hmmm ... ?

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 7:41 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

John;

" but then when has the FCC made a good ruling in the past 15 years so?"

When they stopped wasting my tax dollars, and got those friggin listening stations outta my back yard! I had one less than 50 miles from me.....issued me a pick slip to me for "infringing on the extra portion of 40 meters"

I think big brother measured my less than 75 watts on 7.024

IMHO the government has better things to do!

Dale K8TS (in 8-land)

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 9:44:58 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Paul,

When I was first licensed, VE1 was used for Sable and St. Paul Island also, with no way of really knowing whether a VE1 was there or not unless they signed portable. In the US it became worse when the FCC let you choose a vanity call from any district, but then when has the FCC made a good ruling in the past 15 years or so?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 7/31/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Friday, July 31, 2009, 8:17 AM

At 10:07 AM 7/31/2009, you wrote:

>Don't forget:
>
>VP8-one of 5 different DXCC entities, including Anarctica
>E51-one of 2 different DXCC entities
>
>73s John AA5JG

This is a question for the Old Timers. Was call sign allocation ever "perfect?" I know we had none of this "take your call with you when you move" in Canada and the USA in the not to distant past, which helped us know where we were.

However, was there a time (in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, whenever) when you heard a VP8 or a KH6 or a VR6 and you could be absolutely sure where they were? As long as I've been around there have been a few anomalies that you had to ask (or know from a DX Bulletin.) For example, was there ever an ITU pattern for 3D2 calls?

I recall my first WAS KH6 on 80M was really loud and he turned out to be in Long Island . . . :-) I finally got a real one on Maui, but the guy on Long Island was so much easier to work!

73, Paul VE1DX

10418. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 12:21:12 UTC
From: Michael Keane K1MK
Topic: 10384 Message: 10418

Gino I8ULL/KF1P got AH1A issued for "1 Seashore Drive, Canton Island,
EQ" in 1983. In 1988 the mailing address was changed to a Framingham, MA
PO box. License cancelled by the FCC in 2001

Full story: <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/08/08/1/#FCC2>

73,
Mike K1MK

On 8/1/2009 3:14 AM, John Peters wrote:
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> *From:* John Geiger <mailto:aa5jg@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Friday, July 31, 2009 6:10 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
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10419. RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 13:00:12 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 10419 Message: 10419

What you're seeing Paul is the Law of Unintended Consequences at work.

For a time, after the present US Callsign structure was put into place in 1978, it was possible to obtain calls for some of the US possessions without actually living there. (And I'm not talking about the subterfuge that KH2D used to complain so bitterly about, regarding the KH2 and KH0 Extra Class calls). I can think of a few 2x1 calls issued under such circumstances -- although in one case, the amateur holding the call finally did actually use it from said location, but I digress.

Somewhere along the lines, for reasons I don't know, someone in the FCC decided that in order to issue a call to one of these possessions -- such as KH1, KP1, KP5, etc. -- said possession must have mail delivered to it by the US Postal Service, and thus, have a USPS address.

This first came to light, AFAIK, in 2001 when the FCC pulled the AH1A license (see http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/01/0810/). It also appears from the description of the cancellation that this policy may go as far back as 1993.

And for those who don't care for 1x1's being assigned to DXpeditions, it's noted in the same news story that the ARRL Board about this time voted to petition the FCC to modify the 1x1 rules so that 1x1's could be used for DXpeditions for these territories. Which they obviously now permit. Interesting.

In the ideal world, a petition to the FCC to revamp this part of the call system might be in order. Of course, you'd have to show why it's in the public (and the FCC's) interest, and I'm sure they'd also want to know how they could do it without spending a lot of money reprogramming their creaking database system [answer: Subcontract it to AE7Q!] and all that other fun stuff.

But knowing the FCC these days, if they didn't utterly ignore such a suggestion, they'd find some way to turn such a proposal against us, all while telling us that it's for our own good and how much we'll be better off...

73

-----Original Message-----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" list_dx@... ve1dx
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 5:57 PM ((PDT))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

At 09:29 PM 7/31/2009, you wrote:
> > Even worse, most DXpeditions to US territories CHOOSE NOT to use
> a special prefix telling where they are:
> >
> > K5K-Kingman Reef
>
>etc...
>
>They don't really have much of a choice, as I understand it. Note
>that those are all special callsigns in relatively recent years to
>US territories.
>
>The reason for this is that the ONLY special, temporary callsign you
>can get anymore, DXPedition or not, is a 1x1.
>
>You cannot be temporarily assigned KH8S or KH5DX... the only way to
>get the "right" prefix is to sign:
>
>homecall/prefix.
>
>That doesn't work so well for a big multi-multi DXpedition who wants
>to have "max rate" and not spend lots of superfluous time sending:
>
>N3OX/KH5K QRZ?
>
>Some DX groups have gone so far as to secure a permanent call in
>anticipation of an activation. I think that's why the American
>Samoa DX Group has KH8SI.
>
>But don't expect the 1x1's to go away any time soon. That's what a
>special call in the US or its territories looks like, even for a
DXpedition.
>
>73
>Dan

Dan,

Curious what about the KP1 and KP5 blocks, for example? (and
KH2, KH3, KH4, etc.?) If it is only possible to get things like K5D,
etc, are the historical call sign blocks associated with the above
prefixes being released for general use or being locked up for good?

I gather from your message that if a group went to Navassa, for
example, they could not get KP1A or KP1DX and would have something
like K1N or N1N. Is that correct? I thought the proliferation of
1X1 calls was simply because they could and they were shorter and
more efficient, not a significant FCC change like you are describing.

I'm not a guru on US calls. I'm just curious what the rationale
is for removing all of these traditional prefixes. Seems to me KP1A
could be just as easily assigned for 2 weeks to a DXpedition as K1N.

73, Paul VE1DX

10420. RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 13:20:08 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 10384 Message: 10420

Sorry Paul, I'm trying to get caught up on my mail, and I didn't see this one when I replied to the prior email!

The two cases you site are two of the ones I was referring to.

In the case of AH1A... the assignee of the call, I8ULL, had applied for a (sequential) call change from his (then) US call, KF1P. In 1982. And made up an address on Canton Island (not Baker or Howland), because there are no streets or street addresses on Canton. Compound this with his not filing a change of address until 1988, even though ownership of Canton wasn't transferred to Kiribati in 1982. And he never responded to the FCC's 2001 letter inquiring into the whole thing. Multiple "gotchas" in this one. I'd bet you apples to oranges that if Gino had changed his address shortly after the call was issued, he might have kept it. Ironic that it ended up being used on Baker, so many years after it was issued.

In the case of AH3D... well, that is Martti's US callsign. I don't know how he obtained it (I'm sure he did so legally, I don't wish to imply otherwise -- I just don't know the details). But at the time it was issued, Johnston Island was still occupied by the military, and was receiving mail service. As was the case through the demolition of the facility, when Martti, Bernie, and Pertti operated from there.

Hmmm. Johnston and Midway both at one time had valid USPS mailing addresses and, more importantly, ZIP codes. Do they still, or did the USPS cancel/reassign those ZIP codes? But I digress.

KP2A/KP5 simply did it the "old fashioned" way. Didn't apply for a "special" call, didn't create a fake club to get a club call that could be changed to a prefix-specific call for entity... simply added the portable designator to show where they were really operating from. Don't see a problem with that!

...oh yes. I wonder if the "for sale" government surplus posting for Johnston was actually serious or just someone's idea of a joke (or required for some legal reason). I don't believe the web site with that listing currently exists, although I did enjoy putting the information in my newsletter's DX page at the time. I understand, though, that there's nothing (and I mean nothing) left on the main island; even what's left of the road & runway are in ruins. No infrastructure, and a dump containing plutonium and other radioactive remnants on one end... and a sea wall that is just barely keeping the sea out of the dump. Not exactly a DX'ers dream trip, is it?

73

-----Original Message-----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" list_dx@... ve1dx
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 8:29 PM ((PDT))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

At 11:45 PM 7/31/2009, you wrote:

>Paul,
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>The FCC will only issue callsigns for a place with a post office, so
>Kingman Reef, Navassa, Desecheo and the like are out. Same for KH1, and
KH4
>
>73s John AA5JG

OK, John, I follow that logic. In fact, I recall reading that a few years ago somewhere in the famous Part 97 that is often quoted. Makes sense . . . if they need to contact a licensee they need an address where he or she can be reached.

I have in my hand a QSL card from AH3D - Johnston Atoll dated 2003-02-04 with operators OH2BH, OH2PM and W3UR. There would be no postal service there, unless FPO service was still being maintained when they (the military) were completing munitions disposal, etc. That is possible, I suppose. What I'm getting from this is that if the same OPs went back today they would be K3J or similar because the FPO is certainly gone now. In fact a few years ago Johnson Atoll was for sale. Might still be.

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10421. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 13:54:49 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10384 Message: 10421

I don't care what callsign a station uses, as long as:
(1) I know where they are; and
(2) I work them.

K5K, K7K, K3M, etc. ... I knew in advance through the announcements what these DXpeditions were. That's all I ask for.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Aug 1, 2009 at 2:14 AM, John Peters <petersj007@hawaii.rr.com>wrote:

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10422. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 14:42:44 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10384 Message: 10422

...forgot one, Zakkie:
(3) I receive their card

rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 01, 2009 6:54 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

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73, Zack W9SZ

10423. Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 18:27:27 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10384 Message: 10423

No Dave.....I believe we lost proper incentives and enforcement long ago. Riley Holenworth was the best thing that happened to amateur radio in a long time. I favor the old times.....when you had to know something to pass the tests.....lived up to a higher bar, so to speak.

At the time, it just *P---ed* me off that as a Novice, an had yet to learn that you need to be inside the band at least one kc. to safely operate within your privileges. A "pink slip" was ok.....but to have to "respond with in x amount of days........" or else.

With out getting into politics, I think the government has better ways to spend my money than to sit in a chair, with a staff to boot, well I think you know where I'm going with this..... If they have too enforce like that, I'd like to see some more action on the 11 mtr band where they have 50 foot towers, running a kw, or the lids that jam our repeaters and/or on the air activities.

No, I am all enforcment, or at least some.

Dale K8TS
----- Original Message -----
From: "Deacon Dave" <w1mce@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 1, 2009 8:19:15 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Hmmm ... ?

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 7:41 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

John;

" but then when has the FCC made a good ruling in the past 15 years so?"

When they stopped wasting my tax dollars, and got those friggin listening stations outta my back yard! I had one less than 50 miles from me.....issued me a pick slip to me for "infringing on the extra portion of 40 meters"

I think big brother measured my less than 75 watts on 7.024

IMHO the government has better things to do!

Dale K8TS (in 8-land)

  ----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 9:44:58 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Paul,

When I was first licensed, VE1 was used for Sable and St. Paul Island also, with no way of really knowing whether a VE1 was there or not unless they signed portable. In the US it became worse when the FCC let you choose a vanity call from any district, but then when has the FCC made a good ruling in the past 15 years or so?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 7/31/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Friday, July 31, 2009, 8:17 AM

At 10:07 AM 7/31/2009, you wrote:

>Don't forget:
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>VP8-one of 5 different DXCC entities, including Anarctica
>E51-one of 2 different DXCC entities
>
>73s John AA5JG

This is a question for the Old Timers. Was call sign allocation ever "perfect?" I know we had none of this "take your call with you when you move" in Canada and the USA in the not to distant past, which helped us know where we were.

However, was there a time (in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, whenever) when you heard a VP8 or a KH6 or a VR6 and you could be absolutely sure where they were? As long as I've been around there have been a few anomalies that you had to ask (or know from a DX Bulletin.) For example, was there ever an ITU pattern for 3D2 calls?

I recall my first WAS KH6 on 80M was really loud and he turned out to be in Long Island . . . :-) I finally got a real one on Maui, but the guy on Long Island was so much easier to work!

73, Paul VE1DX

10424. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-01 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10424

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 01 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 213 Issued at 2200Z on 01 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 31/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. A very weak A-level event
was seen in GOES x-rays around 0243Z which was associated with
brightening in a spotless plage region near S26E06. The solar disk
was otherwise void of activity and continues to be without sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 31/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (2-4 August).
III. Event Probabilities 02 Aug-04 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 Aug 068
Predicted 02 Aug-04 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 01 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 31 Jul 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 Aug 003/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 Aug-04 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 Aug-04 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10425. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #919

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-02 19:36:36 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10425 Message: 10425

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 26th-July, through Sunday, 2nd-August there were 205 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update). Jan, DJ8NK, informs OPDX this past week that "all is working to schedule, paperwork is done, flights are booked, boat (a catamaran) is chartered and hardware is in store." During the next few weeks the team will test all of their antennas by taking them to a beach resort by the salt water on the North Sea. Their Web page is now active at: http://www.conwayreef2009.de

3DA0, SWAZILAND (Just a Reminder). Operators David/GI4FUM, Tony/G4LDL, Malcolm/GM3TAL, Gerry/M0VAA, Michael/NC4MM and Yuri/UT5EL are now active as 3DA0DJ, 3DA0TB, 3DA0MH, 3DA0VA, 3DA0MM and 3DA0EL until August 11. The group will operate mainly from the Hawane Resort, but will also be active as 3DA0SS from the international scout camp near Manzini. Activity is expected on 160-10 meters using two stations. Over the past weekend there has been plenty of activity on 80/40/30/20/17 meters using mainly CW/SSB but some RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

4W, TIMOR-LESTE (Update). AL, CT1GPQ, will be active as 4W6AL from Timor Lorosae between August 7th and October 3rd. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters SSB, RTTY and preferably CW. His station setup will be an Icom IC-706 MK2g, a dipole for 40 and 30 meters and square loops for 20 and 17 meters. Pilot station and QSL Manager is Toze, CT1GFK. The pilot station will be in daily contact with CT1GPQ. Any questions or suggestions should be sent to: star@...
Activity logs will be online (possibly daily) on: http://algarvedx.com
All information will be sent first via the Algarve STAR DX Team Mailing List. Subscriptions are available on team's WEB site. PLEASE NOTE: This is "NOT A DXpedition"! CT1GPQ will be in Timor-Leste with a Medical Team and radio operations will take place only during his spare time.

5B/C4, CYPRUS. Andy, LZ2HM, will be active as 5B/LZ2HM between August 4-11th. Activity will be on the HF bands plus 6 meters and possibly VHF/UHF bands (KM64HV). QSL via info on QRZ.com. ADDED NOTE: Andy was also active during the WAEDC CW Contest this past weekend as C4I.

5H, TANZANIA. Pat, N2IEN, will be active as 5H2PD until August 8th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/15 meters using CW and SSB. Over the past weekend Pat was on 30 meters CW after 1600z. QSL via N2IEN.

7P, LESOTHO (Update). A team of five operators are now active from the "Trading Post Lodge" in Roma until August 13th. They have two stations on the air at all times with a third station to possibly be on for PSK and RTTY. Activity will be on all bands, but with a special effort on 160/80 meters. Operators are: Pista/HA5AO (7P8AO), Frosty/K5LBU (7P8CF), Laurent/W0MM (7P8MM), John/9M6XRO (7P8OK) and Ben/DJ0YI (7P8YI). QSL 7P8OK via M0URX, others via their home callsigns. For more details, please visit the Texas DX Society's Web site at: http://www.tdxs.net/7p8.html

A2,BOTSWANA. Operators Les/W2LPL and his son Dan/W2DBL will be active as A25/W2LPL from the Tuli Block in Mashatu, after their South African operation (see below), between August 16-19th. Activity will be mainly 20 meters using SSB and PSK31. They will use a FT-857 into an end feed antenna running 100 watts. QSL via W2LPL.

A3, TONGA. Paul, A35RK, informs OPDX that changes are (and will be) taking place in Tonga. He informs that he has recently made a visit to Nuku'alofa, the capital city, and during his stay there, Paul had a very productive meeting with the Radio Licensing Officer and the Technical Officer in the newly formed Department of Communications. In the past amateur radio issues have been managed by a variety of different government agencies: Tonga Telecom, Marine and Ports, the Post Office, the Treasury, and most

recently the Prime Minister's Office. Pauls states, "All that has changed, and we now have a 'one-stop-shop' for amateur radio licensing and regulation. Virtually all radio-related legislation is currently under review, and a number of changes will be coming soon. A brief summary of our discussion, and the outcomes, follows:
INFORMATION AVAILABILITY - The Department of Communications is building a website. They intend to make license application forms available online.

LICENSING PROCEDURES - Licensing procedures for visiting operators and yachts in transit will be simplified, especially for those entering the country somewhere other than Nuku'alofa (ie Vava'u). They may also make it possible to actually apply for a license online. However, they still want to 'see' an applicant before actually issuing a license.

ENTRY LEVEL LICENSE CLASS - A 'Novice' type of entry level license may be created, in order to encourage more activity. The formation of a club station and licensing classes (possibly thru the Tonga Maritime Training Institute) was discussed.

CALLSIGN ALLOCATION -
1) A35x (single letter suffix) callsigns may soon be issued to resident 'Advanced Class' licensees, and possibly to special event and contest operations.
2) A35xx (2 letter suffix) callsigns may be issued to entry level licensees.
3) A35xxx (3 letter suffix) callsigns may be issued to short-term visitors and transitting yachts.
4) The existing callsign registry will be 'purged' of all inactive callsigns, thus allowing for more new issues. An effort will be made to publish a list of 'current' licensees annually.

POWER LIMITS - Permitted output power will increase from the present 100 watts to 400 watts. This will bring Tonga up to the same level that is authorized in New Zealand and Australia.

ADDITIONAL 40 METER ALLOCATION - The current 40M allocation is 7.0-7.1 MHz. In addition, 7.1-7.2 MHz operation will be permitted on a secondary basis.

60 METER ALLOCATION - This was discussed, but no allocation will be considered until further studies and consultations are made, possibly next year.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Tonga now has a government Emergency Response Plan, and amateur radio participation is authorized in conjunction with the Tonga Defense Force, the Tonga Meteorological Service, the Ministry of Civil Aviation, and the Tonga Red Cross.

MONITORING and ENFORCEMENT - The government intends to more carefully monitor amateur and maritime communications in an effort to reduce 'boot-legging' and to insure compliance with regulations.

I'll keep you advised as things develop. Discussions continue, and I must say that the new Department of Communications is very open and cooperative. If anyone needs further information, they may contact: Fe'ao Vakata (That's pronounced "Fay AH oh Va ka TAH"), Radio Licensing Officer <fvakata@...>"

A3, TONGA. Ramon, XE1KK, is planning to be active from Tonga in October during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). His callsign will be announced later. He is expected to use 100 watts into some dipoles. QSLs are preferred via LoTW, but the Bureau is "OK".

AM5/AN5/AO5/EG5/EH5, SPAIN (Special Event). Look for the following special event callsigns to be active between August 8-23rd. Activity is to celebrate the "Formula One Grand Prix of Europe" in Valencia, Spain. The following special callsigns will be activated by the following operators:
AM5FUV - Juan/EC5BZR EG5FUV - Jose/EA5FL
AN5FUV - Vincent/EB5GGB EH5FUV - Nando/EA5GVZ
AO5FUV - Pepe/EA5UB
Activity will be mainly on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. A special award will be issued to those who make at least 3 QSOs with 3 different stations. QSL Manager is Jose, EA5FL; QSL direct or by the Bureau. For more information see QRZ.com.

GB111, ENGLAND (Special Event). Viv, G4PLY, will activate special event station GB111HP on the air during the month of August. This is a tribute to Harry Patch (GB90WWI) who sadly passed away on Saturday, July 25th, 5 weeks after celebrating his 111th birthday. He was the oldest surviving combatant living in the UK who fought in World War I. QSL via G4PLY, direct or by the Bureau. NO e-QSL or LoTW.

GB4, ENGLAND (Special Event). Look for special event station GB4WINGS to be active between now and August 8th. Activity will be on HF (SSB/Data with some CW) and 2m (SSB), mostly during the day and some evenings. The special event is during the "WINGS 2009" (Windsor INternational Guide and Scout camp, see <http://www.wings2009.org.uk> in Windsor Great Part, England. Some 6,000 Guides and Scouts from over 40 countries across the globe will be attending this 7 day event of fun, adventure and challenge. QSL via the bureau or direct to M0XDF (QRZ.com).

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Tony, IK1QBT, will once again be active as IG9X from Lampedusa Island (African Italy) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-29th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. He will concentrate on the lower bands prior to contest as IG9/IK1QBT. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

OC-130. Hans, DL5SDF, has returned to Mindanao (OC-130) and will be active again as DU9/DL5SDF until June 2010. His activity will be CW only, once all his antennas are installed (sometime in August). QSL via DL5SDF, by the DL bureau or direct to: Hans Bohnet, Purok 5, Lower Bon-Bon, Libertad, Butuan City 8600, Philippines. PLEASE NOTE: All bureau requests will have to wait until he returns.

J7, DOMINICA. Pierre, HB9CUA, is once again active as J79PAK from Nature Island (FK95ii) until August 6th. Activity has been mainly 6 meters using CW and SSB. There has been activity on 20/17/15 meters. QSL via home callsign.

JU85, MONGOLIA. Look for special event station JU85TTC to be on the air to celebrate the 85th anniversary of "Technique Technology College of Mongolia" between now and September 31st. Activity over the past weekend has been on 20 meters CW. QSL via JT1DN.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For July August 3-9th).....
Aug 3 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Aug 4 AN ---------------
Aug 5 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 6 AN-HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 7 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
Aug 8 AN ---------------------
Aug 9 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY/NEWS.....
Hector, CE3FZL, will be active as CE2P from Punta Panul Lighthouse (ARLHS-073) in the San Antonio Harbor, Chile, during the upcoming International Lighthouses/Lightships Weekend (ILLW), August 15-16th. Activity will be on 40 meters SSB. QSL CE2P via EA5KB (QRZ.com).

Members of the "Radio Club Uruguayo" will be using the special callsign CW1R from the Punta del Este Lighthouse (ARLHS URU-008, Grid Locator GF25ma) during the upcoming International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend between August 14-16th. Activity will be on 80-15 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will have at least two stations on the air. This will be the first activation of Punta del Este Lighthouse. QSLs for this activity are only DIRECT to: Radio Club Uruguayo, P.O.Box 37, 11000, Montevideo, URUGUAY, SOUTH AMERICA (w/SAE and 1 new IRC or 2 green stamps).

LAST MINUTE CHANGE. Operators Doug/KD8CAO and John/K8YSE activated "Big Red" Holland Harbor South Pierhead Lighthouse (USA 375), Michigan, instead of Grand Haven South Pierhead LH on August 2nd. QSL via K8YSE.

Members of the "Air Mobile Radio Operator Society" (ND3E) will activate Reedy Island (Not IOTA, USI DE-001, New Castle County, Delaware), plus Old Reedy Island lighthouse (ARLHS USA-568) between 1700z, August 7th and 1900z, August 8th. Activity will be on 80/40/20 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL by the Bureau or direct to AE3J with SASE.

Members of the "Valley of the Moon Amateur Radio Club" will be active as N6P from the Point Reyes lighthouse (ARLHS USA-636, WW Loc. CM87LX, Marin County, California) between August 7-9th. Bands/modes of activity were not provided. QSL via W6AJF: VOMARC, c/o K. McTaggart, 402 Fourth St. E, Sonoma, CA 95476. Visit their Web page at:

http://www.vomarc.org/index.html

Members of the "Grupo Mistongo DX Tandil" will activate the following lighthouses in the city of Puerto Quequen, Necochea, during the International Lighthouses/Lightships Weekend (ILLW), August 15-16th:
Baliza Pescador Posterior - ARLHS ARG-113
Baliza Espigon Este - ARLHS ARG-114
Other activity pending: Baliza Las Grutas - ARLHS ARG-115 (Rio Negro)

Three radio clubs in Argentina will activate the following lighthouses for the upcoming ILLW and the "Faros del Litoral Atantico Argentino 2009 Award". Look for the following between August 14-16th:
* GRUPO DX BAHIA BLANCA (GDXBB - LU3DXG):
- Recalada Lighthouse (ARLHS ARG-009) - LU5DRV/D and other
- El Rincon Lighthouse (ARLHS ARG-036) -LU4ETN/D and other
- Claromeco Lighthouse (ARLHS ARG-014) - LU4DBP/ and other
- Punta Conscriptos Lighthouse (ARLHS ARG-052) - LU1WJF/W and other
- Malecon Este Beacon (New one! ARLHS ARG reference number to be issuedd) - LU3DXG.
QSL all via: R.C. GDXBB, C. de Correo 709,8000 Bahia Blanca.
* GRUPO MISTONGO DX TANDIL (GMDXT - LU2EE):
- Pescador Posterior Beacon (ARLHS ARG-113) - New one!
- Espigon Este Beacon (ARLHS ARG-114) - New one!
QSL all via: GMDXT, C. de Correo 184, 7000 Tandil.
* AVELLANEDA RADIO CLUB (LU7EO)
- Punta Medanos Lighthouse (ARLHS ARG-008) - LU7EO.
- KM. 0.900 Beacon (ARLHS ARG-110) - LU9DPD/D.
QSL all via: Avellaneda Radio Club, C. de Correo 41, 1870 Avellaneda (BA).

Helmich, PA0HEL, will be active as TM0LHG from the Gravelines Lighthouse (ARLHS FRA-751, ILLW FR-0002) at Petit Fort Philippe during the ILLW (August 15-16th). QSL direct or by the VERON Bureau only (Not the French Bureau).

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (IOTA Op). Hans, SM6CVX, is expected to continue his IOTA hopping in Papua New Guinea (this time solo) during the month of November. He is going to activate three IOTAs this time. Activity will probably be mainly CW using the callsign P29VCX. QSL via SM6CVX.
His current schedule is as follows:
November 11-13th - Hastings Island (OC-117)
November 13-14th - Normanby Island (OC-116)
November 15-16th - Loloata Island (OC-240)
Look for more details and updates on the following Web page at:
http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009

PZ, SURINAME (Update). Mike, AJ9C, will be active as PZ5M between October 22-29th. He is expected to be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, as well as an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL to his home callsign with SASE/USD(s) for return postage.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSLS VIA LOTW: A7/M0FGA

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2YA, 3DA0ZO, 3XM6JR, 4U1UN, 5T5DC, A7/M0FGA, AT9RS, E44M, EX8MLE, EZ8AQ, HZ1FS/p, K5D, LU7YS, OJ1ABOA, R1FJT, S92LX, T47C, TF3CW, V63TO, VP5/K5CM, ZF2XP and ZY0F

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE reported this week!

SPECIAL GEOPARK AWARD AVAILABLE (Update/Be The First!). Martin, G3VOF/ GB6GEO, reports: For amateur radio stations/SWLs around the world who contact/hear Geopark stations, the English Riviera Geopark is offering a special commemorative European Geoparks Network radio amateur certificate for contacts with GB6GEO (instant qualifier), or two Geopark stations excluding GB6GEO. (This award will also apply to SWLs on a heard basis). This certificate is endorsed by our Queens husband H.R.H The Duke of Edinburgh with his own words congratulating the holder. Certificates will cost 2.20 UK(pounds) each, 3 Euro's and rest of the world 5 USDs. Alternatively certificate holders to be the first in their country to claim the certificate will have an 'FC' suffix following the certificate number. This denotes the first person in their country to claim the 'Geoparks' award. These certificate holders will be worth one point towards the basic certificate, and two holders are required to claim the award, or work any five (5) non first country certificate holders to claim it. Certificate Manager is Martin Foster, G3VOF. QSL direct via the address on QRZ.com. Only log details are necessary. Also see QRZ.com for more details and the latest updates. Only log details are necessary. First country holders so far include, G4FCN, ON4CAS, K7IWH, 2E0WAI, S53EO, IW2CAM, GW4BKG, and DL3FJK. (You will need only two of these callsigns worked/heard to claim the award) Other callsigns include M6PHD, G7URW, G6CLD, 2E0TAD, G3LQX, M0XLT, G3LHJ, G3PVB, G1FON, G4VUD, 2E0PDL, G7JHE, G3BIT, M1AEI, G3GHS, G0KEK, G3SNU, 2E0JWJ, DJ6WX, 2E0TAG, 2E0GHR, G4VFG, G3SVK, G3JSR, G4VTO, G3NJA/A, 2E0TQR, and M0HEM. (Any five of these callsigns worked/heard will enable you to claim the certificate) Many of these certificate holders can be found on the Torbay Amateur Radio Society LF/HF/VHF nets, details from the Web site: http://www.tars.org.uk To see a picture of the special Geopark certificate, go to: http://www.globalgeopark.org/publish/portal1/tab80/info4187.htm

SX2, GREECE. Pista, HA8UT, and his family are currently on a summer holiday in Neo Potidea (KN10qe) on the Kassandra Peninsula until August 4th. They are using the callsign SX2Z. The family consists of: Pista/ HA8UT (aka HA8Z and HG8Z), Erzsi/HA8TU (XYL), Eliz/HA8TT (the younger daughter of Pista), Andrea/HG8SS (the older daughter of Pista) and her husband Dezso/HA8SS. Their rig is an IC-706 MK2G, and they will be using a vertical and dipole antennas. Activity will be on 40-10 meters plus 6m on CW and SSB. QSL via HA8UT, by the HA Bureau or direct (QRZ.com address).

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Steve, W7VOA, will be in Kabul for national election news reporting between August 8-22nd, and will be active as T6AD when time permits. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters CW (and maybe PSK) using 100 watts and a G5RV antenna. QSL via K2AU.

TK, CORSICA (Update). Laurent, F8BBL, is on holiday on the main island of Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) between now and August 15th. His QTH will be located in the Valinco Gulf, near the city of Olmeto (Department South Corsica/2A, WW Loc. Loc JN41KQ). His activity will be QRP using a FT-817 and a new MP1 antenna. He is signing TK8B. Activity is on the HF bands, mainly CW, but some SSB during his spare time. His other possibly activities (weather and sea permitting) will be:
August 6th - Activity from the Lavezzi Islands (EU-164, DIFM TK-011, Loc JN41OI) starting around 0900z.
August 8th - Laurent will climb the summit Punta di Buturetu (SOTA TK/TK112, 870m ASL, WW Loc. JN41KR) and expects to be on the air around 1000z.
August 11th - Activity from the Sanguinaires Islands (EU-104, DIFM TK-002, Loc JN41HV) starting around 0900z.

Suggested frequencies are: 7032 kHz/CW, 7096 kHz/SSB and 10118 kHz/CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the REF-Union Bureau only or by the LoTW. Visit his web page at: http://rnb.dx-cw.net

TM9, FRANCE (Special Event). The 31st Clipperton DX Club Convention will be held in Strasbourg, France, between September 18-19th. Look for special event station TM9CDX to be on the air between September 5-19th. Operators mentioned are: Gerard/F2VX, Thierry/F4TTR, Laurent/F5AEG, Rafik/F5CQ, Flo/F5CWU, Alain/F5LMJ, Maurice/F5NQL, John "Gun"/F5VHQ, Serge/F6AML, Maurice/F5NQL, Laurent/F1JKJ, David/F8CRS and Laurent/F8BBL. Activity will be on all HF, VHF and UHF bands using CW/SSB/FM/Digital modes. QSL via F5CWU, direct (SAE + postage) or by the French REF-Union Bureau (please only this bureau.). PLEASE NOTE: Number designator will now change every year and represent the year of the convention (ex. 2010 will be TM0CDX, 2011 TM1CDX, etc...)

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLANDS (Op QRT!). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) are now QRT as VK9NI as of 2110z, July 28th. According to their Web page, the HARAOA Group made 11199 QSOs with 5397 unique callsigns. A complete breakdown of QSOs can be seen at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=VK9NI#r
PLEASE NOTE: QSL via VK3HR (NOT W3HNK as first announced). More details and updates are available at: http://www.vk9ni.com
Also on Twitter at: http://twitter.com/VK9NI

WFF ACTIVITY. Plamen, LZ3FM, plans to activate the Biosphere Reserve Kamchia (LZFF-011) during his holiday between August 10-20th. Callsign to be used will be either LZ01WFF/2 or LZ3FM/2. Equipment will be IC-746 plus a 4-band GP and dipole antennas. Activity will be on HF + 6m, mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via LZ1PJ, direct or by the Bureau. E-mail requests for Bureau cards are accepted (via lz1pj@...). Write QSO details and callsign worked, since Ivan, LZ1PJ, manages other callsigns too. PLEASE NOTE: LZ01WFF is used for activation for other WFF references by other operators. Ivan, LZ1PJ, will manage this activation only. For other activations listen to operator's instructions.

ZS6, SOUTH AFRICA. Operators Les/W2LPL and his son Dan/W2DBL will
be active as ZS6/W2LPL between August 11-15th. Activity will be mainly
20 meters using SSB and PSK31. They will use a FT-857 into an end feed
antenna running 100 watts. QSL via W2LPL.

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10426. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-02 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10426

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 02 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 214 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on days one and two (03 - 04 August). By day
three (05 August), the field is expected to be quiet to unsettled
due to a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream that is expected
to rotate into a geoeffective position.
III. Event Probabilities 03 Aug-05 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Aug 068
Predicted 03 Aug-05 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 02 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 Aug 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Aug 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Aug-05 Aug 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Aug-05 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/20
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10427. Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 11:44:19 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10384 Message: 10427

Like you, I favor the old times also. - - -
The USA government really has no desire to enforce, no desire to be involved in licensing, and has delegated their ITU responsibilities with regard to Amateur Radio to an NGO, aka, The ARRL.

To paraphrase and misapply a biblical teaching ... " By their fruits you shall know them." We hear the "fruits" on 75 [outrageous language] and 20 [frequency dictator].

Pink slips used to mean Big Brother is Listening!

Today Big Brother doesn't care, isn't funded by the USA Congress to care, isn't equipped by the USA Congress to care, and isn't staffed by the USA Congress, appropriations [$$$$] for Amateur Enforcement.

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 01, 2009 2:27 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

No Dave......I believe we lost proper incentives and enforcement long ago. Riley Holenworth was the best thing that happened to amateur radio in a long time. I favor the old times.....when you had to know something to pass the tests......lived up to a higher bar, so to speak.
Recent Activity
a.. 1New Members
Visit Your Group
Give Back
Yahoo! for Good

Get inspired

by a good cause.

Y! Toolbar
Get it Free!

easy 1-click access

to your groups.

Yahoo! Groups
Start a group

in 3 easy steps.

Connect with others.
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10428. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 14:01:58 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10384 Message: 10428

The FCC will not issue KP1A or KP1DX except to "valid" addresses on/in the territory. Since there are likely to never be any valid mailing addresses for Navassa, Desecheo and the like, you're either going to have to sign portable (longer call) or use a "special" call like K5D, K4M, etc.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
>
> At 09:29 PM 7/31/2009, you wrote:
> > > Even worse, most DXpeditions to US territories CHOOSE NOT to use
> > a special prefix telling where they are:
> > >
> > > K5K-Kingman Reef
> > >
> >etc...
> >
> >They don't really have much of a choice, as I understand it. Note
> >that those are all special callsigns in relatively recent years to
> >US territories.
> >
> >The reason for this is that the ONLY special, temporary callsign you
> >can get anymore, DXPedition or not, is a 1x1.
> >
> >You cannot be temporarily assigned KH8S or KH5DX... the only way to
> >get the "right" prefix is to sign:
> >
> >homecall/prefix.
> >
> >That doesn't work so well for a big multi-multi DXpedition who wants
> >to have "max rate" and not spend lots of superfluous time sending:
> >
> >N3OX/KH5K QRZ?
> >
> >Some DX groups have gone so far as to secure a permanent call in
> >anticipation of an activation. I think that's why the American
> >Samoa DX Group has KH8SI.
> >
> >But don't expect the 1x1's to go away any time soon. That's what a
> >special call in the US or its territories looks like, even for a DXpedition.
> >
> >73
> >Dan
>
> Dan,

>
> Curious what about the KP1 and KP5 blocks, for example? (and
> KH2, KH3, KH4, etc.?) If it is only possible to get things like K5D,
> etc, are the historical call sign blocks associated with the above
> prefixes being released for general use or being locked up for good?
>
> I gather from your message that if a group went to Navassa, for
> example, they could not get KP1A or KP1DX and would have something
> like K1N or N1N. Is that correct? I thought the proliferation of
> 1X1 calls was simply because they could and they were shorter and
> more efficient, not a significant FCC change like you are describing.
>
> I'm not a guru on US calls. I'm just curious what the rationale
> is for removing all of these traditional prefixes. Seems to me KP1A
> could be just as easily assigned for 2 weeks to a DXpedition as K1N.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

10429. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 14:17:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10384 Message: 10429

At 11:01 AM 8/3/2009, you wrote:
>The FCC will not issue KP1A or KP1DX except to "valid" addresses
>on/in the territory. Since there are likely to never be any valid
>mailing addresses for Navassa, Desecheo and the like, you're either
>going to have to sign portable (longer call) or use a "special" call
>like K5D, K4M, etc.
>
>Art - N4PJ

Well, I understand the reason, Art, and given that, you should
be able to get WH4A if you wanted for use in your Florida QTH. There
are thousands of 2X1 "territorial" calls tied up in limbo that, as
you say, will likely never be issued due to no mailing address.

I guess we beat this to death! It's a FCC issue, and I'm only
interested as a DXer. From that standpoint, I'd really like the QSL
to have KP5 something printed on it as opposed to K5D. It seems
illogical to work a station in KP5 when no KP5 calls are allowed! :-)

However, as Zack pointed out, as DXers we really shouldn't care
what they sign as long as they go there and the DXCC desk accepts
it. That's why we are DXers . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

10430. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 14:47:01 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10384 Message: 10430

Maybe we could send all the materials for a park ranger to memorize, and pass a VEC exam some time while he is Florida. KP5 rocks!!

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2009 10:17:28 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

At 11:01 AM 8/3/2009, you wrote:
>The FCC will not issue KP1A or KP1DX except to "valid" addresses
>on/in the territory. Since there are likely to never be any valid
>mailing addresses for Navassa, Desecheo and the like, you're either
>going to have to sign portable (longer call) or use a "special" call
>like K5D, K4M, etc.
>
>Art - N4PJ

Well, I understand the reason, Art, and given that, you should
be able to get WH4A if you wanted for use in your Florida QTH. There
are thousands of 2X1 "territorial" calls tied up in limbo that, as
you say, will likely never be issued due to no mailing address.

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interested as a DXer. From that standpoint, I'd really like the QSL
to have KP5 something printed on it as opposed to K5D. It seems
illogical to work a station in KP5 when no KP5 calls are allowed! :-)

However, as Zack pointed out, as DXers we really shouldn't care
what they sign as long as they go there and the DXCC desk accepts
it. That's why we are DXers . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

10431. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 15:22:29 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10431

What should that take-like 5 minutes?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 8/3/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@comcast.net>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 3, 2009, 9:47 AM

Maybe we could send all the materials for a park ranger to memorize, and pass a VEC exam some time while he is Florida. KP5 rocks!!
Dale K8TS

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@ve1dx. net>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2009 10:17:28 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

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>mailing addresses for Navassa, Desecheo and the like, you're either
>going to have to sign portable (longer call) or use a "special" call
>like K5D, K4M, etc.
>
>Art - N4PJ

Well, I understand the reason, Art, and given that, you should
be able to get WH4A if you wanted for use in your Florida QTH. There
are thousands of 2X1 "territorial" calls tied up in limbo that, as
you say, will likely never be issued due to no mailing address.

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interested as a DXer. From that standpoint, I'd really like the QSL
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illogical to work a station in KP5 when no KP5 calls are allowed! :-)

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what they sign as long as they go there and the DXCC desk accepts
it. That's why we are DXers . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

10432. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 15:58:38 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10384 Message: 10432

John;

 .....Well they watched us and there is no code........what else do they need to know?

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2009 11:22:29 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

What should that take-like 5 minutes?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 8/3/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 3, 2009, 9:47 AM

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To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2009 10:17:28 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

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>going to have to sign portable (longer call) or use a "special" call
>like K5D, K4M, etc.
>
>Art - N4PJ

Well, I understand the reason, Art, and given that, you should
be able to get WH4A if you wanted for use in your Florida QTH. There
are thousands of 2X1 "territorial" calls tied up in limbo that, as
you say, will likely never be issued due to no mailing address.

I guess we beat this to death! It's a FCC issue, and I'm only interested as a DXer. From that standpoint, I'd really like the QSL to have KP5 something printed on it as opposed to K5D. It seems illogical to work a station in KP5 when no KP5 calls are allowed! :-)

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73, Paul VE1DX

10433. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 19:26:59 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10433

--- On Mon, 8/3/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

< However, as Zack pointed out, as DXers we really shouldn't care
< what they sign as long as they go there and the DXCC desk accepts
< it. That's why we are DXers . . .

As someone who chases prefixes, and is on the CW WPX Honor Roll, I do like to get new prefixes. Luckily I already have KP1 and KP5 confirmed from 6Y5NR/KP1, MF6S/KP1 and KP2A/KP5. Also have Kingman Reef covered from KH6ND/KH5 when he was on Palmyra Is. and Kure since they started issuing KH7 calls for Hawaii.

Still, It would be nice to get a NP1 or WP5 out of some of these DXpeditions instead of just a K1 or K5 prefix.

It doesn't seem to make a lot of sense to say that KP1 is reserved for Navassa Island calls, but then not to issue any calls for it. Of course, when is the last time the FCC did make any sense...

73s John AA5JG

10434. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 22:11:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10434

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 03 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 215 Issued at 2200Z on 03 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 02/2100Z
to 03/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 02/2100Z to 03/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled with one isolated active
period observed at middle latitudes between 03/0600 - 0900Z. An
extended period of southward IMF Bz (-5 to -6 nT) was observed
between 02/2000Z - 03/1000Z that contributed to the unsettled to
active conditions.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on day one of the forecast period (04 August).
On days two and three (05 - 06 August), field conditions are
expected to be mostly quiet to unsettled as a recurrent coronal hole
high speed stream will become geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 04 Aug-06 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 03 Aug 067
Predicted 04 Aug-06 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 03 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 02 Aug 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 03 Aug 010/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 04 Aug-06 Aug 005/005-007/007-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 04 Aug-06 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/20/20
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10435. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 23:00:22 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10384 Message: 10435

And we get another Extra who asks the antenna group: " How long is a 1/2 wavelength on 20 meters?"

With it's faults, which we acknowledge exist, I'll vote for the devil I know rather than the devil I don't.

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 03, 2009 11:22 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

What should that take-like 5 minutes?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 8/3/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@comcast.net> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 3, 2009, 9:47 AM

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Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@ve1dx. net>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2009 10:17:28 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

At 11:01 AM 8/3/2009, you wrote:
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>on/in the territory. Since there are likely to never be any valid
>mailing addresses for Navassa, Desecheo and the like, you're either
>going to have to sign portable (longer call) or use a "special" call
>like K5D, K4M, etc.
>
>Art - N4PJ

Well, I understand the reason, Art, and given that, you should
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you say, will likely never be issued due to no mailing address.

I guess we beat this to death! It's a FCC issue, and I'm only interested as a DXer. From that standpoint, I'd really like the QSL to have KP5 something printed on it as opposed to K5D. It seems illogical to work a station in KP5 when no KP5 calls are allowed! :-)

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73, Paul VE1DX

10436. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 23:43:05 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10384 Message: 10436

DD, you still haven't responded to my query of how long is a ½ wavelength on 20 metres? My next question would be, is the ½ wave length twice as long for long path once someone tells me which way is long path?
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 03, 2009 4:00 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

And we get another Extra who asks the antenna group: " How long is a 1/2 wavelength on 20 meters?"

With it's faults, which we acknowledge exist, I'll vote for the devil I know rather than the devil I don't.

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 03, 2009 11:22 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

What should that take-like 5 minutes?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 8/3/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 3, 2009, 9:47 AM

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Dale K8TS

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@ve1dx. net>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

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>Art - N4PJ

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73, Paul VE1DX

10437. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-03 23:51:30 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10384 Message: 10437

At 04:43 PM 8/3/2009, someonewrote:
>My next question would be, is the ½ wave length
>twice as long for long path once someone tells me which way is long path?

A quarter-wavelength would be better on short
path. That's why they call it short.

;p

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10438. DX IS!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 00:40:09 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 1559 Message: 10438

Just finished working FK8GN on 20M SP on PSK-31 BPSK with 30W....

on the 30th of July at 1330 UTC I worked HS0ZBS in a similar fashion....

73 ES DX,

Gary - AB9M

10439. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 01:09:46 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10439

Long path is the return route most of my direct DX QSLs seem to take.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 8/3/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 3, 2009, 6:51 PM

At 04:43 PM 8/3/2009, someonewrote:
>My next question would be, is the ½ wave length
>twice as long for long path once someone tells me which way is long path?

A quarter-wavelength would be better on short
path. That's why they call it short.

;p

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10440. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 04:18:31 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10384 Message: 10440

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10441. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 05:30:14 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10384 Message: 10441

If the "shortest path" is through the earth be sure to ground your antenna.

John
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From: Dick Flanagan
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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10442. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 05:43:07 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10442

I once received a UA0 QSL in 6 months via Box 88. Must have been a world record!

73s John AA5JG

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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 3, 2009, 11:18 PM

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10443. C21TI LAST NEWS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 11:59:28 UTC
From: ARMIC EA3RKR ONCE
Topic: 10443 Message: 10443

Dani reports from China, where this work, which is already being prepared and all the way, already has all the material, then return to Malaysia for only a few hours, Sydney-Nadi-Suva, to be in a regional meeting Disaster in the Pacific. At the conclusion of that meeting, he returned to Brisbane and then to Nauru and Solomon.

Finally solved the issue of the amplifier, which broke down in Malaysia for some tests, thanks to UT2XD friend has finally been replaced item amplifier.

Is expected to be operational in DX Expedition dates announced, the information is available at QRZ.COM the indicative is used is the C21TI.

Remember that you can still make donations to defray the huge cost of the expedition.

A greeting and thanks to all who have and are collaborating on the project.

Remember that the ship will also be active on 50 Mhz.

EA3RKR Team

Please disseminate the information, the data in QRZ, TNX
ARMIC ONCE - EA3RKR
EDIFICIO ONCE CATALUÑA
C/ SEPULVEDA, 1
08015 BARCELONA

10444. BOX 88

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 12:58:58 UTC
From: k0bx@arrl.net
Topic: 1194 Message: 10444

Box 88 is still alive and well.

Lookup K2VV (K2 v v) on QRZ. His address is Box 88 Moscow Mills, MO!

Joe K0BX

Stop the insanity!

Please do not add me to any distribution lists (Joke, Stories or Junk) without my permission.

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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 3, 2009, 9:18 PM

#yiv1583179091 .ygrp-photo-title {
TEXT-ALIGN:center;WIDTH:75px;HEIGHT:15px;CLEAR:both;FONT-SIZE:smaller;OVERFLOW:hidden;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.ygrp-photo {
BORDER-BOTTOM:black 1px solid;BORDER-LEFT:black 1px solid;BACKGROUND-COLOR:white;WIDTH:62p
x;BACKGROUND-REPEAT:no-repeat;BACKGROUND-POSITION:center 50%;HEIGHT:62px;BORDER-TOP:black
1px solid;BORDER-RIGHT:black 1px solid;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.photo-title A {
TEXT-DECORATION:none;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.photo-title A:active {
TEXT-DECORATION:none;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.photo-title A:hover {
TEXT-DECORATION:none;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.photo-title A:visited {
TEXT-DECORATION:none;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.attach-table DIV.attach-row {
CLEAR:both;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.attach-table DIV.attach-row DIV {
FLOAT:left;}
#yiv1583179091 P {
PADDING-BOTTOM:3px;PADDING-LEFT:0px;PADDING-RIGHT:0px;CLEAR:both;OVERFLOW:hidden;PADDING-T
OP:15px;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.ygrp-file {
WIDTH:30px;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.attach-table DIV.attach-row DIV DIV A {
TEXT-DECORATION:none;}
#yiv1583179091 DIV.attach-table DIV.attach-row DIV DIV SPAN {
FONT-WEIGHT:normal;}
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10445. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-04 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10445

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 04 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 216 Issued at 2200Z on 04 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 03/2100Z
to 04/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 03/2100Z to 04/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet to unsettled with a slight chance for
isolated active periods on days one and two of the forecast period
(05 - 06 August) as a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream
becomes geoeffective. Day three (07 August) is expected to be
quiet.
III. Event Probabilities 05 Aug-07 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 Aug 066
Predicted 05 Aug-07 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 04 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 Aug 007/010
Estimated Afr/Ap 04 Aug 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 05 Aug-07 Aug 007/007-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 05 Aug-07 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/20/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10446. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-05 02:02:59 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10384 Message: 10446

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Dale K8TS

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From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
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10447. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-05 03:22:12 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10384 Message: 10447

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A benefit (perhaps the only one) of the Soviet Union was free QSL service for hams via BOX 88 the Radio Klub in Moskva.

73 John K1ER
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From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@...m
Sent: Tuesday, August 04, 2009 4:02 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

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10448. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-05 11:32:53 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10384 Message: 10448

Remember too, in the old days, you not only had to wait on Box 88 in Moscow, but, at times, the printing of the QSL cards was heavily delayed. Apparently not just anyone was allowed to print non-Cyrllic cards. If the two or three printers who were responsible for them got backed up...

Art - N4PJ

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> dick@...
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10449. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-05 13:35:53 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10384 Message: 10449

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Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

From: John Peters
Sent: Tuesday, August 04, 2009 10:22 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

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10450. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-05 13:44:53 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10384 Message: 10450

And Romeo was probably just operating from "near the Soviet Union"

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 8/5/09, CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M <glhuber@...m> wrote:

From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M <glhuber@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, August 5, 2009, 8:35 AM

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10451. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-05 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10451

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10452. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-06 14:20:55 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 10384 Message: 10452

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I had a similar experience along about 1983. I joined the US Air Force and as soon as I arrived at my duty station and rented a house I put up a trap dipole. Eastern Europe was in on 20 almost every night and I worked SO many of those guys. Places I had never heard of became common place. Sofia was exceptionally strong, both the hams and the SW broadcasts.

After about 6 months of this I happened to tell my boss about it and he told me I had to go to OSI and report them all so that evening I gathered all my logs. The next day I showed up at the OSI office and explained why I was there, and they interviewed me for about an hour and I went back to work.

After the THIRD time I did this they politely asked me not to come back! I guess 300-500 contacts per interview was a bit of a strain! Ha!

7 3
Earl
KD5XB

10453. ARLD031 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-06 21:19:23 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5512 Message: 10453

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ARLD031 DX news

ZCZC AE31
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 31 ARLD031
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT August 6, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD031 DX news

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AGALEGA AND ST. BRANDON ISLANDS, 3B6. Rachid, 3B8FQ will be QRV as 3B7FQ from St. Brandon, IOTA AF-015, and be here until August 30. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via K5XK.

AZERBAIJAN, 4J. Gerard, 4J/F2VX and Yannick, 4J/F6FYD will be QRV from August 11 to 29. Activity will be mostly on the HF band using SSB. QSL to home calls.

TIMOR-LESTE, 4W. Al, CT1GPQ is QRV as 4W6AL until October 3. Activity is on 40 to 17 meters using mostly CW but with some SSB and RTTY as well. QSL via CT1GFK.

CYPRUS, 5B. 5B/LZ2HM is QRV until August 11. This includes being active as C4I in the Worked All Europe DX CW contest. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters. QSL both calls to home call.

MOROCCO, CN. Richardo, EA5UM is QRV as CN2UM from Ouazzane until August 23. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

HUNGARY, HA. Special event station HG8NAVIGA is QRV until the end of 2009 to promote the 2009 FSR Radio Controlled Powerboat European Championship taking place in Oroshaza. Activity is on 80 to 2 meters, including 70 cm., using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau.

SARDINIA, IS0. Fabrizio, is QRV until August 12. Activity is on 40, 30 and 20 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Makoto, JI5RPT and Yoshihi, JO1LVZ will be QRV as JD1BLY and JD1BNF, respectively, from Chichijima, IOTA AS-031, from

August 9 to 15. Activity will be on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes, and 2 meter EME and satellites. QSL to home calls.

MONGOLIA, JT. Special event station JU85TTC is QRV until September 30 in celebration of the Technique Technology College of Mongolia's 85th anniversary. QSL via JT1DN.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Alexander, OH0/DL4NO will be QRV from Finstoem from August 10 to 21. Activity is on 40, 30 and 20 meters using CW near the usual QRP frequencies. QSL to home call.

FAROE ISLANDS, OY. Janusz, OY/SP6IXF and Mek, OY/SP7VC plan to be QRV from August 10 to 16. Activity will be on 160 to 2 meters. QSL to home calls.

NETHERLANDS, PA. To celebrate the 80th anniversary of the first PA0 callsign, special event station PA80ZERO is QRV by various operators during the entire month of August. QSL via PA3CAL.

GREECE, SV. A group of operators are QRV as J48LH from Dukato Lefkas Island Lighthouse, ARLHS GRE-060, until August 9. Activity is on all HF bands using CW and SSB with three stations active. QSL via SV3DCX.

INDIA, VU. Special event station AT8LHC is QRV from Kadalur Point Lighthouse, Calicut, Kerala until August 16. Activity is on 40 and 20 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via VU2JHM.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The International Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend QSO Contest, Worked All Europe CW DX Contest, NCCC CW Sprint Ladder, Maryland-DC QSO Party and the SKCC Weekend CW Sprint are all on tap for this weekend. The MMMonVHF/DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest and the NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint are scheduled for August 12. Please see August QST, page 76, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10454. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-06 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10454

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 06 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 218 Issued at 2200Z on 06 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 05/2100Z
to 06/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 05/2100Z to 06/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to active. Solar wind observations
from the ACE spacecraft indicated the onset of a high-speed stream
from a recurrent coronal hole. Velocities increased from around 380
km/s to 520 km/s with +/- 13 nT fluctuations in the IMF Bz.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled with a slight chance for isolated
active periods for day one (07 August) as the recurrent coronal hole
high-speed stream remains geoeffective. Quiet conditions are
expected on day two (08 August). Quiet to unsettled conditions with
a slight chance for isolated active periods are expected for day
three (09 August) due to the next recurrent coronal hole.
III. Event Probabilities 07 Aug-09 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 06 Aug 067
Predicted 07 Aug-09 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 06 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 05 Aug 005/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 06 Aug 011/012
Predicted Afr/Ap 07 Aug-09 Aug 007/007-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 07 Aug-09 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/05/20
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10455. 7P8YI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-07 03:31:13 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10455 Message: 10455

7P8YI on 40M CW at 02:00 UTC 7 AUG 2009 with good signals. I worked him at about 35WPM, up 1.1 KHz, 100 Watts to a ground mounted vertical. To be honest it took longer to switch from my Corsair II (on 20M PSK-31) to the OMNI VI+ (controlled with Commander) than the time spent calling. I think I only sent my call three times and he came back with a 9M? on the second call. Great Op with good ears.

73 ES DX,

Gary - AB9M

10456. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-07 12:52:46 UTC
From: john.brewer@us.schneider-electric.com
Topic: 10384 Message: 10456

I was a novice (WN5AUW) and an active SWL at that time, receiving cards from R. Havana Cuba,
and R.Tirana Albania, as well as the occasional QSL card from eastern bloc DX snagged on 15m.
My father was vice commander of the Air Force Special Weapons Center at the time. He *did* hear about my DXing activities in an official way. It didn't cause any difficulty (I dont think) and I never had to stop doing what I was doing, but eyes were watching our inward mail
(we lived on an air force base).

John K5MO

10457. [425ENG] 425 DX News #953

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-07 15:32:42 UTC
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3B7 - Rachid, 3B8FQ [425DXN 948] will leave Mauritius by boat on 11 August and will be active as 3B7FQ from St. Brandon Island (AF-015) starting on the 12-13 through the end of the month (and possibly for a few extra days in early September). He will operate CW and SSB in his spare time. Look for him on 30-10 metres, although Rachid expects 40 and 20 metres to be most productive. He will use the island's G5RV and a vertical with a 100 watt transceiver powered by a 12 volt battery that will be charged daily. Rachid's anticipated frequencies are 7008, 10108, 14008, 18078, 21008, 24898, 28008 kHz (CW) and 7050, 14191, 18141, 21241, 24941, 28491 kHz (SSB). QSL via K5XK, direct preferred. [TNX K5XK]
3D2_cr - Uwe, DJ9HX has joined the 1-10 October DXpedition to Conway Reef [425DXN 948], which means that they will be able to run up to four stations simultaneously. The callsign will be 3D20CR (3D Twenty CR), to mark the 20th anniversary of the first operation (3D2CR) from the newly born DXCC Entity. QSL via DJ8NK. The website for the expedition is at http://www.conwayreef2009.de [TNX DJ8NK]
4J - Gerard, F2VX and Yannick, F6FYD will be active as 4J/homecall from Azerbaijan on 11-29 August. They will operate SSB on the HF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
5B - Terry, G4MKP will be active as 5B/G4MKP from Cyprus (AS-004) on 14-25 August. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via M0URX. [TNX NG3K]
9M - Mirek, VK6DXI will be active in his spare time as 9M8DX/2 from Kuala Lumpur, West Malaysia until 13 August. Then he will go and operate holiday style as 9M8DX from Kuching, Sarawak (OC-088), East Malaysia until the 18th. He will operate mainly CW from both locations. QSL via SP5UAF. [TNX VK6DXI]
BY - A group of six operators will be active as BA7IO/4 from Heng Sha Island (AS-136) on 8-17 August. QSL direct to BA7IO. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
C2 - Dani, EA4ATI (9M2TI) expects to be active as C21TI from Nauru (OC-031) on 17-23 August. Plans are to operate SSB and CW on 160-6

metres. QSL via EA4ATI. Further information can be found at
http://c21ti.madrono.net/index.html
CE - Hector, CE3FZL will be active as CE2P from the lighthouse at Punta
Panul (ARLHS CHI-073) on 15-16 August. He plans on 40 metres SSB.
QSL via EA5KB. [TNX EA5OL]
CE0Y - XR0YA is the callsign issued to the expedition to Easter Island
(SA-001) which will take place between 31 October and 15 November
[425DXN 945]. The six team members (namely Marco/CE6TBN,
Leszek/NI1L, Art/PA3C, Zbig/SP7HOV, Stan/SQ8X and Victoria/SV2KBS)
have been granted permission to operate on all bands, and they
plan to focus on 160, 80, 40 and above all 30 metres (CW only, as
digital modes on 30m are not allowed). Working Europe on 30 metres
will be their priority during the first week on the island. XR0YA
will have three stations with two amplifiers and several antennas.
Although SSB will not be neglected, CW will be the main operating
mode, with some RTTY being planned as well. QSL route TBA. Further
information can be found on the expedtion's web site
(http://rapanui2009.org/). [TNX MM0NDX]
CT7 - CT1GZB, CT1CSY and CT2JXT will be active as CR6LH from the
lighthouse at Cabo Espichel (ARLHS POR-009) on 15-16 August. They
plan to operate SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and some slow CW on as many bands
as possible. QSL via CT1GZB, direct or bureau. [TNX CT1GZB]
CT8 - Frank, DK5FT will be active holiday style as CT8/DK5FT from Sao
Miguel (EU-003), Azores on 10-22 September. [TNX DK5FT]
CX - The Radio Club Uruguayo will be active as CW1R from the lighthouse
at Punta del Este (ARLHS URU-008) on 14-16 August. They plan to
have at least two stations up and running on 80-15 metres CW, SSB
and digital modes. QSL direct to Radio Club Uruguayo, P.O. Box 37,
11000 Montevideo, Uruguay. [TNX CX3AL]
DL - Michel/HB9DLO, Pierre-Yves/HB9OMI and Pierre/HB9SMU will be active
as DL/HB9LH from Schleimunde lighthouse (ARLHS FED-217) on Lotsen
Island (not IOTA, O-020 for the German Islands Award) on 8-16
August. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 80-6 metres. QSL via
HB9DLO, direct or bureau. [TNX I2JJR]
EA8 - EA8ANE, EA8AZM, EA8CAC and EA8DP will be active as AO8FLH from La
Entallada Lighthouse on Fuerteventura Island on 15-16 August. They
plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40 and
80 metres. QSL via EA8AKN, direct or bureau. [TNX EA8CAC]
F - Martin, F4UKP will be active as F4UKP/p from Ile de Re (EU-032) on
15-22 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He plans to
operate SSB and CW, with some PSK31 and RTTY. [TNX
www.rsgbiota.org]
FO - FO8RZ is the callsign issued to Phil, F5PHW (http://f5phw.chez.com)
for him to use during his two-year stay on Tahiti, French Polynesia
[425DXN 945]. The vertical antenna has been set up, he says, the
others will follow in due course. QSL via F8BPN, direct or bureau.
Phil's log will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX F5NQL]
G - Viv, G4PLY will be active as GB111HP for the rest of August. The
special callsigns is a tribute to Harry Patch, who passed away on
25 July, a few weeks after his 111th birthday. He was the oldest

surviving World War I veteran living in the UK. QSL via G4PLY, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
G - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the first British amateur radio station (H. Woodhead, G2NX) to use SSB, the Marches Amateur Radio Society will be active as GB1SSB on 8-9 and 22-23 August. QSL via the RSGB bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
G - The Border Reivers Amateur Radio Society (MX0BRS) will be active as GB4SML from St Mary's Lighthouse on St Mary's Island (EU-011) on 15-16 August. QSL via M1DZT.
I - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, Frank, IZ7AUH is active as IY7GM through the end of the year. On 9 August he will operate on 6 metres during the Alessio Ortona 50MHz Memorial (7-15 UTC). QSL via home call (see qrz.com under IY7GM for QSLling instructions). [TNX IZ7AUH]
I - Giorgio, IZ4AKS will be active as IE9X from Ustica Island (EU-051, IIA PA-001) on 16-21 August. He will operate mainly SSB, with some RTTY and CW, on 40-10 metres. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX IZ4AKS]
JD_oga - Tack, JE1RXJ is active as JD1BNE from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara until 9 August. He operates CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-6 metres. QSl via home call. [TNX JE1RXJ]
JW - This year's SYLRA (http://www.sylra.is/) meeting will be held in Kolbotn, Norway on 3-6 September (special callsign LA1SYL). After that, on 7-11 September, Ingrid/LA8FOA, Unni/LA6RHA and several other YL operators will be active as JW1SYL from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard. QSL via LA8FOA, direct or bureau.
KL - Boris, N3SY will be active on 40-10 metres as KL7/N3SY from the Denali National Park on 6-15 August. QSl via home call. [TNX NG3K]
KP - The Caribbean Amateur Radio Group (WP4CRG) will be active as W4L from the Arecibo Lighthouse (ARLHS PUR-001), Puerto Rico (NA-099) between 14 and 23 August. QSL direct to CARG, P.O. Box 140031, Arecibo, PR 00614-0031, USA. [TNX VA3RJ]
LA - Henk/PA3FMC, Ruud/PE1BTV and Hans/PH0V will be active from Utvaer Island (EU-055) on 11-17 August. Expect LA/PE1BTV and LA/PH0V to be QRV on 2 and 6 metres respectively, while LA/PA3FMC will operate SSB, CW and PSK on the HF bands. Further information can be found at http://la2009.dxpedition.nl/ [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
LA - Mario will be active as LA2NK and/or LA/DL5ME from Mageroya (EU-044) on 13-16 August. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL direct to DL5ME. On 19 August he will operate for some eight hours as OH9AA/p from Syvaletto (EU-126). QSL direct to DH5MM.
LU - The Radio Club Argentino will be active as LR5D from Martin García Island (SA-055) and lighthouse on 14-17 August. They plan to operate CW, SSB and FM on 160-6 metres, plus 2m and 70cm. QSL via LU4AA, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.lu4aa.org/mgi2009.htm [TNX LU1BCE]
LZ - Plamen, LZ3FM will be active as LZ02WFF from Biosphere Reserve Kamchia between 11 and 18 August. He will operate mainly CW with

some SSB on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL for this activation via LZ1PJ, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
OJ0 - OJ0B and OJ0J have been active from Market Reef (EU-053) since 6 August. During the weekend, Pertti/OH2PM will participate in the Worked All Europe CW Contest as OJ0B, while Pekka/OH2TA and Henry/OH3JR will operate OJ0J mainly on 30, 17 and 12 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. On 10 August OJ0B will go QRT, but OJ0J will continue until the 12th with a new team including Masaru/JA5AQC, Taka/JA5AUC, Katsu/JA4JBZ and Jaakko/OH1TX. QSL OJ0B via OH2BH, QSL OJ0J via OH0RJ. [TNX The Daily DX]
ON - ON4CB, ON4LO, ON5GQ and ON6HP will be active as OR9W from the lightship "Westhinder 1" on 15-16 August. They plan to operate SSB on various bands. QSL via ON4CB, bureau preferred. [TNX ON4LO]
PA - Special event station PD55EA (http://www.pd7bz.nl/pd55ea) will be active until 28 August to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the open.air museum "Ellert and Brammert" in Schoonoord, The Netherlands. Expect activity on 10, 20 and 40 metres SSB and digital modes. All of the QSO will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards should be sent to PD7BZ. [TNX PD7BZ]
PA - Members of the PI4VPO group will operate CW, SSB and PSK on the HF and VHF bands from Stenen Baak old lighthouse (ARLHS NET-071) on 15-16 August. QSL via PA2CNR. [TNX PA0AKN]
PY - Jose/PY6HD, Beto/PY6RT and Nilzo/PY6AWU will be active once again as ZZ6Z from Itaparica Island (SA-023) on 14-16 August. They will operate SSB only on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via PY6HD, direct or bureau. The log will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX PT7WA]
PY - Mor, PT7ZT will be active as PT7ZT/p from Pecem Lighthouse (ARLH BRA-285) on 15-16 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX PT7ZT]
SP - Wilhelm, SP8AJC and Henryk, SP9JPA will be active as 3Z8WFF from Krempna, Magurski National Park on 20-23 August. QSL via SP8AJC, direct or bureau. [TNX SP9JPA]
SP - Special event station SN120OSP will be active from 21 August to 31 October from Gorowo Ilaweckie, Poland to celebrate the 120 anniversary of the creation of the volunteer fire brigades. QSL via SP4CUF. [TNX SP4CUF]
SV - Look for J48LH to be in use from the lighthouse at Cape Dukato on Levkas Island (not IOTA) on 6-9 August. Plans are to have three stations active on CW and SSB. QSL via SV3DCX. [TNX www.southgatearc.org]
SV - Kostas, SV2MAC will be active as SV2MAC/8/p from Samothraki Island (EU-174) on 16-30 August. He plans to operate SSb on all the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX SV2MAC]
TA - On 17 August 1999 a major earthquake struck northwestern Turkey and killed some 17,000 people. In remembrance of those who lost their lives, the Turkish Special Wireless Activity Team (http://www.tcswat.org) will operate as TC99Y (from Bozburun Lighthouse at Yalova) and TC99K (from Yelkenkaya Lighthouse at Kocaeli) on 15-16 August. QSL via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]

TK - Heinz, DF6ZY will be active as TK/DF6ZY from Corsica (EU-014) from
16 September to 3 October. He plans to operate on 10-80 metres
mostly RTTY, with some SSB and SSTV on request. QSL via home call,
direct or bureau. [TNX DF6ZY]
UR - The Ternopil Amateur Radio Club will use special callsign EM360B
on 14-18 August to commemorate the 360th anniversary of the
historical battle of Zboriv. QSL via UY5BC. [TNX UR5BCP]
VE - Neil, VE3SST will be active Salisbury Island (not IOTA, CIsA
ON-284) on 15-20 August. QSL via home call. [TNX VE3SST]
VE - Cezar, VE3LYC reports that his VY0O IOTA trip to the Ottawa
Islands (NA-230) [425DXN 950] has been rescheduled for 5-8
September. The islands are quite far from the mainland, and
weather conditions can influence his schedule. [TNX MM0NDX]
VK - Wally, VK6YS (http://www.westozdx.net/index.html) is in the process
of organizing an IOTA expedition to Robertson Island, Houtman
Abrolhos (OC-211) to take place between 29 December and 4 January
2010. QSL via VK4AAR. Permissions, lodging and transport have been
For the time being the team includes Wally and Nigel/VK6NI, but
they are looking for another two operators to share the costs.
Please contact Wally (vk6ys@...) if interested. The
Abrolhos were activated for the first and only time by VK9XZ/6 back
in January 1996. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
VU - Special event station AT8LHC will be active on 20 and 40 metres
CW, SSB and digital modes from Kadalur Point Lighthouse (ARLHS
IND-013) on 7-16 August. QSL via VU2JHM, direct or bureau. [TNX
F5NQL]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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QSL 3DA0 ---> It seems that some of the qrz.com QSL routes for the current
operation from Swaziland (3DA0DJ, 3DA0EL, 3DA0MH, 3DA0MM, 3DA0TB and
3DA0VA) are not correct. David Hutchinson, GI4FUM/3DA0DJ says he is "the
QSL manager for the group" and that "there will be one card printed with
all 6 individual calls on it". [TNX GI4FUM]

QSL S50HQ ---> The QSL route for S50HQ (IARU HF World Championship HQ
station for Slovenia) is no longer via S57XX. The new QSL manager is S54G
(direct and bureau). The log has been uploaded to LoTW. [TNX S50U]

QSL VIA VE7DP ---> Frank, VE7DP says that the cards for 4F1VEM/9, 4F4PA and
DY1C were printed and mailed a month ago, and the package "should arrive
any day now". All direct requests will be processed by end of August,
please be patient. Bureau cards can be requested by sending an e-mail to
Frank (ve7dp@...), who might also be able to help with DV4ADC and DW4DLJ
(if you are getting no response via the address on qrz.com). [TNX VE7DP]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now
available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note
that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible
for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further
information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

WORKED ALL MOLDOVA ---> The Assotiatia Radioamatorilor din Moldova (ARM)
sponsors the "Worked All Moldova" award for contacts made (or heard, for
SWLs) with Moldovian amateur radio stations since 1 June 1993. Complete
information can be found at http://qrz.ru/awards/detail/616.html or from
the Award Manager (Valery Metaxa, er1da@...). [TNX ER1DA]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A2MD, 3B9/SP2JMB, 3D2YA
(OC-121), 3DA0ZO, 3XM6JR, 3XY5M, 4L8A, 4S7NE, 4T6I, 4U1UN, 4X4DK, 4Z5LA,
5F1ROM, 5H1MS (AF-032), 5K0T (NA-132 & NA-133), 5N8NDP, 5R8FU, 5T5DC,
7Q7AH, 7Z1SJ, 8Q7TB, 9K2MU, 9L0W, 9Y4D, A35KL (OC-064), A61TT, A7/M0FGA,
AI5P/6Y5, AM8IL, AT9RS (AS-177), BD5JAD, BX4AD, C31CT, C6AXD (NA-113),
C91TX, CO8LY, CV5A (SA-030), CX5BW, D2QMN, D44TXQ (AF-086), E44M, E71A,
EI6S, ES90Z, ET3JA, EX8MLE, EZ8AQ, FG5GP, FO/N6JA, FT5YJ, H6VA, HC8GR,
HH4/K4QD, HZ1FS/p (AS-192), J28OO, JD1BLY, JD1BMM, JT1R, JY4CI, K5D,
KH2/JA1CJP, KH7Y, KL7AF, LU7YS, LZ7J, OD5/IV3YIM, OJ1ABOA, PH6Q, PJ2/W8WTS,
PT1R (SA-079), PZ5WP, R1FJT, S92LX, ST2EB, SY8L (EU-049), T32YY, T47C,
TF3CW, TI7KK (NA-191), TJ3SL, TL0A, TO3R, TR8CA, TS7C, V29JKV, V63MY,
V63TO, VE3DZ/VP9, VP5/K5CM, VU2ELJ, VY0A (NA-186), XE2WWW, YI9KEE, YJ0TXF,
YL2BJ, YN2DD, YS1G, Z37M, ZB2FK, ZC4TS, ZD7BG, ZF2XP, ZF2ZB, ZL7T, ZW8BBC
(SA-072), ZY0F.

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10458. [425ENG] 425 DX News #953 [Calendar]

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10459. ARLP032 Propagation de K7RA

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Date: 2009-08-07 19:04:51 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5561 Message: 10459

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ARLP032 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 32 ARLP032
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA August 7, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP032
ARLP032 Propagation de K7RA

We had some nice sunspot activity from July 3-10, and were hoping for a return 27-28 days later, but it never happened. Varying by latitude, the sun rotates relative to earth about every 27.5 days. If that same region was still active or activity renewed, then we might have seen something between July 30 and August 7, which is today. Instead, the quiet continues.

Some rather odd numbers appeared on August 5. Check out the eight planetary K index readings on that date at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt and note that they never varied.

Dean Lewis, W9WGV of Palatine, Illinois wrote this week asking about the most likely path that his signal took on July 12. Because of local restrictions, he uses inside wire for an antenna, so he can't tell for sure which direction a signal is coming from. At 0620z in the IARU HF World Championship he worked VK2AYD on 20 meter CW. He wondered if the path was most likely over the Pacific, or the Atlantic Ocean and Africa?

I ran some numbers on W6ELprop (download from http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/) and used a location of 42.148 deg N and 88.014 deg W for Dean, and according to the entry on QRZ.com, VK2AYD is in grid square QF68in, which W6ELprop translates to 31.44 deg S, 152.71 deg E. W6ELprop indicates that the short path is 9,069 miles with a beam heading from Illinois of 262 degrees. Long path is at 82 degrees from Dean, at 15,806 miles.

With a smoothed sunspot number of 3, it shows that they worked each other at the optimum time for that band. From 0400-0600z the program predicts signals at 19, 21, 23, 24 and 25 db above .5 microvolt, on half hour intervals. After that, signals drop out, which is exactly what Dean experienced.

Any possible long path opening would be much weaker and also earlier, according to the software. It says 2300-0000z is most likely.

Among six meter reports this week, Bill Turner, W4WNT says he was mobile running 40 watts on the beach at Oak Island, North Carolina (FM03) when he worked EA8CQS (IL18) in the Canary Islands on phone on July 29. Bill was using one of those popular and inexpensive monoband whips on the back of his car.

Jon Jones, N0JK of Wichita, Kansas had a lot of 2 meter e-skip excitement on July 29-30, but missed openings the following day. One July 29 he worked (with UTC, call, grid square and state abbreviation) 2242 W1AIM FN34 VT, 2245 K1WHS FN43 ME (heard off and on for over an hour.) 2,300 km, 2252 W2RJO FN23 NY, 2332 KC2RDC FN14 NY, 2349 VE2DFO FN25 QC. He sent a link showing the K1WHS station, at http://www.directivesystems.com/144MHZ.htm. Jon was using a 7 element Yagi on a stepladder in his bedroom. It was facing northeast, but Jon didn't say if the antenna was pointed out the window.

George Ackinclose, W4GNE of Chesterfield, Virginia had an exciting time with that same sporadic-e 2 meter opening on July 29 from 2200-0000z. He was using a 12 element Yagi on a 20-foot boom, but just 25 feet above ground. George reports that he worked ''K0AWU in EN37, Minnesota (approx 1,000 mi.), K0SIX in EN35, Minnesota, KA9CFD in EN40, Illinois, WB0ULX in EN04 South Dakota (approx 1,200 miles.), K0KFC in EN35, Wisconsin, K0CJ in EN34, Minnesota and N0UK in EN34, Minnesota''.

''I have only been in amateur radio since Dec. 2002 and that was the most heart racing, adrenaline pumping action on ANY band that I have been a part of... so far. I'm certain that if I had a little better antenna height I would have worked a lot more, I heard many others just too far down in the noise for me to pick out''. All these contacts had good signals, S5-S9.

Roger Harrison, VK2ZRH sent an interesting email concerning a 3-month running mean of sunspot numbers he has been looking at. You can see his analysis and discussion at http://www.vklogger.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=43&t=8661. Roger wrote, ''During the late-1980s, I worked with Dr Leo McNamara to produce a series of 9 articles titled ''Radio Communicators' Guide to the Ionosphere'', published in Australian Electronics Monthly (I was Editor/Publisher), Dr McNamara subsequently developed that into a book - ''Radio Amateurs Guide to the Ionosphere'', published by Kreiger. More recently, from around 2002, I began re-acquainting myself with the world of sporadic E research and sporadic E VHF propagation''.

This weekend is the Worked All Europe DX CW Contest. Conditions should continue to be quiet, although currently on Friday morning the interplanetary magnetic field is pointing south, leaving our

earth vulnerable to a solar wind stream. Predicted planetary A index for August 7-11 is 5, 5, 7, 5 and 5.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for July 30 through August 5 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 68, 68.7, 68.1, 68.1, 67.4, 65.8, and 66.2 with a mean of 67.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 5, 4, 3, 10, 4 and 6 with a mean of 5. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 4, 3, 2, 7, 4 and 5 with a mean of 3.9.
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10460. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-07 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10460

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 07 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 219 Issued at 2200Z on 07 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 06/2100Z
to 07/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 06/2100Z to 07/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled. Solar wind
observations from the ACE spacecraft indicated the continued
presence of a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream. Velocities
varied between 450 km/s and 500 km/s during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on day one (08 August). For days two and three
(09-10 August), quiet to unsettled conditions with a slight chance
for isolated active periods are expected as the next recurrent
coronal hole becomes geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 08 Aug-10 Aug
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Class X 01/01/01
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PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 07 Aug 068
Predicted 08 Aug-10 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 07 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
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Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Aug 007/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Aug-10 Aug 005/005-007/007-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Aug-10 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/20/20
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Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10461. MFJ Acquires Cushcraft

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-07 23:00:53 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10461 Message: 10461

MFJ Acquires Cushcraft (Aug 7, 2009) -- On August 7, MFJ Enterprises announced they had purchased the Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas product line from Missouri-based Laird Technologies effective July 31. According to MFJ, Cushcraft -- makers of HF/VHF/UHF vertical, beam and Yagi antennas for the Amateur Radio community -- will continue to be manufactured in Manchester, New Hampshire. "We are excited to have the Cushcraft Amateur Radio Antennas product line alongside our other five companies," said Martin F. Jue, President and founder of MFJ Enterprises, Inc. "This product line increases our ability to offer our customers a wide range of antenna options at different prices. Customers will be able to choose from Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas, Hy-gain and MFJ antennas through one source. " MFJ purchased Hy-gain in 2000 the company also owns Ameritron, Mirage and Vectronics. Jue said that the Cushcraft line will bring more than 50 new products to MFJ's Amateur Radio product line. "We will add more new products to this antenna line and will continue the Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas name long into the future. Cushcraft Amateur Radio antenna product customers will appreciate the continued and expected top-quality manufacturing of this product in New Hampshire and the MFJ commitment to superb after-the-sale service and tech support in Mississippi," said Jue. The 120 page 2010 MFJ catalog will include the entire Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas product line. MFJ has set up a special customer support line -- 662-323-5803 -- to handle Cushcraft antenna product technical support, parts requests and customer services.

10462. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-08 00:22:54 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10384 Message: 10462

John, I don't know when you were a novice, but before I became a ham (in 1973) and was on active duty (with a nuclear duty position security clearance), we were once briefed with the statistic that over fifty percent of the U.S. adult population had been "under surveillance" and had a file at one US agency or other. And with your father in "Special Weapons" your mail wasn't the only thing that was being watched.

Being a dependent with a ham station on base must have been a real experience.... and 15 meter DXing as a Novice good fun.

73 ES DX,

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From: john.brewer@...-electric.com
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2009 7:52 AM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

I was a novice (WN5AUW) and an active SWL at that time, receiving cards from R. Havana Cuba,
and R.Tirana Albania, as well as the occasional QSL card from eastern bloc DX snagged on 15m.
My father was vice commander of the Air Force Special Weapons Center at the time. He *did* hear about my DXing activities in an official way. It didn't cause any difficulty (I dont think) and I never had to stop doing what I was doing, but eyes were watching our inward mail
(we lived on an air force base).

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10463. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-08 12:05:46 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10384 Message: 10463

During my ham radio lifetime, 55+ years, I held too many DOD/DOE clearances and various endorsements. I served as Chief of Nuclear Weapons Effects, followed by Chief Engineer on the MX-Missile Reentry System and Reentry Vehicle [LGM-118A]. I spent almost 4 years into and out of the Nevada Nuclear Weapons Test Site, and my contracts had several specific UGTs, etc.

During that portion of my engineering career I never worked DX! Any "contact" with a person associated with the Soviet Union or other Communist nations was a reportable "incident". So, no HF DX! I became very active in USAF MARS and spent several years as Region I Communications Manager, AFF1C. Non MARS hammin' was limited to 2 meter FM mobile to and from work.

After retirement I assembled a reasonable HF station and started chasing DX.

Today, well into retirement, I'm too lazy to jump into the pile-ups. I've become a casual DXer on my time and my schedule.

DD, W1MCE and USAF MARS AFW1MCE/AFB1JX/AFF1C

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to a period of southward IMF Bz coupled with increases in velocities
and IMF Bt associated with a coronal hole high-speed stream. Solar
wind velocities reached a peak of 533 km/sec at 08/0615Z, then
gradually decreased to a low of 429 km/sec by the end of the summary
period as the high-speed stream subsided.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during days 1 - 2 (09
-10 August), with a chance for active periods, due to another
recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream. Activity is expected to
decrease to mostly quiet levels by day 3 (11 August) as the
high-speed stream subsides.
III. Event Probabilities 09 Aug-11 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 08 Aug 067
Predicted 09 Aug-11 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 08 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 07 Aug 008/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 08 Aug 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 09 Aug-11 Aug 007/007-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Aug-11 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/20/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10465. [425ENG] 425 DX Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-09 12:22:21 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 2440 Message: 10465

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (July 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in July, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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10466. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #920

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-09 21:23:39 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10466 Message: 10466

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd-August, through Sunday, 9th-August there were 208 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V5, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B7, ST. BRANDON ISLAND. Ron, K5XK, updates OPDX that Rachid, 3B8FQ, will leave Mauritius by boat on Tuesday, August 11th, enroute for St. Brandon (AF-015). Rachid will operate solo as 3B7FQ from August 12th through the end of the month--and possibly a few extra days in early September. Look for him on all bands, 30-10 meters, although Rachid expects 40 and 20 meters to be most productive. He will use both CW

and SSB, as conditions allow. As in Rachid's earlier travels to 3B6 and 3B7, operating time will be shared with his primary mission of performing maintenance on the island's meteorological equipment. He expects to use the island's G5RV and a vertical with a 100 watt transceiver powered by a 12 volt battery that will be charged daily. Rachid likes to use "the 8s" whenever possible on CW. Here are his anticipated frequencies:
CW - 7008, 10108, 14008, 18078, 21008, 24898 and 28008 kHz
SSB - 7050, 14191, 18141, 21241, 24941 and 28491 kHz

If future plans come together, Rachid may operate from 3B9 sometime after his return and hopes to operate from 3B6 again in November. QSL via K5XK, direct preferred.

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update). Jan, DJ8NK, informs OPDX this past week that they have added one more operator to the crew. Uwe, DJ9HX, is the new added operator. Now with the fourth operator they will be able to run 4 stations simultaneously in order to serve the pile-up. They have also announced their callsign for the operation - 3D20CR. The callsign of this DXpedition was issued to commemorate a DXpedition 20 years ago when DK9KX as organizer and leader of a crew, which included today's member DJ9ON, visited this island for the first activation ever. The DXpedition is still looking for sponsors. The total amount of the operation is estimated at 64.000 USDs. For details/updates and on how to donate funds for this operation, please visit their Web page at: http://www.conwayreef2009.de

3DA0, SWAZILAND. Only a few more days to work 3DA0DJ, 3DA0TB, 3DA0MH, 3DA0VA, 3DA0MM and 3DA0EL. Activity is expected to end August 11th. QSL via their home callsigns.

4J, AZERBAIJAN. Operators Gerard/F2VX and Yanick/FYFYD will be active as 4J/homecall, August 11-29th. Activity will be mainly HF bands using SSB. QSL via their home callsign, direct (SAE + postage) or by the French Ref-Bureau (please only this bureau).

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. No QSNs reported yet on Al, CT1GPQ, as 4W6AL from Timor Lorosae. He will be there until October 3rd. Remember, this is "NOT A DXpedition"! CT1GPQ will be in Timor-Leste with a Medical Team and radio operations will take place only during his spare time. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters SSB, RTTY and preferably CW. Pilot station and QSL Manager is Toze, CT1GFK. The pilot station will be in daily contact with CT1GPQ. Any questions or suggestions should be sent to: star@...
Activity logs will be online (possibly daily) on: http://algarvedx.com

6W, SENEGAL. Stan, EI6DX, will be active as 6W/EI6DX from Somone which is located 70 km southeast of Dakar, between November 7-16th. He will concentrate on the lower bands and CW. Stan will take part in JA DX Contest. QSL via RX3RC, by the Bureau or direct. Look for updates at: http://www.ei6dx.com/senegal

7P, LESOTHO (Update). You have until August 13th to work operators Pista/ HA5AO (7P8AO), Frosty/K5LBU (7P8CF), Laurent/W0MM (7P8MM), John/9M6XRO (7P8OK) and Ben/DJ0YI (7P8YI). QSL 7P8OK only via M0URX, others via their home callsigns. They will have a log search page after the conclusion of their operations. For more details, please visit the Texas DX Society's Web site at: http://www.tdxs.net/7p8.html

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (Update). Philippe, F5LTB/9Q1TB, is now active on the air as A65BI thanks to Abdullah, A61Q, for the support he gave to obtain the necessary authorization from his landlord to erect an antenna on the roof of the building. His activity has been on 20 meters SSB at various times during the day. His QSL Manager will continue to be SM5DJZ, direct ONLY (eQSL are welcome for eDX100, eWAS and eZ40). QSL design for a standard QSL and an eQSL will be ready shortly. Watch QRZ.com for updates.

A9, BAHRAIN. Dave, EI3IO, will be leaving Ireland and will move to Bahrain for at least 2 years. He has not received his callsign yet but plans to be active on 160m (especially during the winter) through the VHF bands. Look for him on 20 meters starting in September. Hopefully more details will be forthcoming. Visit his Web page at: http://EI3IO.com

CQ NEWS. A press release by Richard Moseson, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, dated August 4th, states: "2008 CQ World Wide CW Contest Marks Major Milestone for K0DQ Becomes Possibly the Only Person Ever to Win All Six Major Ham Radio Contests -- Scott Redd, K0DQ, operating the 2008 CW weekend of the CQ World Wide DX Contest from Aruba as P40Q, racked up over a million more points than his closest competitor in the Single-Operator Low Power Class, and became perhaps the only person ever to win single-op world championships in all six major ham radio DX contests. 'I don't know of anyone else' who has won all the major contests, said CQWW Contest Director Bob Cox, K3EST, in announcing the results, which will be published in the September issue of 'CQ' magazine.
Scott had his first taste of contest victory back in 1966, as a young Navy officer posted to Uruguay and operating CX2CO in the phone weekend of the CQ World Wide DX Contest. Over the succeeding years, Scott worked his way through the Navy ranks to Vice Admiral and became Commander of the Fifth Fleet, then served as a civilian in the Iraq Coalition Provisional Authority and as Director of the National Counter terrorism Center before retiring in late 2007. But ham radio and contesting were never far away, and operating from Mexico as XE1IIJ in the early 1970s, Scott won single-op world championships in the CQWW Phone Contest, the ARRL DX Phone and CW Contests and the CQ WPX Phone Contest. Thirty years later, when his professional life permitted a little more hamming time, Scott added the WPX CW crown as P41P, operating from P43P's station in Aruba, in 2002. The only prize that eluded him -- until now -- was the CQWW CW.
'I've been trying like a son-of-a-gun to win (the) CQ World Wide CW,' Scott commented in a 2008 interview with 'CQ'. 'I've come in number two, I've come in number three, but I've never won that one.... so that's still my goal, every time I get close, in CQ World Wide CW, to win the world.'

When informed that he had finally achieved that goal, K0DQ said, 'I guess the message is if you keep at it long enough good things happen. In this case, four decades. It's been a great ride ... and it's still magic!'
CQ congratulates Scott -- already a member of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame, for his contesting achievements on top of all his other achievements."

CTU IN ENGLAND. Tim, K3LR, announces that if you missed CTU Dayton and CTU Italy this year - here is another chance to attend ConTest University (CTU in England) - this time hosted by Mark, M0DXR. CTU will be conducted during the RSGB 2009 Convention (October 9-11th; formerly unknown as HFC) on Saturday, October 10th. Complete details are available at the following Web pages at: http://www.contestuniversity.com/main/page_uk.html
http://www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention/events_programme.php
The next CTU during the Hamvention in Dayton, Ohio, United States, will be on May 13, 2010. Details at:
http://www.contestuniversity.com/main/page_home.html

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY (NA-146). Operators Gary/W2VQ and his son Paul/WQ2N will be active as FJ/W2VQ and FJ/WQ2N between August 18-25th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY (possible PSK31). They will be using only 100 watts into dipoles and beams. An online log will be available during and after the operation at:
http://www.logsearch.org/lsd/logsearch.php?Switch=46
They will be listening for JA/AS and EU a lot, so listen!

FO8, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Phil, F5PHW, who will be in Tahiti for the next two years starting this month, has received his new callsign on his 40th birthday - FO8RZ. He was on the air this past week using a vertical antenna. He was heard on 30 and 20 meters CW. He has other antennas that will be set up later (wires for 80-40m, and a triband beam 20/15/10m). Phil is still moving in, so they have a lot of things to do before being active on the radio. QSL via LoTW or via F8BPN, either direct or via the French Ref-Union Bureau. His Web page will be updated sometime soon at:
http://f5phw.chez.com

GB2/GB4/M0, ENGLAND. Members of Sands Amateur Radio Contest Group will be operating a number of special event stations on Saturday, August 15th, to celebrate the Galloways Society for the Blind's "25th Anniversary of the Cross Bay Walk" led by Queen's Guide Cedric Robinson MBE. The walk generally takes around 3 hours and needs the Queen's Guide to navigate between Arnside and Kents Bank safely because of the quicksands around the bay that have taken many lives over the years. The first appointment was in 1536. Cedric, who is the 25th appointed Queen's Guide to the Sands and local fisherman, has been leading the walks since 1963. The special callsigns to listen out for are:
GB2GSB - Located at Arnside Knott which overlooks Arnside and a good part of the walk.
M0SCG/M - Will be operating from the tractor which follows the walkers and can be used if anybody becomes too exhausted or ill during

the walk.
GB4GSB - Located at the end of the walk at Kents Bank.

A special certificate is offered for amateurs and SWLs who work any of the stations. To obtain a certificate, send an A4 SAE and a check for 2.50 (pounds) made out to SARCG, and send it to their QSL Manager G0VGS (see QRZ.com or: Ian Maude, 21 Colwyn Avenue, Bare, Morecambe, Lancs, LA4 6EQ. Once printing costs are covered, any money left over will be donated to the Galloways Society for the Blind. For more details about the walk, visit the following Web pages:
http://www.galloways.org.uk/main/pages/baywalk09.html
http://www.timetravel-britain.com/articles/country/sandwalker.shtml

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Emilio/IZ1GAR will be active as IG9W from Lampedusa Island (African Italy) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). He will concentrate on the lower bands prior to contest as IG9/IZIGAR. QSK via his home callsign.

EU-005. Steve, G0UIH, will be active as homecall/p from Piel Island (CU-005 for English Islands), August 14-16th. This island is the "Jewel in the Crown" of the Islands of Furness. The island has a history going back to the 11th century. Expect activity on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

EU-044. Mario, DL5ME, will be active as LA2NK or LA/DL5ME from Northcape on the Island of Mageroya, August 13-16th. Activity will be on 40/30/20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct ONLY to DL5ME (address on QRZ.com).

EU-051. Giorgio, IZ4AKS, will be active as IE9X from the Island of Ustica (IIA PA-001, MIA MI-116) between August 16-21st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters (mainly SSB, but also RTTY and CW) with 100w and vertical antenna. QSL Policy: A special QSL in advance to all via Bureau.

EU-055. Operators Henk/PA3FMC, Ruud/PE1BTV and Hans/PH0V will be active as LA/homecall from Utvaer Island, August 10-18th. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the bureau.

EU-126. Mario, DL5ME, will be active as OH9AA/p from the Lappi Province Group for only a few hours on August 19th. Activity will be on 40/30/20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct ONLY to DL5ME (address on QRZ.com).

EU-172. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OZ0FR/p from Samso Island (DIA JY-008, WLOTA 0726) between August 22nd and September 4th. Activity will be on all HF bands, mostly CW. QSL via DL2VFR, by the bureau or direct.

EU-174. Members of the J42ARET club will be active as SX8DI from Penna Island (GIOTA NAS-045, WLOTA 2124, WW Loc. KN10XH), one of the Drenia Islands between August 28-31st. The group also plan to activate the lighthouse on Frini Island as SX8DI/LH. Operators mentioned are: Demetrius/SV2GWY, Angelo/SV2GWR, Cleanthis/SV2XI, Dimitris/SV7HRJ, Nick/SV7HVI, Themistokles/SW2HQF and Nikos/ SW2HVD. Activity will be on HF, VHF and UHF, and all modes. QSL via the Bureau, eQSL or direct (enclose 1 IRC or 2 GSs + SAE) to SV2GWY. For more information and log search, visit the Web page at: http://sx8di.blogspot.com

NA-230. (Update/Change) Cezar, VE3LYC, will attempt his most difficult operation to date: activating for the first time the Ottawa Islands (IOTA NA-230) group in Hudson Bay. Name of the specific island is not available at this time, but the dates have been announced, August 31st to September 3rd. The callsign will be VY0O. Cezar is still looking for financial support for this project. Information for donors as well as QSL information will be posted in due course on VY0O page at QRZ.com. For more information see OPDX.916.

OC-211. Operators Wally/VK6YS and Nigel/VK6NI plan to be active as VK6YS from Robertson Island, in the Pelsaert Group (WW Loc. OG71AC) between December 29th and January 4th, 2010. They are looking for up to two operators to join them. Please contact Wally at vk6ys@... if you are interested. More information will become available closer to the DXpediton date. Visit their Web site at: http://www.westozdx.net

SA-023. Operators Jose/PY6HD, Beto/PY6RT and Nilzo/PY6AWU will be active as ZZ6Z from Itaparica Island between August 14-16th. Activity will be SSB only on 80/40/20/17/15/10 meters. QSL via PY6HD, direct, LoTW or by the Bureau.

JD/O, OGASAWARA. Just a reminder that operators Makoto/JI5RPT (JD1BLY) and Yoshihi/JO1LVZ (JD1BNF) will be active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031) between now and August 14th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using the satellites, CW, SSB, Digi modes and 2m WSJT EME. QSL via their home callsigns. Log searches will be available on the following Web sites:
JD1BLY: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/
JD1BNF: http://www.hattsan.com/

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For July August 3-9th).....
Aug 10 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Aug 11 AN ---------------
Aug 12 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 13 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 14 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
Aug 15 AN ----------------------
Aug 16 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between

7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
ADDED NOTES BY LEE: Lee informs that "SpaceWeather.com" is reporting that this year's Perseid meteor shower may be even better than usual, especially on the peak day of August 12th. The Web site is reporting that, "According to NASA's Meteoroid Environment Office, a filament of comet dust has drifted across Earth's path, and when Earth passes through it sometime between 0800-0900z (1-2 am PDT) on August 12th, the Perseid meteor rate could surge to twice its normal value. Check <http://spaceweather.com> for details and observing tips." The peak hourly rate could reach 200 meteors. Many hams who enjoy making meteor scatter contacts look forward to the Perseids each August, along with backyard astronomers who take advantage of the warm summer weather to sit outside late at night and watch the sky show.
MORE NOTES BY EDITOR: Cycle 24 Webinar - Well-known propagation expect Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, will be giving a Webinar presentation on Cycle 24, August 19th at 8 PM EDT (August 20th - 00:00 UTC). The Webinar is hosted by the Potomac Valley Radio Club (PVRC) and is free. All you have to do to register is go to <http://www.pvrc.org> and click on the Webinar link. You will receive an E-mail with additional details about the Webinar and login instructions.

KL7, ALASKA. Boris, N3SY, is expected to be active as KL7/N3SY from the National Park "Denali", between now and August 15th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using a Yaesu FT-100D into dipoles and MFJ-1622 vertical 1.5m long. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY/NEWS.....
Members of the Grupo DX Gran Canaria, Seccion Local URE Las Palmas (EA8URL), will activate La Entallada Lighthouse (ARLHS CAI 041 - Punta Lantailla) as AO8FLH on Fuerteventura Island (AF-004, DIE S-006, FEA D-2795, DME 35030, WLOTA LH-0883) in the Canary Islands during the International Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend (August 15-16th). Activity will be on 80-10 meters including 30/17/12m using CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are: Marino/EA8DP (CW), Juan/EA8CAC (CW/RTTY/SSB), Jesus/EA8ANE (SSB/RTTY) and Federico/EA8AZM (SSB/RTTY). QSL via EA8AKN, by the Bureau or direct.

Operators Michel/HB9DLO, Pierre-Yves/HB9OMI, and Pierre/HB9SMU will be active as DL/HB9LH from Schleimunde Lighthouse (ARLHS FED-217, ILLW DE-0073) on Lotseninsel Island (Pilot Island)(German Island Award O-020; Grid Locator: JO54AQ) between now and August 16th. QSL via HB9DLO, by the Bureau or direct. For more info: http://www.hb9lh.ch

Members from the Radio Club Argentino will operate from Martin Garcia Island (SA-055), August 14-17th, and plan to activate its lighthouse during the 2009 International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend (ILLW). The callsign to be used will be LR5D and activity will be on CW, SSB and FM, on 160-6 meters and 70cm. QSL via LU4AA, direct or by the Bureau. Updates and more info will be available at:
http://www.lu4aa.org/mgi2009.htm

Look for a special event activation of the Centenarian Kadalur Point Lighthouse (ILLW IN0002, ARLHS IND-013), located on the west coast of India, tp take place between now and August 16th, using the callsign AT8LHC. Look for activity on all bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL via VU2JHM, direct or by the bureau. Details of this lighthouse is available on: http://www.dgllnoida.gov.in/cochin/kadalur.html
ADDED NOTES: This lighthouse will be celebrating its 100th anniversary during the month of October. Also, look for activity on 40 and 20 meters on CW, SSB and the Digital modes, as well as VHF and Echolink, by the following individuals using their own callsigns: VU2JHM, VU2LU, VU2FI, VU2LX, VU2UR, VU2GUR, VU2KGN, VU2OJ or clubstation callsigns of VU2ARC, VU2IIH or VU2LCI. Lions Club of Bangalore North Club (#026596 that is District 324-D6) through its Lions Clubs International Amateur (Ham) Radio Club has lent their HF equipment and accessories. This activity is part of Bangalore Amateur Radio Club's Golden Jubliee and Hamfest India 2009.

NWR 2009. The KP1-5 Project, which brought you the 2009 Desecheo Island DXpedition, is pleased to announce that it is serving as national coordinator for Amateur Radio's observation of the "2009 National Wildlife Refuge Week", Sunday, October 12th to Saturday, October 18th, 2009. The goal is to combine your communication skills with your enjoyment of the outdoors to help others learn about the National Wildlife Refuge System. Only authorized, responsible access to refuges is sanctioned by this event. This year the National Wildlife Refuge System celebrates 106 years of conservation and quality recreation. Amateur Radio operators can help spread the word about the National Wildlife Refuge System by operating in or near a refuge during National Wildlife Refuge Week. For more details on this event, please visit the following Web page at: http://www.nwrweek-radio.info

OH0, ALAND ISLANDS. Alexander, DL4NO, is expected to be active as OH0/DL4NO from Finstoem on the main island of the Alands (EU-002) between August 10-21st. Activity will be limited because he is on holiday, but look for him on CW on the usual QRP frequencies for 40/30/20 meters mainly during his evening hours. He will be using a FT-817 and a GP antenna. QSL via his home callsign.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND (EU-002). Operators Ari/OH5DX, Tomi/OH6EI, Juha/OH6XX and Timo/OH6GLE will be active as OH0Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W0MM.

PJ5, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Dave, AH6HY, will be active as PJ5/AH6HY from Sint Eustatius (NA-145) between September 26th and October 1st. Activity will be holiday style with operations on 40-10 meters, mostly SSB with some CW. QSL via AH6HY, by the bureau or direct.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL FJ/VE3EY via VE3EY

5K0T QSL STATUS. George, AA7JV, reports that about 2000 QSLs so far have gone out since mid-July. A large batch of US/Canada bound cards was bulk-shipped to him last week and will be sent to their final

destinations as soon as the package arrives. (It seems that mail from Hungary takes about 10 days to get to Florida.)

Photos and QSL route of the OD5WPX contest operation by Gabby, OD5NJ, are available at: http://www.qrz.com/db/OD5WPX/1249804149
Contest location was 1460m ASL from Gabby's summer home in a village called Aintoura el-Maten (population 500).

S50HQ QSL STATUS/CHANGE. It has been reported that S57XX is not handling QSL cards for S50HQ anymore! S50HQ QSL requests received via the bureau will receive a return card via the QSL bureau by Milos, S54G. If you wish to exchange QSL card direct, please use S54G's QRZ.com address. Cards with insufficient postage or no return envelope will be returned via the QSL Bureau. S50HQ 2009 log is also uploaded on "Logbook of The World" (LoTW). Feel free to match your log for digital certification.

TK8B LOGS. Laurent, F8BBL, is currently uploading his logs from his Corsica operation at: http://www.dx-cw.net/logsearch/logsearch.php
He will be there until August 15th.

George, AA7JV, reports that the VK9GMW QSL cards were received from the printer last weekend, and they will start shipping them by August 15th.

QSLS VIA LOTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3XY5M, H6VA, JD1BMM, PZ5WP, S92LX, TL0A, V63MY and ZF2ZB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: YK9G

WFF ACTIVITY.....
(Update) Plamen, LZ3FM, plans to activate the Biosphere Reserve Kamchia (LZFF-011) during his holiday between August 11-18th. Callsign to be used will be LZ02WFF, not LZ01WFF/2. Equipment will be IC-746 plus a 4-band GP and dipole antennas. Activity will be on HF + 6m, mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via LZ1PJ, direct or by the Bureau. E-mail requests for Bureau cards are accepted (via lz1pj@...). Write QSO details and callsign worked, since Ivan, LZ1PJ, manages other callsigns too. PLEASE NOTE: LZ01WFF is used for activation for other WFF references by other operators. Ivan, LZ1PJ, will manage this activation only. For other activations listen to operator's instructions.

WFF enthusiasts (5 to 10 operators), plan to activate the Biosphere Reserve "Steneto" (LZFF-017) in the National Park "Central Balkan" (LZFF-001) between August 20-24th. Activity will be on all HF bands, as well as 6m and 2m, using CW and SSB from mountain hut "Dermenka" - 1504 meters A.S.L. (Grid Locator: KN22IR). QSL via LZ1ZF.

XR0, EASTER ISLAND. An international team of operators will be active as XR0YA from Rapa Nui between October 31st and November 15th. This will be a lite and small DXpedition with 6 operators. Operators mentioned are: Marco/CE6TBN, Leszek/NI1L, Aart/PA3C Zbig/SP7HOV, Stan/SQ8X and Victoria/

SV2KBS. Although Easter Island is no longer among the "100 Top Most Wanted DXCC Entities", it is still most wanted on some bands such as 30 meters and any activity on this band is very seldom due to a fact a special, temporary license submitted by Chilean Ministry of Telecommunication is obligatory. The group has obtained a license for all bands, and they decided to dedicate their DXpedition to 30 meters (CW section only! Digi-modes on 30m are not allowed in Chile), and 160, 80 and 40 meters. The group thanks the support from "Radio Club de Chile" to help obtain and have this unique opportunity to activate Rapa Nui on 30 meters. A QSL route has not been announced yet, but it will be shortly. They plan to use an "Online QSL Request System" (OQRS) for direct requests and also the standard QSLing via direct and bureau options. Their logs will be uploaded to the LoTW after the DXpedition after some period of time. They will NOT nor plan to use eQSL. For more details and update, visit the XR0YA Web site at: http://rapanui2009.org

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10467. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-09 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10467

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 09 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 221 Issued at 2200Z on 09 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 08/2100Z
to 09/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 08/2100Z to 09/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels. ACE
solar wind data indicated the unsettled conditions observed during
09/0300 - 0900Z were associated with a period of sustained southward
IMF Bz (minimum -4 nT at 09/0300Z). Solar wind velocities ranged
from 408 - 481 km/sec during the period.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels with a chance for active
levels on day 1 (10 August) due to a recurrent coronal hole
high-speed stream. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels
during days 2 - 3 (11 -12 August) as the high-speed stream subsides.
III. Event Probabilities 10 Aug-12 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 09 Aug 067
Predicted 10 Aug-12 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 09 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 08 Aug 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 09 Aug 007/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 10 Aug-12 Aug 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 10 Aug-12 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10468. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-10 22:35:27 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10468

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 10 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 222 Issued at 2200Z on 10 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 09/2100Z
to 10/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 09/2100Z to 10/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (11-13 August).
III. Event Probabilities 11 Aug-13 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 10 Aug 067
Predicted 11 Aug-13 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 10 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 09 Aug 006/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 10 Aug 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 11 Aug-13 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 11 Aug-13 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10469. nauru c21ti last news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-11 01:26:14 UTC
From: ARMIC EA3RKR ONCE
Topic: 10469 Message: 10469

The Team Leader of the desired C21TI DX expedition to Nauru, Pacific Adventure 2009, the Spanish EA4ATI, tells us that everything is on the march, is currently in Suva, on the way to Nauru where they are expected to arrive shortly, and if not There is nothing new or setback, the station will be in the air as planned.

The promotional video available on youtube in www.youtube.com/ea3rkr.

All the info QRZ.COM activity and the event's official website.

Upcoming videos in other languages

You too can help the success of this expedition longed to this DXCC entity that is among the most wanted, consider a donation and works with this adventure.

C21TI

Genuine commitment to the radio.

Please spread this news on lists, forums and newsletters, as well as other websites.

Thank you very much.

EA3RKR Team
 ARMIC ONCE - EA3RKR
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08015 BARCELONA

10470. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-11 08:30:31 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10384 Message: 10470

In my opinion call signs give each of us our identity. Part of our identity is our geographical location.

Seems as though this logic went out the window years ago...

So we are to just get on with the current system....guess I am getting old...

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, 3 August 2009 10:17 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

At 11:01 AM 8/3/2009, you wrote:
>The FCC will not issue KP1A or KP1DX except to "valid" addresses
>on/in the territory. Since there are likely to never be any valid
>mailing addresses for Navassa, Desecheo and the like, you're either
>going to have to sign portable (longer call) or use a "special" call
>like K5D, K4M, etc.
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>Art - N4PJ

Well, I understand the reason, Art, and given that, you should be able to get WH4A if you wanted for use in your Florida QTH. There are thousands of 2X1 "territorial" calls tied up in limbo that, as you say, will likely never be issued due to no mailing address.

I guess we beat this to death! It's a FCC issue, and I'm only interested as a DXer. From that standpoint, I'd really like the QSL to have KP5 something printed on it as opposed to K5D. It seems illogical to work a station in KP5 when no KP5 calls are allowed! :-)

However, as Zack pointed out, as DXers we really shouldn't care what they sign as long as they go there and the DXCC desk accepts it. That's why we are DXers . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

10471. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-11 16:17:11 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 10384 Message: 10471

NL7XB/B

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...> wrote:
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> identity is our geographical location.
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> Seems as though this logic went out the window years ago...
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> So we are to just get on with the current system....guess I am getting
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10472. Re: Puerto Rico callsign prefix rules?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-11 16:19:03 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 10384 Message: 10472

Correction....

NL7XM/B

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Jim" <aa0mz@...> wrote:
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> NL7XB/B
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@> wrote:
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> > 73, Paul VE1DX
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10473. Cycle 19 and MUF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-11 21:29:06 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10473 Message: 10473

Although we didn't have all of the measuring techniques we do today, does anyone know what the estimated MUF was of Cycle 19 at its peak? Did it get even close to 2 meters at all?

73s John AA5JG

10474. Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-11 22:50:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10474 Message: 10474

Another Question Answered

by Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD

(Originally Published in the West Coast DX Bulletin)

One of the younger QRPers was up the hill last week, anxious as the young always are to gain DX stature. "I keep hearing about the Mysteries of the Ages," he charged us, "but what are they? And why are they so difficult to understand?" We almost heard a tiny sigh within us when we again heard these words for well we know how the young and restless are always questioning. But they must have their answers so we hauled him up the back roads to the hill to the Old Timer, who listened to the query stated again.

"What will you do when you get the 300-DXCC sticker?", the Old Timer asked, and the QRPer had to stop and think. "I guess I will just keep on going," he said. "Jut keep looking for a few more I need and any new stuff that comes along. What else is there to do?"

The Old Timer was silent for awhile before speaking again. Finally we heard the words again, "Eventually, most will learn some of the Mysteries of the Ages," he said, "though understanding may be long in coming. But keep in mind, as you may just have indicated, that the young often tend to believe that things go on forever. The old realize that there is an end to everything, even DX." And that was that. For as Albert would so often say, all things are relative, some more so. And on the way down the hill the QRPer was still asking his questions. "What does he mean?" he asked and we realized again how difficult it is to understand the Mysteries. But we tried to explain. "DX is a state of mind," we said, possibly for the thousandth time, "and each day is a day of DX to itself. Enjoy the good days of DXing while you can. But one of these days you will realize that the good days of DXing, maybe even the Great Days of DXing, come to an end."

The QRPer was silent for awhile but later on he spoke again. "You know something," he said. "I think that when I am a little older I will understand these things better. But right now what could be more interesting than working some new DX?" And we left things at that for everyone gets a bit smarter with the years, and the old lose the fears and uncertainties of youth. And all of this may be a bit hard to understand but if you do, certainly you are ready for more of the Eternal Enigmas.

10475. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-11 22:50:51 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10475

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 11 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 223 Issued at 2200Z on 11 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
to 11/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (12-14 August).
III. Event Probabilities 12 Aug-14 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 11 Aug 067
Predicted 12 Aug-14 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 11 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 10 Aug 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 11 Aug 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 12 Aug-14 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 12 Aug-14 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 02/02/02
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10476. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 04:11:11 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10474 Message: 10476

Naw.....

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 6:50:28 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

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10477. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 14:07:37 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10474 Message: 10477

At 01:11 AM 8/12/2009, you wrote:

>Naw.....
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>Dale K8TS

This sentence was the jest of the article:

"Eventually, most will learn some of the Mysteries of the Ages," he said, "though understanding may be long in coming. But keep in mind, as you may just have indicated, that the young often tend to believe that things go on forever. The old realize that there is an end to everything, even DX."

I understand it, but don't like it! 2-3 years of the flux being at 67 might be problematic. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

10478. Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 21:42:43 UTC
From: Richard DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 10478 Message: 10478

For those of you marooned with a 7O1YGF, your days of agony are apparently over (lets hope that this is not a joke)...

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: "Glenn Kurzenknabe" <bgkurz@...>
To: "PVRC" <pvrc@...>
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 5:34 PM
Subject: [PVRC] FW: [dx-check:1201] Operation Approved for DXCC Credit (Date Correction)

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> From: Moore, Bill, NC1L [mailto:nc1l@...]
> Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 5:20 PM
> To: DXCC Checkers List
> Subject: [dx-check:1201] Operation Approved for DXCC Credit (Date
> Correction)
> Importance: High
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> [Reflector : dx-check]
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> The following operation has been approved for DXCC:
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> 7O1YGF - Yemen
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> Operation from April 16, 2000 through April 26, 2000
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> After reviewing recently-received information regarding the 7O1YGF
> operation, and after additional dialogue with a leader of the DXpedition,
> the DXCC desk has approved this operation.
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> Considering the length of time that has passed since this operation, we ask
> that DXCC participants who would like to claim credit for 7O1YGF follow the
> options below:
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> * Send the 7O1YGF card ONLY to DXCC with a SASE, or return postage if
> outside the US; DXCC will process the card and applicants will not be
> charged a submission fee. 7O1YGF cards included with other cards will be
> handled as part of a normal submission.
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> * Bring the card to a DXCC Card Checker. The card checker will forward
> the confirmation to the DXCC desk for processing. Again, there will be no
> submission fee if this is a single-card submission. You must fill out an
> application form, however.
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> In all other cases applicants can include their QSL card with their next
> submission, and it will be handled normally. We will work with the 7O1YGF
> team to use Logbook of the World if possible.
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> Remember, the cutoff date for the 2009 DXCC Annual listing and Honor Roll
> list is December 31, 2009. We encourage applicants to handle this sooner
> rather than wait until the last minute.
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> Bill Moore NC1L
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> Awards Branch Manager
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10479. RE: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 22:03:10 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10478 Message: 10479

Have they uploaded to LotW yet?

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of
Richard DiDonna NN3W
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 5:43 PM
To: dx-qsl@...
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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> Awards Branch Manager
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Yahoo! Groups Links

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Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.13.47/2290 - Release Date: 08/12/09 06:09:00

10480. Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 22:09:09 UTC
From: KE9ET-Jim
Topic: 10478 Message: 10480

No, DXCC is working with them on it....
----- Original Message -----
From: Dave AA6YQ
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; dx-qsl@...
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 10:03 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

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Dave, AA6YQ

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Richard DiDonna NN3W
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 5:43 PM
To: dx-qsl@...
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

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Yahoo! Groups Links

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Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.13.47/2290 - Release Date: 08/12/09 06:09:00

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.406 / Virus Database: 270.13.52/2298 - Release Date: 08/12/09 06:09:00

10481. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10481

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 12 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 224 Issued at 2200Z on 12 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 11/2100Z
to 12/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible solar disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 11/2100Z to 12/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet with an isolated period of
unsettled levels at middle latitudes at 12/1500Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (13-15 August).
III. Event Probabilities 13 Aug-15 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 12 Aug 067
Predicted 13 Aug-15 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 12 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 11 Aug 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 12 Aug 004/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 13 Aug-15 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 Aug-15 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10482. Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 22:16:16 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10478 Message: 10482

I checked the calendar and it is not April 1st. However I also looked
at the ARRL site and nothing there and I would expect, hope, there would be.

Yes, I hope as I have the card.

73,
Bob
K2TK

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10483. 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 22:46:20 UTC
From: Lee Jennings
Topic: 10483 Message: 10483

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10484. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #920.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 23:08:58 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10484 Message: 10484

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August 12, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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More News.....

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Recent operation conducted by ZS6GCM

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10485. RE: [Dx-qsl] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 23:09:26 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 10478 Message: 10485

Oh no!

This is terrible, horrible news!

Next spring, how am I going to spend 5 hours going to & from Dayton with K3AIR if we don't have 7O1YGF to chew over?

((OK, OK, I'm taking the tongue firmly out of the cheek now, for those of you who are humor impaired))

Seriously, this is great news, and congratulations to all who were lucky enough to work them and patient enough to wait it out!

73, ron w3wn

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DX-QSL mailing list
Home: http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/dx-qsl
Help: http://mailman.qth.net/mmfaq.htm
Post: mailto:DX-QSL@...

This list hosted by: http://www.qsl.net
Please help support this email list: http://www.qsl.net/donate.html

10486. Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 23:21:43 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10478 Message: 10486

At 02:42 PM 8/12/2009, Richard DiDonna NN3W wrote:
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YAHOOO! #321 in the bag after a nine-year wait!

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10487. RE: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 23:20:26 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10478 Message: 10487

OK!! Now I need a card for a new CW country. Where do I send the QSL?

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Yahoo! Groups Links

10488. TO3R qsl's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 23:29:14 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10488 Message: 10488

Has anyone received a TO3R qsl?

dale - kb5iy

10489. RE: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 23:36:40 UTC
From: Francisco Hennessey Jr. HK3W
Topic: 10483 Message: 10489
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hello Guys, My qso with 7O1YGF is April 21 of 2000, 21Mhz SSB is valid for DXCC?

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Siso HK3W

Francisco "Siso" Hennessey - H K 3 W ---cid:156511520@17122008-115F

DXCC Honor Roll

TRIPLE PLAY AWARD #223

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Date: 2009-08-12 23:39:21 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10483 Message: 10490
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Are you certain it is April and not August?

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-12 23:42:13 UTC
From: Al Baker
Topic: 10483 Message: 10491

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 00:48:58 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10483 Message: 10498
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

It must be. The Daily DX has the release from NC1L and it says April.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aa6yq@...
Date: Wed, 12 Aug 2009 20:45:35 -0400
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Its probably a typo in the announcement.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 8:10 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

How is this possible? The announcement says August 16 through August 26, 2000. It says NOTHING ABOUT APRIL QSOs. I hope I'm wrong but I don't think I am.

73

Al, VE1AL

BTW: my QSL is going to the German manager tomorrow!!!

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 8:52 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

They were QRV in April 2000. My first QSO with them was on 19th, and the last on the 25th.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 7:39 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Are you certain it is April and not August?

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Francisco Hennessey Jr. HK3W
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 8:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Hello Guys, My qso with 7O1YGF is April 21 of 2000, 21Mhz SSB is valid for DXCC?
73
Siso HK3W

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Francisco "Siso" Hennessey - H K 3 W ---
DXCC Honor Roll
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De: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] En nombre de Lee Jennings
Enviado el: Miércoles, 12 de Agosto de 2009 05:46 p.m.
Para: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Asunto: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Amazing news
73, Lee ZL2AL
DXCC Card Checker

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7O1YGF – Yemen
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73 es DX!

Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager

10499. Fw: SP. Bulletin - Date Correction

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 01:11:36 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10499 Message: 10499

Date correction!

From: "Carl Smith" <N4AA@...>
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 4:35 PM
To: <glhuber@...>
Subject: SP. Bulletin - Date Correction

> CORRECTION TO DATES JUST IN:
> ****************************
> Please note that the previous bulletin should have said:
> "7O1YGF - Yemen
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> Operation from April 16, 2000 through April 26, 2000"
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> 73,
> Carl,N4AA
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10500. Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 02:26:59 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10478 Message: 10500

Holy Cow! I never sent for the card either.

I guess I (we) better do that. I hope DJ3XD is still the QSL manager for CW QSO's.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Aug 12, 2009 at 6:20 PM, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

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> Richard DiDonna NN3W
> Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 6:43 PM
> To: dx-qsl@... <dx-qsl%40mailman.qth.net>
> Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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> To: "PVRC" <pvrc@...t <pvrc%40mailman.qth.net>>
> Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 5:34 PM
> Subject: [PVRC] FW: [dx-check:1201] Operation Approved for DXCC Credit
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> > From: Moore, Bill, NC1L [mailto:nc1l@... <nc1l%40arrl.org>]
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10501. RE: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 02:47:16 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10478 Message: 10501

I would wait a bit before sending off for the card. I read in one

post they were working on uploading the logs to LoTW.

Makes a lot of sense, saves a lot of work for all.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: w9sz.zack@...
Date: Wed, 12 Aug 2009 21:26:59 -0500
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

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10502. RE: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 03:05:24 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10478 Message: 10502

Although I have a couple of SSB confirmations, I want a QSL from 7O1YGF for CW. I'm afraid that LoTW won't cut it for me. I don't mind spending several buckeroonskis for a QSL because it is one of the few CW confirmations I need. So my card will be mailed to Germany by the weekend.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 11:47 PM
To: DX List - New
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

I would wait a bit before sending off for the card. I read in one post they were working on uploading the logs to LoTW.
Makes a lot of sense, saves a lot of work for all.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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10503. ZS8T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 03:39:49 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 7661 Message: 10503

Does anyone know how many ZS8T QSOs were made to NA?

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10504. Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 11:52:03 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10478 Message: 10504
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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73 de Brian/K3KO

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10505. Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 14:19:57 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10478 Message: 10505

I'm not on LoTW yet. Plus, I want the card. So off mine went this morning. I think that will put me at 321 or 322 when it arrives.

I'll bet DJ3XD and the other manager(s) are going to be busy for a while!

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10506. Re: Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 15:15:02 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10474 Message: 10506

When they're serving lemons....

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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> At 01:11 AM 8/12/2009, you wrote:
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> >Naw.........
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> >Dale K8TS
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> This sentence was the jest of the article:
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> "Eventually, most will learn some of the Mysteries of the Ages," he
> said, "though understanding may be long in coming. But keep in mind,
> as you may just have indicated, that the young often tend to believe
> that things go on forever. The old realize that there is an end to
> everything, even DX."
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> I understand it, but don't like it! 2-3 years of the flux being
> at 67 might be problematic. :-)
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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10507. Re: [Dx-qsl] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 15:17:09 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10478 Message: 10507

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Although I didn't work this group, it's nice to see the thing finally got ironed out.

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> From: "Glenn Kurzenknabe" <bgkurz@...>
> To: "PVRC" <pvrc@...>
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10508. RE: [DX-IS] Re: [Dx-qsl] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 16:39:11 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10478 Message: 10508

Where is Paul Harvey now that we need him ??

We need to hear ..."the rest of the story"... !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: aburkefl@...
> Date: Thu, 13 Aug 2009 15:17:09 +0000
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: [Dx-qsl] Yemenites rejoice...
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10509. RE: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 16:46:00 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10478 Message: 10509

According to one source, the logs will be uploaded to LoTW within

a week or two.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: w9sz.zack@gmail.com
Date: Thu, 13 Aug 2009 09:19:57 -0500
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...

I'm not on LoTW yet. Plus, I want the card. So off mine went this morning. I think that will put me at 321 or 322 when it arrives.

I'll bet DJ3XD and the other manager(s) are going to be busy for a while!

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Aug 13, 2009 at 6:52 AM, Brian Alsop <alsopb@nc.rr.com> wrote:

Maybe but while you're waiting there is the possibility of a "new one"
being approved. If 70 is your last one, waiting may not be the best option.

73 de Brian/K3KO

RICHARD SOLOMON wrote:

> I would wait a bit before sending off for the card. I read in one
>
> post they were working on uploading the logs to LoTW.
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> Makes a lot of sense, saves a lot of work for all.
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> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: w9sz.zack@...
> Date: Wed, 12 Aug 2009 21:26:59 -0500
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Yemenites rejoice...
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> Holy Cow! I never sent for the card either.
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> I guess I (we) better do that. I hope DJ3XD is still the QSL manager for CW QSO's.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Wed, Aug 12, 2009 at 6:20 PM, Alan Leith <aleith@...link.ca> wrote:
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> OK!! Now I need a card for a new CW country. Where do I send the QSL?
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10510. ARLD032 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 21:37:45 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5555 Message: 10510

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD032
ARLD032 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 32 ARLD032
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT August 13, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD032
ARLD032 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by CE3FZL, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AGALEGA AND ST. BRANDON ISLANDS, 3B6. Rachid, 3B8FQ is QRV as 3B7FQ from St. Brandon Island, IOTA AF-015, until the end of August and possibly into early September while here on work assignment. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct via K5XK.

CYPRUS, 5B. Terry, 5B/G4MKP is QRV from the village of Tsada until August 25. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using mostly CW. QSL via M0URX.

BOTSWANA, A2. Les, W2LPL and Dan, W2DBL will be QRV as A25/W2LPL from August 16 to 19. Activity will be on 20 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL via W2LPL.

CHINA, BY. A group of operators are QRV as BA7IO/4 from Heng Sha Island, IOTA AS-136, until August 17. QSL direct via BA7IO.

NAURU, C2. Dani, EA4ATI will be QRV as C21TI from August 17 to 23. He will eventually be joined by Ruben, C21RK. Activity will be with two stations on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via EA4ATI.

CHILE, CE. Hector, CE3FZL will be QRV as CE2P from the Punta Paneul Lighthouse, ARLHS-073, in San Antonio harbor, on August 15 and 16. Activity will be on 40 meters using SSB. QSL via EA5KB.

URUGUAY, CX. Members of the Radio Club Uruguayo are QRV as CW1R until August 16 from the Punta del Este Lighthouse, ARLHS URU-008. Activity is with two stations on 80 to 15 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL direct via bureau.

GERMANY, DA. Operators HB9DLO, HB9OMI and HB9SMU are QRV as DL/HB9LH until August 16 from the Schleimunde Lighthouse, ARLHS FED-217, on Lotsen Island. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via HB9DLO.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Operators EA8DP, EA8CAC, EA8ANE, EA8AZM will be QRV as AO8FLH from Fuerteventura Island, IOTA AF-004, from the La Entallada Lighthouse, ARLHS CAI-041, on Fuerteventura Island, IOTA AF-004, during the International Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend on August 15 and 16. QSL via EA8AKN.

ST. BARTHELEMY, FJ. Operators Gary, W2VQ and Paul, WQ2N will be QRV as FJ/W2VQ and FJ/WQ2N, respectively, from August 18 to 25. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and possible PSK31. QSL via operators' instructions.

PANAMA, HP. Look for special callsign H81L to be QRV from the Canal Miraflores Lock Lighthouse, ARLHS PAN-030, on August 15 and 16. QSL via HP1RCP.

ARGENTINA, LU. Members from the Radio Club Argentino are QRV as LR5D from Martin Garcia Island, IOTA SA-055, until August 17. They plan to activate its lighthouse during the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters, including 70 cm, using CW, SSB and FM. QSL via LU4AA.

MOUNT ATHOS, SV/A. Monk Apollo has been active using RTTY on 20 meters around 1900 to 2130z. QSL direct.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the Turkish Special Wireless Activity Team will be QRV on August 15 and 16 as special event station TC99Y from the Bozburun lighthouse in Yalova and TC99K from the Yelkenkaya lighthouse in Kocaeli to honor the lives lost in the August 1999 earthquake in northwest Turkey. QSL via TA1HZ.

UKRAINE, UR. Several members of the Ternopil amateur radio club are QRV with special event station EM360B until August 18 to remember the battle of Zboriv 360 years ago. QSL via UY5BC.

INDIA, VU. Special event station AT8LHC is QRV until August 16 from the Centenarian Kadalur Point Lighthouse, ARLHS IND-013. Activity is on all bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL via VU2JHM

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Prince Edward and Marion Island, ZS8T, recent operation conducted by ZS6GCM; Yemen, 7O1YGF, operation from April 16 to 26, 2000.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest, North American SSB QSO Party, SARTG World Wide RTTY Contest, the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, NCCC Sprint, Russian District Award Contest, Keyman's Club of Japan CW Contest, Feld Hell Sprint, ARCI Silent Key Memorial CW Sprint and New Jersey QSO Party are all scheduled for this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon

QRP CW Contest is scheduled for August 17. Please see August QST,
page 76, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10511. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-13 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10511

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 13 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 225 Issued at 2200Z on 13 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
and the visible disk remained void of spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low through the period.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels through most of the
period. ACE solar wind measurements indicated velocities gradually
decreased from 369 to 326 km/sec during the period.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at mostly quiet levels during the period (14 - 16
August).
III. Event Probabilities 14 Aug-16 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Aug 067
Predicted 14 Aug-16 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 13 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Aug 002/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 13 Aug 006/005
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 Aug-16 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10512. RE: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 04:53:08 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10474 Message: 10512

Hey Paul,

I am 45 years old and hope that I have a few more solar cycles left in me...

I keep trying to think positive on the current situation, but cricky! How long can it go on?

And now another 34 days without a sunspot, surely the Sun must wake up soon...

Thanks for the QRPer stories, priceless!

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, 12 August 2009 10:08 PM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 06:24:35 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10474 Message: 10513

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 07:11:19 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10474 Message: 10514

Ok John, but I've painted the house 3 times already!

J

Alright...I hear ya...

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
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10515. 7O1YGF and other

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 11:52:32 UTC
From: Jean-Michel Duthilleul
Topic: 10515 Message: 10515

Hi

If you want to see the most (may be?) complete
collection for this most wanted please have look here

http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie2.php?page=topten&pfx=7O

f you have a card which is not on this site, your collaboration is
welcome.

Some, not valide are there

http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie2.php?page=moremiscqsl&pfx=7O

Best wishes

Jean-Michel F6AJA

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73's from Jean Michel F6AJA
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10516. [425ENG] 425 DX News #954

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 16:33:17 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10516 Message: 10516

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3B7 - Rachid, 3B8FQ [425DXN 953] was expected to arrive to St. Brandon (AF-015) around 2 UTC on 12 August. Barring unforeseen circumstances, he now expects to extend his stay on the island, and to be operate as 3B7FQ until sometime on 3 September. Operating time will be shared with Rachid's maintenance responsibilities at the local meteorological station. QSL via K5XK, direct preferred. [TNX K5XK]
9M - Hans, DF5UG (9M2QQ) has been in Malaysia for a few days. On 15-16 August he will participate in the ILLW activity from Cape Rachado Lighthouse (9M4LHN); then, between 19 August and 7 September, he will be travelling to Sarawak (9M8QQ), Sabah (9M6QQ) and Brunei (V85QQ). QSL via home call. [TNX DXNL]
9M2 - Participating stations in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend from West Malaysia include: 9M4LHB (Bukit Melawati Lighthouse, Selangor), 9M4LHC (Tanjung Gelang Lighthouse, Pahang), 9M4LHE (Bukit Jugra Lighthouse, Selangor), 9M4LHJ (Bukit Segenting Lighthouse, Johor), 9M4LHN (Cape Rachado Lighthouse, Melaka) and 9M4LHP (Fort Cornwallis Lighthouse on Penang Island, AS-015).
9M6 - Members of the Borneo Amateur Radio Club will operate as 9M4LHS from the lighthouse on Pulau Layang (also known as Pulau Layangan, OC-133), Sabah, East Malaysia for the ILLW on 15-16 August . This will be a camping and generator operation using 100 watts to vertical or wire antennas on 40-10 metres, mainly SSB, plus 2m FM. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX 9M6DXX]
A2 - Les, W2LPL and Dan, W2DBL will be active as A25/W2LPL from Botswana on 16-19 August. The will operate SSB and PSK-31 on 20 and 40 metres in their spare time. QSL via W2LPL. [TNX The Daily DX]
CT8 - Jan, DL7JAN and Egon, DL2IX will be active as CT8/DL7JAN and CT8/DL2IX from Faial (EU-175), Azores on 21-31 August. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
CX - The Centro de Radioaficionados de Rocha will operate as CW4T from

the lighthouse at Cape Polonio (ARLHS URU-005) on 15-16 August.
Expect activity on 160, 80, 40, 20, 6 and 2 metres. QSL via EA5KB.
[TNX CX2TG]
DL - DF6CQ, DG3XA, DG7TG and DJ5KK will be active on 6 metres as DF0IT
from Helgoland (EU-127, JO34we) during the ILLW. QSL for this
activity via DG7TG. [TNX www.mmmonvhf.de]
DL - Chris, OE3CHC and Mike, OE3MDC will be active as DL/homecall from
Spiekeroog Island (EU-047) on 17-21 August. They will operate
holiday style on 80-20 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home
calls. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
FJ - Gary, W2VQ and Paul, WQ2N will be active as FJ/W2VQ and FJ/WQ2N
from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) on 18-25 August. They plan to operate
CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31 on 80-6 metres. QSL both calls
via WQ2N. [TNX The Daily DX]
GM - Amateur radio operators who are resident in Scotland may apply for
special permission to replace the letter 'M' in their prefix with
'A' (for Alba, the Gaelic name for Scotland) until 30 November, as
part of the "Homecoming Scotland 2009" celebrations
(www.homecomingscotland.com). [TNX 9M6DXX]
IS0 - Giorgio, IZ3KVD says he will be active as IS0/homecall from
Cagliari, Sardinia (EU-024) on 16-31 August. He plans to operate
holiday style on SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call.
LA - Ben, DL7BY will operate mainly CW as LA/DL7BY from Hinnoya
(EU-033) on 15-22 August. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
[TNX DXNL]
LU - Dario, LU3DR will be active as AY0DX from Baliza Espigon Este
(ARLHS ARG-114) for the ILLW. He plans to operate SSB on 80, 40,
20 and 17 metres. QSL via LU3DR. [TNX LU3DR]
OZ - Ric, DL2VFR will be active as OZ0FR/p from Vesborg Fyr lighthouse
(ARLHS DEN-046) on Samso Island (EU-172) fom 22 August to 4
September. CW is his preferred mode. QSL via DL2VFR, direct or
bureau. [TNX DL2VFR]
PA - Promoting the World Statues Festival that will take place in
Arnhem at the end of the month, Fred, PA0FAW will be active as
PA09WSF on 14-30 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX
K1XN]
SP - Look for special station SN2NP to be active from the historic
lighthouse at Gdansk Nowy Port on 14-16 August. QSL via SP2BIK.
[TNX SP2BIK]
TA - In recognition of their key role in emergency communications, the
Turkish IARU member society, TRAC, has been invited take part in
the official Memorial Event for the tragic earthquake that struck
northwestern Turkey on 17 August 1999. Special event station TC17A
is expected to be active from around 16 UTC on 16 August until at
least 1 UTC on the 17th. Look for activity on 40 and 20 metres
mainly SSB, and on 30 metres CW and PSK. [TNX www.iaru-r1.org/]
VE - Cezar, VE3LYC announces that his VY0O operation from the Ottawa
Islands (NA-230) [425DXN 953] has been re-scheduled again, and is
hoped to take place from 31 August to 3 September. [TNX MM0NDX]
W - Alan, WD4AC will be operating portable from Core Banks (NA-067) on

19-22 August. Activity will be concentrated on 20 metres. QSL
direct to home call. [TNX VA3RJ]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (July 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

DXCC NEWS ---> ZS8T (Prince Edward & Marion Island, operated by ZS6GCM) and 7O1YGF (Yemen, 16-26 April 2000) have been approved for DXCC credit. As for 7O1YGF, this is the official release from Bill Moore, NC1L:
"After reviewing recently-received information regarding the 7O1YGF operation, and after additional dialogue with a leader of the DXpedition, the DXCC desk has approved this operation.
Considering the length of time that has passed since this operation, we ask that DXCC participants who would like to claim credit for 7O1YGF follow the options below:
* Send the 7O1YGF card ONLY to DXCC with a SASE, or return postage if outside the US; DXCC will process the card and applicants will not be charged a submission fee. 7O1YGF cards included with other cards will be handled as part of a normal submission.
* Bring the card to a DXCC Card Checker. The card checker will forward the confirmation to the DXCC desk for processing. Again, there will be no submission fee if this is a single-card submission. You must fill out an application form, however.
In all other cases applicants can include their QSL card with their next submission, and it will be handled normally. We will work with the 7O1YGF team to use Logbook of the World if possible.
Remember, the cutoff date for the 2009 DXCC Annual listing and Honor Roll list is December 31, 2009. We encourage applicants to handle this sooner rather than wait until the last minute".

30 METRES ---> The 30 Meter Multi Mode Weekend will be held on 22-23 August to promote experimenting and using different digital modes on that band. Information can be found on the 30 Meter Digital Group's website at http://30mdg.net/Events.html [TNX F5NQL]

QSL 7O1YGF ---> Those who still need a paper QSL card for 7O1YGF can send their request to DJ3XD (he was the original QSL manager for CW QSOs, but now he will handle SSB and RTTY as well). The logs are expected to be uploaded to LoTW within a couple of weeks' time. [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL ZK2V ---> "We are in the process of finalizing the QSL design for ZK2V and expect to have cards in hand in about 6 weeks", N3SL says. "Please be patient and do not re-QSL".

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3DA0DJ GI4FUM EW5WFF EW4DX PA40NTA PA2DTA
3DA0EL GI4FUM EX7MK IK2QPR PA80ZERO PA3CAL
3DA0MH GI4FUM FJ/VE3EY VE3EY PC400BKL PC2F
3DA0MM GI4FUM FO8RZ F8BPN PD55EA PD7BZ
3DA0SS GI4FUM GA3YOR GM3YOR PR6S PY6KW
3DA0TB GI4FUM GA4FDM GM4FDM PX8W PY2WAS
3DA0VA GI4FUM GB111HP G4PLY PY2VA I8LWL
4L4WW EA7FTR GB4WINGS M0XDF R0HQ UA3DX
4L5O N3SL HF5ES SP5ES R3ISS RW3WWW
4L8A K1BV HF65PW SP5KCR R45EFIR RK3PWJ
4U1UN HB9BOU HF90CC SP5PSL S51ZZ NI5DX
5H2PD N2IEN HG8NAVIGA HA8AW SG3U SM3CXS
5K4FF HK4ECG HK1NK EA5KB SM200PAX SK2AT
5K5T HK3JJH HK1X EA7FTR SN0ST SP1PNW
5N0OCH DL3OCH II0DIVA IQ0RM SU8LH SU1SK
7O1YGF DJ3XD IO7Y I0SNY SX2Z HA8UT
7Q7SI JA1PBV IQ8RB/p IZ1CCE SX5SYMI SV5FRI
9A800VZ 9A7A IY1NGM IZ1LBG T6AD K2AU
9G1YK PA3ERA IY6GM I6GFX T6AF WA2EWE
9J2FM JA4ATV J48LH SV3DCX TK8B F8BBL
9K2GS EA5KB J79PAK HB9CUA TM25PON F5KMY
9K2YM EA5KB JD1BLY JI5RPT UE1OLH RK1OZM
9M8DX/2 SP5UAF JD1BNE JE1RXJ UE1RFF/0/P UA1RJ
9Y4SRR KD4UDU JU85TTC JT1DN UE3RFF RK3RB
A65BI SM5DJZ JW2PA LA2PA UE4FDA RA4FJV
A71CT EA7FTR K9AJ/VY0 K9AJ UE9OFF/9 RZ9OC
AM5FUV EA5FL KD6WW/VY0 KD6WW UE9ONV RA9ODR
AN5FUV EA5FL LA2NK DL5ME VC1W VE3EXY
AO5FUV EA5FL LM9K75Y LA9K VP8NX GM3ITN
AT8LHC VU2JHM LU3DFJ EA5KB VP8VK G4RFV
C37NL C37URA LX8RTTY LX1DA W1T W1GLO
CE1TT EA5KB LY20BY LY3BY W3GRX/KH2 JJ3GRX
CN2UM EA5UM LY20QT LY2QT WH0DX JM1LJS
CO6XN N3ZOM LY20W LY5W XE1REW XE1MW
CP1XRM EA5RM LY20X LY3X XR6B CE6AMN
CR6A CT1GFK LZ02WFF LZ1PJ YB1AQB DJ3KR
CT2HXM F4TTR LZ50BNT LZ1HA YB3ASM JH7NTJ
CX1AA W3HNK M6ONL/p ON3WAB YI9HOC K2AX
D80Y 6K5YPD MA0XAU MM0XAU YP0IP YO8TLC
DL/HB9LH HB9DLO N6P W6AJF YR1A YO3JR

DP9S DK8ZM NH0DX/NH2 JL3RDC Z21SI JA1PBV
DR60NATO DL1WH OD5SK IZ8CLM Z29KM EA7FTR
DR800GRZ DL1ARJ OH0/OH2DXF OH2BR Z30V DJ0LZ
E51EME ZL1RS OH0BR OH2BR ZD8RH G4DBW
EG2LB EA3RKR OJ0B OH2BH ZL30MDG ZL3RG
EG5FUV EA5FL OJ0J OH0RJ ZP5AJR PY4KL
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10518. Re: [DX-IS] [425ENG] 425 DX News #954 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 17:32:45 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10517 Message: 10518

I wonder if this one is finally going to happen? It's the last FR island I haven't worked.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Aug 14, 2009 at 12:07 PM, <425eng@...> wrote:

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10519. ARLP033 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 19:33:22 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5678 Message: 10519

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ARLP033 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 33 ARLP033
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA August 14, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP033 Propagation de K7RA

Another quiet week on the Sun. Last week on Earth we neglected to mention the Perseids meteor shower, which peaked this week on August 12-13. A nice statistical display from the International Meteor Organization is at http://www.imo.net/live/perseids2009/.

A look at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html on August 13 showed possible heightened geomagnetic activity returning around August 18-19, with a planetary A index of 20 and 12, respectively.

Geophysical Institute Prague expects quiet conditions August 14, unsettled August 15, quiet August 16-17, unsettled August 18, quiet to unsettled for August 19 and quiet on August 20 The predicted planetary A index from the Space Weather Prediction Center for those same dates is 5, 5, 5, 5, 20, 12 and 8. Check the link in the previous paragraph to see if the forecast changes and is updated.

The autumnal equinox is less than 40 days from now, to occur on September 22 at 2118z. Even if there are no sunspots, we should see a shift and seasonal improvement compared to summer. Comparing the first day of fall to mid-July, 20 meter conditions from New England to the Czech Republic shows an end to openings during the evening on the USA end, and daytime openings shifting to earlier hours. The July 20 meter opening from 1930-0200z shifts to 1330-2200z in September. 17 meters shows very little chance of propagation over the same path in summer, but in fall opens 1330z to 1900z.

A similar shift occurs on the West Coast. From California to Japan, in summer the 20 meter opening is in local nighttime at the W6 end, strongest 0630-1030z. In the fall it happens earlier, 2200-0330z. On 17 meters over the same path, signals are much stronger in the fall, with openings around 2200-0230z.

Jim Spears, N1NK of Tiverton, Rhode Island, wrote to comment on the current sporadic-E season, which he noted should be winding down. Jim says he hasn't seen much sporadic-e activity, and checked six meters most days, but June was very good for him into Europe. Jim wrote, ''With a 5 element Yagi at 40 feet and THP 1.5Kfx amp I improved my distance record to the east by working 4X4DK, DK1MAX, and OE5D as new ones. A number of other new ones in EU (mostly southern) and Caribbean along with 8R1TO and PV8ADI in South America were also worked leaving me with a current total of 73 worked and 67 confirmed, all via Es. I also failed to work any west coast US stations, something that has been a regular occurrence the past few years''.

Jim noted that July was extremely wet and stormy in New England, and doesn't know if this is coincidental, but he saw little six meter propagation to anywhere. ''It seemed that the propagation was completely skipping over or bypassing us. There were very few moments when I would hear any signal on the band at all''.

In an email Jim received from Mick, W1JJ, also in Rhode Island, but with a better antenna system, the 6 meter E season was about average for Mick, who has been active on 6 meters for 50 years. He worked 3 new countries, bringing his 6 meter total to 186. Mick says openings were slow in May, much better in June, but he had only a couple of good openings to Europe. In July he worked 4X4, SV, SV9, SV5, OD, TZ and TA. To the west, he had a couple of good openings to W6 and one to KH6. He sent along an audio file of JA7QVI on six meters, who was quite loud, and the only JA he worked in the past couple of years. Mick worked him at 2258z on July 8. In the Six Meters Marathon he totaled 94 countries from the first week in May through August 3.

Pat Dyer, WA5IYX of San Antonio, Texas wrote about digital television vs. the old analog system and its usefulness as an indicator of VHF propagation. ''Some have had much more luck than myself at decoding DTV via Es, but here are two samples of my best, http://www.qsl.net/wa5iyx/images/wbra-dt-3.1z.jpg (1187 mi) and http://www.qsl.net/wa5iyx/images/whbf-dt-4.1z.jpg (950 mi)''.

''A vivid example of what was available on low-VHF TV for Es from here vs. now on DTV is shown on these maps http://www.qsl.net/wa5iyx/lovesavd.htm. A prime problem in getting DTV Es decoded stems from the system's intolerance for co-channel signals (unless one is dominant by 15 db). Many a time the 54.310 MHz DTV pilots can be heard on my FT-847 as a mixture of signals with a 4-Hz beat rate (note how many US DTV Ch 2 stations are to my NW-N, and can come in simultaneously). Ch 5, with the most US DTV stations of any low- VHF channel, has been occupied by ''local'' KCWX-DT-5 (23kw ERP at c. 50 mi) since Jul 1. Rapid QSB and multipath (ghosting common on Es) also contribute to complicating any decodes. Also, unlike with NTSC, the entire 6-MHz wide channel of data needs to be in well for ATSC to work - if the Es MUF is

''sharp'' you're doomed, where with NTSC video without audio was not uncommon''.

Ken Miller, K6CTW of Rancho Cucamonga, California also wrote this week. ''Although this is now over 2 weeks old, I did want to let you know that I was able to work the VK9NI DXpedition on 40 CW while commuting to work here in Southern California. Since I'm only running about 60 watts I found it amazing that I was able to ''make the trip''. They must have had some super ops and a great antenna on 40 but never the less, conditions do seem to be holding in the early morning here to the Western pacific. I hear all sorts of DX on when I'm driving in, and it really makes the commute bearable''.

So nice to hear of good results from a modest setup. Since a standard mobile antenna would only be about one-sixteenth wavelength on 40 meters, running 100 watts into a much more efficient half-wave dipole from home should surely net a contact with Norfolk Island.

Ken along with Chip Margelli, K7JA, were the heroes who demonstrated Morse code speed and efficiency by beating a champion text messager (or is that messenger?) in a contest on the Tonight Show in 2005. Many have seen it, but you can watch it again at http://www.kkn.net/~n6tv/Text_vs_Morse_Leno_2005_05_13.wmv. In light of financial travails of the past couple of years, pay special attention to the comments by the YL that Jay Leno interviews at the start of the segment.

July 31 Propagation Bulletin ARLP031 mentioned Kai Siwiak, KE4PT and his Secret Ham Message, linked from the page at http://www.qrz.com/ke4pt/. Kai wasn't expecting the puzzle's mention in the bulletin, and reported an overwhelming response from readers who solved the problem.

Now that two weeks have passed, we can mention a clue to folks who didn't quite get it, like the author of this bulletin. Yes, you can use standard techniques for solving simple ciphers, such as counting the occurrence of each character, ranking them, then solving by examining the frequency of occurrence for each letter of the English language. This assumes it is in English, which it is, but there is an easier way for CW operators to solve this. Contemplate the page visually, then think of Morse. Don't quite see it? Look again.

CW operators' ears perk up when Morse code appears in motion picture soundtracks, and various online forums and websites over the years have listed films containing telegraphy. One is http://www.qsl.net/e20tcm/morse.html, a Thai website from Jeerasak Pitiwatsakul, E20TCM, which reproduces data from the now defunct Morse Goes to the Movies site.

Early Thursday morning I ran across another film with Morse, but this time only in the soundtrack, seemingly unrelated to the action on the screen. I checked out a DVD from the public library, the

mid-eighties movie ''Runaway Train''
(http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0089941/) and I might have missed the
Morse, except I was wearing headphones.

Forty minutes into the movie, there is a scene in a railway control
room that was supposed to look hi-tech at the time. Perhaps it was
an attempt to lend a sort of authenticity for the audience, but the
audio contains various bleeps and blurps under the dialog, as the
characters stare into old monochrome CRT monitors in horror. I
nearly fell off the couch between minute 40:10 and 40:15 when I
heard, ''DE K7VVV''. K7VVV happens to be my callsign before K7RA, and
now held by a ham in California. However, at the time the movie was
produced my call was KT7H, so I claim no connection. Perhaps others
will hear DE KZVVV instead, but as my mind attempts to construct
patterns from many sensory inputs, it tends to fall back on familiar
patterns.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers,
email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL
Technical Information Service at
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed
explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past
propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve
overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this
bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for August 6 through 12 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0
with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 66.8, 67.8, 67, 67.2, 67.1,
66.6, and 66.5 with a mean of 67. Estimated planetary A indices
were 14, 8, 4, 8, 4, 4 and 5 with a mean of 6.7. Estimated
mid-latitude A indices were 8, 8, 2, 6, 3, 2 and 2 with a mean of
4.4.
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10520. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-14 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10520

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 226 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels throughout the forecast period (15 -
17 August).
III. Event Probabilities 15 Aug-17 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 Aug 068
Predicted 15 Aug-17 Aug 067/067/067
90 Day Mean 14 Aug 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 13 Aug 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 14 Aug 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 15 Aug-17 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 15 Aug-17 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10521. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-15 02:20:31 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10474 Message: 10521

Paul;

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Sent: Wednesday, 12 August 2009 10:08 PM
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10522. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-15 03:29:58 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10474 Message: 10522

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73 John K1ER
ex W0DAD et al
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10523. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-15 04:13:17 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10474 Message: 10523

I don't know if this is complete as far as Cass's work but quite a few are here:

http://www.geocities.com/k2cddx/dxstories.html

There are some WCDXB's there but not a complete set of those.

Also more of Paul's stories too.

73, Bob

K2TK ex KN2TKR & K2TKR

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Date: 2009-08-15 12:35:34 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10474 Message: 10524

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I have the complete set of WCDXBs. All 550 original issues sent to me by WA6AUD on the promise I would keep them safe. Every single issue from 1968 until 1979. The only time they left my possession was at Cass' request to loan them to K1TN as reference material when he was researching for his book "YASME The Danny Weil and Colvin Radio Expeditions" - ISBN: 0-87259-893-4. That book is a must read for anyone interested in the history of DXing. K1TN has since returned them and they are safety stored.

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10525. XV2PS - Vietnam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-15 13:58:46 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10525 Message: 10525

XV2PS heard on 20M PSK-31 this morning at 1315.... 339 (not very good print... just the call sign and a few recognizable words) but still DX!

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

10526. FT5WO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-15 15:15:01 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10526 Message: 10526

It looks like FT5WO was active early this morning. (sh/dx FT5WO) If anyone has any recent success stories regarding FT5WO, please contact me directly as I'm looking for number 342!

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10527. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-15 13:53:29 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10474 Message: 10527

Paul, regarding the potential size of of 550 WCDXB scanned, I've found that scanning documents to Word 2007 and then saving them to PDF and "publishing" them for internet results in a significant compression. Still a significant effort.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2009 7:35 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

At 01:13 AM 8/15/2009, you wrote:
>I don't know if this is complete as far as Cass's work but quite a few
>are here:
>
> http://www.geocities.com/k2cddx/dxstories.html
>
>There are some WCDXB's there but not a complete set of those.
>
>Also more of Paul's stories too.
>
>73, Bob
>
>K2TK ex KN2TKR & K2TKR

I have the complete set of WCDXBs. All 550 original issues sent to me by WA6AUD on the promise I would keep them safe. Every single issue from 1968 until 1979. The only time they left my possession was at Cass' request to loan them to K1TN as reference material when he was researching for his book "YASME The Danny Weil and Colvin Radio Expeditions" - ISBN: 0-87259-893-4. That book is a must read for anyone interested in the history of DXing. K1TN has since returned them and they are safety stored.

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10528. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-15 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10528

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 15 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 227 Issued at 2200Z on 15 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 14/2100Z
to 15/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 14/2100Z to 15/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels during days 1 - 2 (16 - 17 August).
Activity is expected to increase to unsettled levels on day 3 (18
August) as a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream begins to
disturb the field.
III. Event Probabilities 16 Aug-18 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 15 Aug 068
Predicted 16 Aug-18 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 15 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 14 Aug 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 15 Aug 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 16 Aug-18 Aug 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 16 Aug-18 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10529. CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-16 18:17:11 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10529 Message: 10529

All CW between 17:16 and 18:04, 6 consecutive QSOs. SFI=68, A=3, K=1

ZD8RH (AF - 17M)
KH7XS (OC - 20M)
W3DF (NA - 20M)
LX1NO (EU - 20M)
A61Q (AS - 20M)
PY2SP (SA - 17M)

(Yes, I'm bored!)

73, Paul VE1DX

10530. Re: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-16 18:59:58 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 10529 Message: 10530

Paul,
When the WAC started, it was harder on LF and spark.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2009 8:17 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes

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(Yes, I'm bored!)

73, Paul VE1DX

10531. Re: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-16 19:08:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10529 Message: 10531

At 03:59 PM 8/16/2009, you wrote:

>Paul,
>When the WAC started, it was harder on LF and spark.
>
>73 John K1ER

I'm using spark (I said CW because it is Morse Code and the new
comers intermix them.) I thought everyone used spark. I have a coil
out of a 1948 Ford truck as the main component. Same year you were licensed!

It works on all bands w/o retuning!

73, Paul VE1DX

10532. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #921

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-16 20:28:33 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10532 Message: 10532

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August 17, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th-August, through Sunday, 16th-August there were 204 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B7, ST. BRANDON ISLAND. Ron, K5XK, updates OPDX that Rachid, 3B8FQ, has departed Mauritius for St. Brandon Island (AF-015) on Tuesday last week and was expected to be active as 3B7FQ on Wednesday, August 12th, after arriving around 0200z. However, as of press time no QSNs have been reported. According to Ron, barring unforeseen circumstances, Rachid now expects to extend his trip, operating until sometime on September 3rd, when the ship departs for 3B8. Remember, operating time will be shared

with Rachid's maintenance responsibilities at the St. Brandon meteoro-
logical station. Look for him on all bands, 30-10 meters, although Rachid
expects 40 and 20 meters to be most productive. See OPDX.920 for suggested
frequencies. He will use both CW and SSB, as conditions allow. Courtesy of
Carl, K9LA, the following propagation predictions for August HF conditions
to North America, Europe, and Japan, were made available (all times UTC):

Area	80m	40m	30m	20m	17m	15m
NA	....	1300-1700	2000-0400	0200-0500	1300-1700	....
	2100-0300					
EU	1600-0200	1300-0400	1300-0400	0300-0700	0700-1600	0400-1900
	1000-2300					
JA	1300-0100	1100-0200	1000-0300	0100-2200	0200-1700	0200-1400

NO PROPAGATION for NA on 12 and 10 meters
EU - 12m (0700-1500) and 10m (1100-1200)
JA - 12m (0400-1200) and 10m (0600-1000)

QSL all of Rachid's operations via K5XK, direct preferred, as indicated
on QRZ.com

5B, CYPRUS (Update). Terence, G4MKP, will be active as 5B/G4MKP from Tsada
village near Pafos between August 14-25th. Activity will be mainly CW/RTTY
on 80-10 meters. Look for him during the mornings and evenings on CW/RTTY,
and if he can figure out how to do it, SSB also. Suggested CW frequencies
are around 7010, 14010, 21010 and 28020 kHz. RTTY anywhere in the band
segment. QSL via M0URX, direct or via E-mail request for a bureau QSL.
LoTW will be uploaded after the operation.

5Z, KENYA. Ernie, W8EH, informs OPDX that his brother Steve, W8SMH, has
just received his Kenyan license. He will active from Nairobi, Kenya, for
the next 3 years. His Kenyan callsign is 5Z4/W8SMH. Steve is on assignment
with the Salvation Army as second in command at their headquarters in
Nairobi. His travel schedule may limit his operating, and he is a rookie
at DX operations (So please be patient!). His other limiting factor is
that Nairobi is experiencing power shortages and as a result they are
doing rolling blackouts 2 or 3 days a week in his area. His equipment is
an Icom IC-718, dipoles and a multiband vertical. QSL direct to his home
callsign (QRZ.com) with an IRC or SASE. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW
and eQSL. His blog is at: http://howardskenyanadventures.blogspot.com/
Kenyan club site: http://www.qsl.net/arsk

9H, MALTA (EU-023). Wim, PA2AM, will be active as 9H3DZ between September
4-14th. Activity will be active mostly on 30/17/12 meters using CW and
RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

A3, TONGA (News). OPDX contacted Paul, A35RK, this past week to make
sure Paul and his family were not on board the "Princess Ashika" which
capsized last Wednesday, 86km northeast of the Tongan capital of
Nuku'alofa. Some 93 people are presumed drowned after being trapped
in the vessel. Paul informed OPDX that "We're all OK, but the whole
country is dressing in mourning clothes. The search team found the wreck

yesterday, using sonar, but its too deep (110M) to dive to it. I don't know if there will be a further attempt to recover the remains of the 94 souls trapped on board. I'm not sure where you folks in the States are getting the news, but we're looking at: http://www.matangitonga.to http://www.nzherald.co.nz
Again, we appreciate your concern."
ADDED NOTES FROM PAUL (August 16th): Paul states that he just got a telephone call from Dave, W6ZL, and here's what he said:
"He arrived in Nuku'alofa late last night. He will only be able to stay in Tonga until Tuesday, August 18th, departing at 10am.

He said that it was pouring rain and the power was out, so he didn't know if he could get an antenna up and get on the air today. If he isn't QRV today, then A35KL won't be QRV at all this trip.

Dave said that he was only able to make 1 contact as YJ0ZL. The Tanna Island generator only ran for a couple of hours per day.

Dave said that he will be back in Tonga later this year, but he has no definite return date set."

C2, NAURU. By the time you read this the C21TI DXpedition by Dani, EA4ATI/9M2TI, and should be on the air until August 23rd. According to his Web page, Dani seems to be alone on this operation. The Web page states he will be staying at the "OD-N Aiwo Hotel", were previous DX-peditions have operated from, and he asks for patience especially on CW where he is not an expert. There is a chance he may meet C21RK. Activity will be on all HF bands including 60m and 6m. The suggested frequencies mentioned (as of now) are:
CW - 1825.5, 3505, 7005, 10110, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025
SSB - 1825.5, 3799, 7065, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
60m - 5403.05 (SSB)
6m - 50.115 MHz (CW/SSB)
QSL via EA4ATI (see details on QRZ.com or the Web below). Look for possible updates on the Web page at: http://c21ti.madrono.net/index.html

C6, BAHAMAS. Once again operators Pete/W2GJ, Ed/K3IXD, Dallas/W3PP and Randy/K4QO will operate as C6APR in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Operator/Two-Transmitters (M/2) entry from the Crooked Island Lodge (Grid FL22), Crooked Island, The Bahamas. The team will be active from October 22-26th. Before and after the contest, look for C6AQO on HF CW and SSB, and C6AXD on HF RTTY. Both C6AQO and C6AXD will be on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12m bands. All the QSOs are good for IOTA NA-113 and ARLHS lighthouse BAH-005. All QSLs via K3IXD.

CM1, CUBA. Fred, CM2IR, informs OPDX that he has been working tropospheric ducts on VHF (145.500 MHz) from Cuba (IOTA NA-015, GRID LOC: EL83TC) since August 11th and will continue until August 20th. He is using a collinear antenna and 50 watts. QSL is preferred DIRECT (1 USD or IRC) using the QRZ.com address.

CR3, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Jose, CT1BOH, will be using the special callsign CR3E during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. All QSOs will be uploaded into LoTW or QSL via CT1BOH direct. See his station at: http://www.qsl.net/ct1boh

DXCC NEWS. If you missed special OPDX bulletin (OPDX.920.1) Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
7O1YGF Yemen; Operation from April 16-26th, 2000; See special details in OPDX.920.1 or visit the DXCC's Awards Weblog at: http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards
ZS8T - Prince Edward & Marion Island; Recent operation conducted by ZS6GCM

FO8, FRENCH POLYNESIA (Update). As reported last week Phil, F5PHW, who will be in Tahiti for the next two years starting this month, has received his new callsign on his 40th birthday - FO8RZ. Phil informed OPDX this past week that he has installed the HF6V (GP) antenna last week and plans to be active on 80-10 meters using CW. He states that propagation is very poor especially to Europe and Asia, and he has worked mostly North America stations on 30/20/15 meters. Phil will install a 3 elements beam 6 meters up at the end of August and a dipole for 80/40m. He adds, "I have many trees in the garden, so it's difficult to find a good place for antenna. The online log is 'OK' on my Web site <http://f5phw.chez.com/> and it will be updated every week or more. QSL is now 'OK' on LoTW. I received the authorization from ARRL yesterday (August 14th). The log will be sent every week or more to LoTW. QSL is also 'OK' via F8BPN, either direct or via the French Ref-Union Bureau. QSLs are not printed yet."

GA/MA/2A, SCOTLAND (Special Prefix). Look for some Scottish amateurs to use a special prefix until November 30th, to celebrate "The Year of Homecoming". Only Scottish amateurs can replace the letter "M" in their prefix for the letter "A" (for ALBA) after they apply for a callsign variation (ex. GM4FDM = GA4FDM, GM4AGL = GA4AGL, 2M0AAW = 2A0AAW... etc.). To celebrate Homecoming Scotland 2009, have a look at: http://www.homecomingscotland.com

HB9, SWITZERLAND (Special Event). Members of the Tera Radio Club (HB9OK) <http://www.hb9ok.ch> will be activating the special callsign HB9VELO during the month of September. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL Manager is HB9OCR. Their activity is to promote the cycling "UCI Road World Championships" being held in Mendrisio between September 23-27th. For more details, see: http://www.mendrisio09.ch
The Tera Radio Club is organizing an award; more details are expected.

HL9, SOUTH KOREA. Mike, KE7WRJ, will be here for over 2 months starting September 9th. He plans to be active as HL9QST no later than the 11th. His tentative schedule is to operate from 4 different locations in South Korea as follows: September 10-12th: Seoul
September 14-24th: Camp Casey
September 25th-October 18th: Camp Humphreys
October 19-29th: Camp Carroll
October 30th-November 13th: Seoul

Activity will be on 40-10 meters, depending on the propagation, using CW and SSB. Look for him to be in both the Extra and General portions of the bands. His Equipment will consist of a 5000A by Flex Radio, a 3 element Yagi in a Bag from Super Antennas. QSL via KE7WRJ.

INTERESTING WEB SITE OF THE WEEK! "Club Log" is a web-based application which uses a database to analyzes amateur radio log files which are uploaded in the common ADIF format. Using the logs, it is possible to build band-mode league tables of amateurs' QSOs, provide efficient log search tools and create most wanted lists for DXCC entities (both over all time and in recent history, or by mode for example). Also, "Club Log" can give back to its users the ability to find "wanted" DX spots, and other analysis of their logs which might be hard to do with normal logging software. More information at: http://www.clublog.org

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-011. Kevan, 2E0WMG, will be active from St. Agnes, Scilly Isles (WAB SV80), September 22-23rd. Activity will be on 80/40/20 meters SSB only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-038. Operators Ben/DO1BEN and YL Barbara/DO1IQ will be active as PD/homecalls from Texel Island (WLOTA LH 0043) between October 16-22nd. Activity will be on the HF bands, propagation permit-ting. QSL via their home callsigns, the Bureau is preferred.

EU-088. Bernd, DL8AAV, will be active as OZ/DL8AAV/p from Laeso Island (DIA NK-003) between September 14-26th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-174. Kostas, SV2MAC, will be active as SV2MAC/8 from Samothraki Island between now and August 30th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-010. Duane, WV2B (VA1ZZ), informs OPDX that he will be active from Cape Breton Island between August 17-23rd. He will activate as many lighthouses and Canadian Islands Award islands as possible during his visit. Suggested frequencies are: between 14260-14270 and 7180-7190 kHz. On August 24th, Duane will visit Sable Island (CY0) for a day trip, however authorities will not give him permission to bring radio equipment.

NA-029. George, K3GV, will be active as K3GV/VY2 from Prince Edward Island (CIA PE-001) between September 1-28th. Activity will be on 15 and 20 meters around the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-067. Alan, WD4AC, will be active as WD4AC/p from Core Banks between August 19-22nd. Activity will be concentrated on 20 meters. QSL direct to his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For August 17-23rd).....
Aug 17 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Aug 18 AN ---------------
Aug 19 HN-AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 20 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 21 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
Aug 22 AN ---------------------
Aug 23 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY/NEWS.....................
Members of the Associacao de Radioamadores da Vila de Moscavide (ARVM)
signed CT1RVM/p during ILLW 2009, for the first time from within the
premises of Forte de Santa Marta in Cascais (ILLW PT-0006, ARLHS POR052).
This activity is also valid for the Portuguese Lighthouse Award (DFP
FES06) and the Portuguese Castles and Fortresses Award (DCFP-F097).
QSL will be sent 100% via the Bureau to confirm all contacts. Visit
their Web page at: http://www.arvm.org/index.illw2009.html

Members of the Radio Club of Panama (HP1RCP) and Panama Canal Amateur
Radio Association (PCARA) activated the Miraflores Lock's Lighthouse
(PAN-030) in the Panama Canal using the special callsign H81L during
the ILLW this past weekend. QSL via HP1RCP. Visit the following Web
page to see a picture of the lighthouse at:
http://www.geocities.com/canallights2000/miraflorespics.html

Members of the "LIGHTHOUSE AMATEUR RADIO ALLIANCE" operated during the
ILLW this past weekend from "Station J", the WWII designation of the
JUPITER INLET LIGHT HOUSE (USA-025). The callsign was K4LRA. QSL via
K4LRA, using the QRZ.com address, or W4TBB.

Members of the Papakura Radio Club Inc have participated in the Inter-
national Lighthouse/lightship Weekend with the callsign ZL6LH. Since
1998 they have almost always been at a different location. This past
weekend they were active from East Cape Lighthouse. Look for a video
to be on the Web linked to: http://www.qsl.net/zl1vk
QSL via ZL1VK, by the Bureau or direct to: Papakura Radio Club,
PO Box 72-397, Papakura, New Zealand. Visit their ZL6LH Web page
at: http://www.qsl.net/zl1vk/ZL6LHIndex.html

PA09, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Fred, PA0FAW, will use the special
event callsign PA09WSF until August 30th. Activity is to celebrate the
"World Statues Festival" in Arnhem <http://www.worldstatues.nl/> which
takes place between August 29-30th. A special QSL will be issued and
will be available via the Bureau, direct, e-qsl and LoTW, and of course
SWLs 100%.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
5R8KD QSL STATUS. Wayne, W5KDJ, reports that he has received 2000
cards from UX5UO and will start working on the 325 SASEs he has received.

7O1YGF QSLS. It has been reported that those who still need a 7O1YGF QSL can send their request to August, DJ3XD. August was the original QSL Manager for all CW QSOs. However, he will now handle SSB and RTTY QSOs as well. It was also announced that the 7O1YGF logs are expected to be uploaded to LoTW within a couple of weeks.

IRC AVAILABLE. Dick, N7RO, has some IRCs for sale at 1.50 USDs while the supply lasts. You can E-mail him to assure that he still has some left. His E-mail address is: n7ro@...

NO LONGER THE QSL MANAGER. Erik, K5WW, advised OPDX readers that as of August 15, 2009, he is no longer QSL Manager for P40L (and P4/W6LD).

ONLINE LOGS AVAILABLE. A log search for BA4ALC/4, BA7IO/4, BA8AG/4, BD4QH/4, BD7JSQ/4 and BG4ENK/4 from Hengsha Island (AS-136) is now available at: http://www.qrz.cn/2009hengsha

PIRATE ALERT. Paul, ZL2CQ, reports that a PIRATE station on 80m was active this past weekend signing ZL2BHE/mm, calling CQ, giving his name as Peter on a commercial fishing boat and operating around 3630-3700 kHz. The callsign actually belongs to David Walker in Wellington, NZ. Paul personally knows this family.

ZK2V QSL STATUS. The ZK2V team is in the process of finalizing the QSL design for the ZK2V QSL and expects to have cards in hand in about 6 weeks. Please be patient and do NOT re-QSL.

QSLS VIA LOTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: CE9/K2ARB, CT1ANO, CT3FQ, CT4NH, CU3EQ, D44TXO, EA1GAR, EA8YT, EI7IX, EX8M, G4DEZ, GM4NFC, GM4WJA, HZ1FS/P, I4EAT, MM0AMW, ON4IQ, P43A, RG9A, UK9AA, V29JKV, VK9GMW, VY0A, WP2B and XW1B

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

TA3, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Izmir Konak Branch of TRAC, which is the biggest HAM club in Turkey, will be active as TA3KM during the 78th Izmir International Fair between August 28th and September 6th. The club will be there to promote amateur radio activities. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY, between 1300-2000z. For more details, visit the following links:
Izmir International Fair: http://ief.izfas.com.tr
TRAC Izmir Konak Branch web page: http://www.ta3km.org

VU, INDIA. Charly, VU3CHE (K4VUD), will be in India in September. He informs OPDX that his on-the-air plans are not yet determined. Stay tuned!

WH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kuro, AL5A (JH0MGJ), will be active as AL5A/WH0 from Saipan Island (OC-086), Northern Mariana Islands (KH0), between August 28-31st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. He plans to listen especially for "weak" European stations. QSL direct to JA7JEC. Send Bureau QSLs to the JARL Bureau to JH0MGJ.

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10533. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-16 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10533

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 228 Issued at 2200Z on 16 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 15/2100Z
to 16/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected
and the visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 15/2100Z to 16/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels throughout the summary
period.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels on day 1 (17 August). An increase to
quiet to unsettled levels is expected on day 2 (18 August) as a
recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS) begins to disturb
the field. A further increase to unsettled to active levels (with a
slight chance for minor storm levels) is expected on day 3 (19
August) as the CH HSS persists.
III. Event Probabilities 17 Aug-19 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 16 Aug 069
Predicted 17 Aug-19 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 16 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 15 Aug 001/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 16 Aug 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 17 Aug-19 Aug 005/005-007/007-015/020
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 Aug-19 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/30
Minor storm 01/01/10
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10534. Re: CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-17 10:59:47 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10529 Message: 10534

Several years ago a friend of mine had several videos that appeared to have been programs at a large club up the east coast. One of them was a really OT who put together a spark-gap station using modern equipment. It was both interesting and humorous.

The guy said one of the problems back then was you had to be really careful you didn't set your shack on fire!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
>
> At 03:59 PM 8/16/2009, you wrote:
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>
> >Paul,
> >When the WAC started, it was harder on LF and spark.
> >
> >73 John K1ER
>
> I'm using spark (I said CW because it is Morse Code and the new
> comers intermix them.) I thought everyone used spark. I have a coil
> out of a 1948 Ford truck as the main component. Same year you were licensed!
>
> It works on all bands w/o retuning!
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

10535. Atlas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-17 16:27:06 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10535 Message: 10535

Until just recently, I had a copy of the DX'ers World Atlas. It had a yellow jacket, with geographic index and locations. Each page gave a different area of the world and had the call signs located on the map. Was about 16 pages, and I think it was published by some German guy. Mine was recently destroyed (that is another subject) and I can't seem to find a place to purchase a new one. Checked ARRL and RSGB but nil.

Anybody know, see, hear, etc...

TIA

Dale K8TS

10536. Re: [DX-IS] Atlas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-17 18:18:06 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 10535 Message: 10536

Dale, it's one of the first two aids I recommend to new DXers. The actual name is Radio Amateurs World Atlas. A current ARRL DXCC listing is of course the other.

Try http://tinyurl.com/dxatlas. The ARRL stock number is 5226. I also found it in the AES online catalog. I did not check with either to see if it is actually in stock though.

73 de Peg KB9LIE

--- On Mon, 8/17/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

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Anybody know, see, hear, etc...

TIA
Dale K8TS

10537. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-17 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10537

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 229 Issued at 2200Z on 17 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk remained void of spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels on day 1 (18
August) as a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS)
begins to disturb the field. A further increase to unsettled to
active levels, with a slight chance for minor storm levels, is
expected on day 2 (19 August) as the CH HSS persists. Activity is
expected to decrease to quiet to unsettled levels on day 3 (20
August) as the CH HSS subsides.
III. Event Probabilities 18 Aug-20 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 Aug 068
Predicted 18 Aug-20 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 17 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 Aug 000/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 Aug 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 Aug-20 Aug 007/007-015/015-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Aug-20 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/30/25
Minor storm 01/10/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10538. Re: CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 12:45:34 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10529 Message: 10538

I think that was Ed "Red" Reddington, W4ZM (my Elmer). He is SK, but his son is still active in Wilmington, NC

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

Hillsborough, NC - FM06kb

<mailto:wd4elg@...> wd4elg@...

<http://wd4elg.net> http://wd4elg.net

<http://wd4elg.net> http://wd4elg.blogspot.com

10539. Re: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 13:32:41 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10529 Message: 10539

It works on all bands at once!

Have you gotten ozone poisoning yet?
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Aug 16, 2009 at 2:08 PM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> At 03:59 PM 8/16/2009, you wrote:
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>
> Paul,
> When the WAC started, it was harder on LF and spark.
>
> 73 John K1ER
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>
> I'm using spark (I said CW because it is Morse Code and the new comers
> intermix them.) I thought everyone used spark. I have a coil out of a 1948
> Ford truck as the main component. Same year you were licensed!
>
> It works on all bands w/o retuning!
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>
>
>

10540. Re: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 13:40:45 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10529 Message: 10540

At 10:32 AM 8/18/2009, you wrote:

>It works on all bands at once!
>
>Have you gotten ozone poisoning yet?
>:-)
>
>73, Zack W9SZ

Well Jack . . . I don't know the symptoms. There is definitely something wrong with me! Might be ozone. :-)

Bands are good today (relatively speaking, that is.) I don't see anything in the numbers to explain it, but it's been getting better the last few days. Possibly the beginning of the autumn enhancement, although it is early. I hear some pretty strong EU stations on 17 and 20 is wide open to EU right now (13:25 UTC.)

73, Paul VE1DX

10541. Re: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes - Supplemental!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 14:02:49 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10541 Message: 10541

At 10:32 AM 8/18/2009, you wrote:

>It works on all bands at once!
>
>Have you gotten ozone poisoning yet?
>:-)
>
>73, Zack W9SZ

Well Jack . . .

<snip>

Sorry, Zack! After a decade or more I ought to know how to
spell your name correctly. Might be the ozone. CUL OT.

73, Paul VE1DX

10542. Re: Atlas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 14:18:59 UTC
From: Art Burke
Topic: 10535 Message: 10542

The bottom of the front cover shows:

C by DARC Verlag, Baunatal - Callbook Inc., Lakewood NJ

On the inside front cover:

ISBN 3-88692-020-8
Gesamtherstellung:
Hessendruck, Baunatal-Rengershausen

Nachdruck, auch auszugsweise, nur mit
Genehmigung des DARC Verlags!

Printed in Germany

Hope that info helps. I think I bought mine at a hamfest quite some time back. Like so many maps that go back a little, this one is most likely somewhat out of date as well.

Over the last couple of years, if I needed something in the way of a detailed map (related to amateur information) I peruse AC6V.com

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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> Until just recently, I had a copy of the DX'ers World Atlas.Â It had a yellow jacket, with geographic index and locations. Each page gave a different area of the world and had the call signs located on the map.Â Was about 16 pages, and I think it was published by some German guy.Â Mine was recently destroyed (that is another subject) and I can't seem to find a place to purchase a new one.Â Checked ARRL and RSGB but nil.
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> Anybody know, see, hear, etc...
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> TIA
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> Dale K8TS
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10543. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 14:45:27 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 10474 Message: 10543

When I was first licensed in the early 90s I put out a request on rec.ham.dx(?) looking for a copy of 'DX Is!". WA6AUD was kind enough to reply and send me an autographed copy at a very reasonable price. I truly treasure that book and flip through it often. It is great to see that our problems and concerns aren't new and there are answers for the faithful.

73,
--scott

On Sat, Aug 15, 2009 at 9:53 AM, CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M <glhuber@...>wrote:

>
>
> Paul, regarding the potential size of of 550 WCDXB scanned, I've found that
> scanning documents to Word 2007 and then saving them to PDF and "publishing"
> them for internet results in a significant compression. Still a significant
> effort.
>
> 73,
>
> Gary - AB9M
>
> *From:* Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
> *Sent:* Saturday, August 15, 2009 7:35 AM
> *To:* DX IS! <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Maybe this applies to some of us!
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>
>
> At 01:13 AM 8/15/2009, you wrote:
>
> >I don't know if this is complete as far as Cass's work but quite a few
> >are here:
> >
> > http://www.geocities.com/k2cddx/dxstories.html
> >
> >There are some WCDXB's there but not a complete set of those.
> >
> >Also more of Paul's stories too.
> >
> >73, Bob
> >
> >K2TK ex KN2TKR & K2TKR
>
> I have the complete set of WCDXBs. All 550 original issues sent

> to me by WA6AUD on the promise I would keep them safe. Every single
> issue from 1968 until 1979. The only time they left my possession
> was at Cass' request to loan them to K1TN as reference material when
> he was researching for his book "YASME The Danny Weil and Colvin
> Radio Expeditions" - ISBN: 0-87259-893-4. That book is a must read
> for anyone interested in the history of DXing. K1TN has since
> returned them and they are safety stored.
>
> The URL listed above was a collaborative effort by K2CD and
> myself in the 1990s, and there is material there that is not on my web
> site:
>
> http://www.ve1dx.net/Stories/stories.html
>
> I transferred all of the stories from the Geocities site to my
> own site a number of years ago as K2CD no longer updates his
> site. In terms of just stories, my collection is more
> complete. However, there are some reproductions and articles written
> by others on Mike's site (K2CD) that are not available on mine.
>
> One thing on my "to do" list is to scan in all 550 copies of the
> WCDXB and put them on the Internet. It would preserve WA6AUD's
> legacy and provide excellent reference material to The Great Days of
> DXing. What is holding me back is the size of this project. Most of
> the WCDXBs are multiple pages, some 4-6 pages. Scanning them in
> would be a big job. Also, it would generate about ~2500
> images. These could be consolidated in ~550 downloadable zip files
> of the resultant .JPEG, TIFF or whatever format is best (my
> preference would be .PDF.) Any way you look at it, it is a huge job
> for a limited audience, and it would be expensive from a server
> storage perspective. Hence the procrastination on my part.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
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N9LJX
radio.n9ljx@...

10544. Re: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes - Supplemental!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 15:15:09 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10541 Message: 10544

I'm surprised all the microwaves haven't addled my brain. Maybe they have
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:-)

73, zack W9SZ

On Tue, Aug 18, 2009 at 9:02 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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>
> At 10:32 AM 8/18/2009, you wrote:
>
> >It works on all bands at once!
> >
> >Have you gotten ozone poisoning yet?
> >:-)
> >
> >73, Zack W9SZ
>
> Well Jack . . .
>
> <snip>
>
> Sorry, Zack! After a decade or more I ought to know how to
> spell your name correctly. Might be the ozone. CUL OT.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
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>

10545. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-18 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10545

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 18 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 230 Issued at 2200Z on 18 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 17/2100Z
to 18/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 17/2100Z to 18/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to increase to unsettled to active levels on day one (19
August) in response to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream
(CH HSS). Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to unsettled
levels on day two (20 August) as the CH HSS subsides. Quiet levels
are expected on day three (21 August).
III. Event Probabilities 19 Aug-21 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 18 Aug 067
Predicted 19 Aug-21 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 18 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 17 Aug 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 18 Aug 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 19 Aug-21 Aug 015/012-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 19 Aug-21 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 30/25/10
Minor storm 10/05/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10546. BT1 Olympic QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 00:36:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10546 Message: 10546

Has anyone ever received a QSL for the Beijing Olympics?

73

Al, VE1AL

10547. Re: [DX-IS] BT1 Olympic QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 00:47:46 UTC
From: WA8WV@aol.com
Topic: 10546 Message: 10547

Received BT1ON card Nov. 2008.

DX,
Dave WA8WV

10548. Re: [DX-IS] BT1 Olympic QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 01:04:57 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10546 Message: 10548

received BT1OJ card Nov 19th, 2008
73 frank w0ecs

WA8WV@... wrote:
>
>
> Received BT1ON card Nov. 2008.
>
> DX,
> *Dave WA8WV*
>
>

10549. K0IEA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 03:42:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10549 Message: 10549

Does anyone know anything about K0IEA who was the QSL mgr for KG4DX back in 1993? I see his license is valid was renewed in 2007. I'd like to see if he still has the logs. Does he have an e-mail address?

Thanks for any help offered.

73

Al, VE1AL

10550. Re: [DX-IS] K0IEA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 03:45:45 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 10549 Message: 10550

Here you go.

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 10:42 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] K0IEA

Does anyone know anything about K0IEA who was the QSL mgr for KG4DX back in 1993? I see his license is valid was renewed in 2007. I'd like to see if he still has the logs. Does he have an e-mail address?

Thanks for any help offered.

73

Al, VE1AL

10551. RE: [DX-IS] K0IEA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 20:44:06 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10549 Message: 10551

Thanks, Bob. Dave also e-mailed me and I'll have a QSL off for the 10M QSOs on the weekend.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Robert Chudek - K0RC
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 12:46 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; Dave Wester, K0IEA
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K0IEA

Here you go.

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan <mailto:aleith@...> Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 10:42 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] K0IEA

Does anyone know anything about K0IEA who was the QSL mgr for KG4DX back in 1993? I see his license is valid was renewed in 2007. I'd like to see if he still has the logs. Does he have an e-mail address?

Thanks for any help offered.

73

Al, VE1AL

10552. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10552

<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.0 Transitional//EN"><HTML><HEAD><META
http-equiv=Content-Type content="text/html;
charset=iso-8859-1"></HEAD><BODY><PRE>:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 19 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 231 Issued at 2200Z on 19 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active
periods possible on day one (20 August). This activity is in
response to the continued effects from a recurrent coronal hole
high-speed stream (CH HSS). Activity is expected to decrease to
mostly quiet on days two and three (21 - 22 August).
III. Event Probabilities 20 Aug-22 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 Aug 067
Predicted 20 Aug-22 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 19 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 Aug 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 Aug 010/012
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 Aug-22 Aug 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 Aug-22 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 25/10/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10553. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #921.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-19 22:46:33 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10553 Message: 10553

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BID: $OPDX.921.1
August 17, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and NC1L following DX information.

The logs for 7O1YGF have now been uploaded to LoTW. Please follow this procedure if you want to claim credit:

As with paper applications if you submitted 7O1YGF in the past and had it rejected, we will accept an e-application via LoTW and you will not be charged a submission fee for 7O1YGF only.

Make sure you have uploaded your QSOs. DXCC cannot open and search the logs for your QSO since doing this will not show the match that is required for a LoTW confirmation;

Access your account and begin the application process;

If you select only the 7O1YGF QSOs you will not be assessed the fees that LoTW will report back to you. If you choose other QSOs a regular submission fee will apply;

Complete the application (all 4 parts) and DXCC will place your e-application on the list for processing;

Special note for 7O1YGF applications ONLY: On Part 4 of the LoTW application click "Payment by mail" This step is VERY important to assure proper handling. If you clicked on part one any QSOs other than 7O1YGF you must make proper payment.

Again: The above is ONLY for 7O1YGF submissions. Applications with other QSOs will be handled, and charged, as a regular submission.

DXCC will not acknowledge completion of the application. When finished, your numbers in LoTW will reflect the completion of your e-application.

If you achieve Honor Roll or Top of the Honor Roll from this submission and you would like to order the wall plaque, you can send me an e-mail or fax your order or send the order form by regular mail.

73 es DX!

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10554. CW from Goat Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 03:10:40 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 10554 Message: 10554

I am working CW this weekend from Goat Island, helping to bring up Goat Island as a new US Island.

This is a new Island entity and we are attempting to get as many contacts as possible in order to qualify it.

http://www.wc5c.org/WC5CClub/Island/tabid/404/Default.aspx if you get a chance please mention us on the air, on the reflectors, and
come by and give us some contacts, as we need as many contacts as we can get.

Bob AD5VJ

10555. Apology to DX Cluster - PSK-31 operators.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 03:48:32 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10555 Message: 10555

My apologies for the eight worthless PSK-31 spots I sent over the cluster shortly after 13:00 UTC on 8/19/09. I had been testing with my primary station and missed the fact that the frequency of my SSB/CW station had overwritten the TX/RX freq of the PSK-31 station and its outgoing spots to the cluster.

73,

Gary - AB9M

10556. FT5GA Glorieuses DXpedition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 08:51:19 UTC
From: Aishwarya
Topic: 10556 Message: 10556

Hello all,

Some news from the FT5GA team.
73, Cedric HB9HFN

Source: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/e-glorieuses_news.htm

The FT5GA team has in hand, the flight tickets from Paris CdG to the St Denis R?union Island airport.
The departure is scheduled on September 11th and the return on October 8th .

The information about the French Forces Transall flight from Saint Denis to Grande Glorieuse will be published as soon as the FASZOI Hq will have confirmed them. (FASZOI = French Armed Forces for the South Indian Ocean Zone)

The stay on Grand Glorieuse is considered having about three weeks length.

All the gear has been picked up and is now ready packed on pallets, to be sent to the Reunion island, in the next few days.
Thanks especially for that to the Provins ARC, F6KOP members Serge, F6AML and Frank, F4AJQ.

/73's de Didier, F5OGL - Gloriosos 2009 team leader/

10557. Re: [DX-IS] CW from Goat Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 16:39:12 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 10554 Message: 10557

On Thu, Aug 20, 2009 at 12:10 AM, AD5VJ Bob<rtnmi@...> wrote:
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> come by and give us some contacts, as we need as many contacts as we can
> get.
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I assume the call sign will be WC5C in some form or other ???

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

10558. Another 7O operation? How safe is it to to go Yemen?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 20:29:41 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10558 Message: 10558

Excellent article in the latest version of the Economist. Appears it's a proxy war in Yemen between Sunni Muslim (Saudi Arabia) and Shi'ite Islam (Iran).

http://ow.ly/15LKR5

The losers are the non-combatants, as usual.

Mark Lunday

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10559. Re: [DX-IS] Another 7O operation? How safe is it to to go Yemen?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 20:34:10 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10558 Message: 10559

If it is real dangerous in Yemen, I can think of a few politicians I would like to send on a DXpedition there.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 8/20/09, Mark Lunday <mlunday@...> wrote:

From: Mark Lunday <mlunday@nc.rr.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] Another 7O operation? How safe is it to to go Yemen?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009, 3:29 PM

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The losers are the non-combatants, as usual.

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10560. ARLD033 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 21:46:30 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5651 Message: 10560

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To all radio amateurs

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TIMOR-LESTE, 4W. Chris, VK4FR is QRV as 4W6FR from Dili until mid October while on work assignment. Activity is mainly on 30, 20 and 17 meters using PSK31 and Olivia. In addition, Al, 4W6AL is QRV until October 3. Activity is on 40 to 17 meters using mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY. QSL 4W6FR via VK4FW and 4W6AL via CT1GFK.

KENYA, 5Z. Steve, W8SMH is now QRV as 5Z4/home call and is active from Nairobi for the next three years while on work assignment. He is active as time permits. QSL direct to home call.

NAURU, C2. Dani, C21TI and Ruben, C21RK are QRV until August 23. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB with two stations. QSL via EA4ATI.

AZORES, CU. Jan, DL7JAN and Egon, DL2IX are QRV as CT8/home calls from Faial Island, IOTA EU-175, until August 31. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

FRENCH POLYNESIA, FO. Phil, F5PHW is QRV as FO8RZ and is here for the next two years. He is active on 80 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

SAUDI ARABIA, HZ. Abdul, 7Z1CQ has been active on 40 meters around 0300z. QSL direct to home call.

SARDINIA, IS0. Giorgio is QRV as IS0/IZ3KVD from the capital city of Cagliari until August 31. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

NORWAY, LA. Ben, DL7BY is QRV as LA/home call from Hinnoya Island, IOTA EU-033, until August 22. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL to home call.

BULGARIA, LZ. Special event station LZ01WFF is QRV from the national parks Steneto and Central Balkan until August 24. Activity is on the HF bands, including 6 and 2 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL via LZ1ZF.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Fred, PA0FAW is QRV using special event station callsign PA09WSF until August 30 to celebrate the World Statues Festival in Arnhem. QSL via bureau.

POLAND, SP. Special event station SN120OSP is QRV until October 31 in celebration of the 120th anniversary of the city of Gorowo Ilaweckie auxiliary fire brigade. Activity is on all bands. QSL via SP4CUF.

GREECE, SV. Max, IZ4JMA will be QRV as SV8/home call from the islands of Paxoi and Kerkira, both IOTA EU-052, from August 24 to September 9. This includes possible operations from various Lighthouses. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

MOUNT ATHOS, SV/A. Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A has been active using CW on 10 meters around 0900z. QSL direct.

CRETE, SV9. Ron, WB2GAI is QRV as SV9/WB2GAI/p until October 5. Activity is on 80 to 17 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

MARSHALL ISLANDS, V7. Fuminor, JA2DSQ and Yuji, JH2BNL will be QRV as V73NF, and V7XX or V73J, respectively, from Majuro Island, IOTA OC-029, from August 24 to 29. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

CHAGOS ISLANDS, VQ9. Larry, VQ9LA has been active on 80 meters using CW between 0000 and 0100z. QSL direct to home call.

SOUTH AFRICA, ZS. Peter, ZS1JX has been active using CW on 160 and CW and SSB on 80 meters between 0330 and 0445z. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The EPC Russia DX Contest, The NCCC Sprint, Hawaii QSO Party and the Ohio QSO Party are all on tap for this weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Sprint and SKCC CW Sprint are scheduled for August 26. Please see August QST, page 76, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10561. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-20 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10561

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http-equiv=Content-Type content="text/html;
charset=iso-8859-1"></HEAD><BODY><PRE>:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 20 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#

Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 232 Issued at 2200Z on 20 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 19/2100Z to 20/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet to unsettled levels.
One isolated active period was observed between 20/0300 - 0600Z. The
activity was in response to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed
stream.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (21 - 23 August).
III. Event Probabilities 21 Aug-23 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 20 Aug 068
Predicted 21 Aug-23 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 20 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 19 Aug 008/010
Estimated Afr/Ap 20 Aug 009/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 21 Aug-23 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 21 Aug-23 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10562. [425ENG] 425 DX News #955

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-21 16:26:14 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10562 Message: 10562

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3D2 - Jacek, SP5EAQ (3D2MJ) and Jacek, SP5DRH (3D2KJ) will be active from Viti Levu (OC-016), Fiji from 1 October for four weeks. They will operate on all bands, with an emphasis on the low bands, with two stations using small amplifiers and vertical antennas. QSL via home calls. [TNX SP5DRH]
5B - Gab, HA3JB has postponed his announced activity from Monaco [425DXN 947] and will be going to Cyprus instead. Look for him to be active as 5B/HG3IPA from 25 September to 2 October, including an entry in the CQ WW RTTY DX Contest. This activity will be good for the Hungarian International Police Association Award (on-line log and information on the award can be found at http://www.ha3jb.com). QSL via HA3JB. [TNX HA3JB]
6W - Stan, EI6DX (UA1OUT) will operate as 6W/EI6DX from Senegal on 7-16 November. He will concentrate on the low bands CW, and will take part in the Ukrainian DX and Japan Internation DX contests. QSL via RX3RC, direct or bureau. Updates and further information at http://www.ei6dx.com/senegal [TNX UA1OUT]
9H - Once again a group of Dutch operators will be going to Qawra, Malta (EU-023) for annual holiday/DXpedition. They will be active on 80-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes between 6 and 27 September. The callsign for the group is 9H9PA (QSL via PB9ZR), but they will also operate under their individual callsigns: 9H3AB (QSL via PA1SL), 9H3DZ (QSL via PA2AM), 9H3FD (QSL via PA3FHR), 9H3ON (QSL via PG9W), 9H3S (QSL via PA3HGP), 9H3X (QSL via PE1NGF), 9H3YM (QSL via PE1OFJ), 9H3ZR (QSL via PB9ZR). [TNX PG9W]
C6 - Ed/K3IXD, Randy/K4QO, Pete/W2GJ and Dallas/W3PP will be active from Crooked Island (NA-113), Bahamas on 22-26 October. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SB Contest as C6APR (Multi-Two); before and after the contest look for C6AQO (CW and SSB) and C6AXD (RTTY) to be active on 160-10 metres. All QSLs via K3IXD. [TNX K3IXD]
F - Marc, F6HQP is currently active as F6HQP/p from Brittany until 26 August. He will try to go and operate from a few more islands,

such as Ile Callot (not IOTA, DIFM MA-017) and Ile de Batz (EU-105, DIFM MA-018). QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX F6AJA]
FT5G - The FT5GA team [425DXN 948] will depart Paris on 11 September, destination St. Denis, Reunion Island. The date for the military flight to Glorioso will be announced as soon as FASZOI (the French Armed Forces in the South Indian Ocean Zone) confirm it. The team will remain on Grande Glorieuse for about three weeks, and the return flight from Reunion to Paris will be on 8 October. Bookmark http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/ for further information and updates.
H4 - Mike, KM9D (H44MY) and Jan, KF4TUG (H44TO) are now lying to anchor at Tesauma, Rennell Island (OC-127) and might be QRV soon. QSL via OM2SA.
HB9 - Tera Radio Club (www.hb9ok.ch)will be active as HB9VELO on in September for the Road Cycling World Championships that will be held in Mendrisio, Switzerland on 23-27 September. Activity will be on CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY on the HF bands. QSL via HB9OCR. [TNX HB9EDM]
I - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, ARI Vigevano will operate as IY2M between 1 September and 31 January 2010. Concurrent special events will be organized in cooperation with the Museum of Electrical Technology of the University of Pavia. QSL via IW2NOH, direct or bureau. [TNX IK2AVH]
I - Gerry, IZ1DSH and Pasquale, IZ1MLQ will be active as IL7T from San Domino Island (EU-050, IIA FG-001) on 24-27 September. They will have two stations active on 40-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via IZ1DSH, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.aritorino.it/IL7T.htm [TNX IZ1DXS]
J7 - Lot, DJ9ZG and Babs, DL7AFS will be active as J79ZG from Dominica (NA-101) from 27 September to 15 October. They plan to operate RTTY, PSK and SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via DL7AFS, direct or bureau. Their website is at www.qsl.net/dl7afs [TNX DJ7ZG]
KH0 - Kuro, JH0MGJ will operate on 80-6 metres as AL5A/WH0 from Saipan (OC-086) on 28-31 August. QSL via JA7JEC (direct) or JH0MGJ (bureau). [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
KH2 - Look for George, K6SV/KH2 and Dennis, K7BV/KH2 to be active from Guam (OC-026) on 25-28 August. They will operate operating SSB and CW on the HF bands and 6 metres from the WH2DX rental QTH (http://www.wh2dx.com/). QSL via K6HRO. [TNX N4GN]
SV - Max, IZ4JMA will be active as SV8/IZ4JMA from the islands of Paxoi and Kerkira (both counts for EU-052) from 24 August to 9 September. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres, with digital modes activity being planned. [TNX IZ4JMA]
SV - Demetrius/SV2GWY, Angelo/SV2GWR, Cleanthis/SV2XI, Dimitris/SV7HRJ, Nick/SV7HVI, Themistokles/SW2HQF and Nikos/SW2HVD will be active as SX8DI from the Drenia Islands (EU-174) on 28-31 August. Their base camp will be on Penna Island, and they also try to go and operate from the lighthouse on Frini Island. QSL via SV2GWY, direct or bureau. Further information and log search can be found

at http://sx8di.blogspot.com/ [TNX VA3RJ]
VE - George, K3GV, will be active as K3GV/VY2 from Prince Edward Island (NA-029) between 1 and 28 September. Activity will be on 15 and 20 metres around the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX K3GV]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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7O1YGF & LOTW ---> The logs for 7O1YGF have now been uploaded to LoTW. The procedure to follow in order to claim credit is described on the Century Club Awards Weblog (http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards). Please note that "if you select only the 7O1YGF QSOs you will not be assessed the fees that LoTW will report back to you", but if you select also other QSOs, the application will be handled and charged as a regular submission. [TNX NC1L]

CIS DX QPSK63 ---> The European PSK Club invites amateur radio operators to participate in the CIS DX QPSK63 Contest, that will be held from 12 UTC on 19 September until 12 UTC on the 20th. Complete rules and other information can be found at http://www.cisdx.srars.org/ [TNX MM0DFV]

FO8RZ ---> Updates from Phil, FO8RZ (F5PHW) can be found on his website (http://f5phw.chez.com/), along with a log search that will updated on a weekly basis. QSL via F8BPN, direct or bureau. Phil uploads his log to LoTW on a regular basis. [TNX FO8RZ]

HOMECOMING SCOTLAND TROPHIES ---> The GMDX Group sponsors the Homecoming Scotland Engraved Challenge Trophies to be awarded to (1) the top three stations outside Scotland who contact the largest number of different GA, MA and 2A stations, and to (2) the top three Scottish stations who using the GA, MA and 2A prefixes work the largest number of stations outside Scotland between 10 August and 30 November 2009. Details can be found at http://www.gmdx.org.uk/ [TNX MM0NDX]

LOGS ---> A logsearch for DU1/G0SHN (and for other 106 callsigns, for a total of 322,449 QSOs) is available on the Nouvelles DX's website (http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php). Also, the log for HB0/F5LMJ is now on line at http://www.tuduri.net/f5lmj/Hb0/Hb0.htm [TNX F6AJA]

NOT THE MANAGER ---> As of 15 August 2009 Erik, K5WW is no longer the QSL manager for P40L and P4/W6LD. [TNX K5WW]

QSL 7P8AO ---> A log search for 7P8AO (as well as for 7P8CF, 7P8MM, 7P8OK and 7P8YI) can be found at http://ha5ao.novolab.hu/. QSL 7P8AO via HA5AO, direct only (Istvan Gaspar, Rakoczi u. 85, 1196 Budapest, Hungary), as proceeds will be donated entirely to charity (details on this project can be found on the website above).

QSL J79PAK ---> The Daily DX reports that, following HB9CUA's tragic death, the new QSL route for J79PAK is via HB9HLM.

QSL VIA IK3GES ---> It has been reported that Gabriele, IK3GES QSLs only direct. This is not true. As for his latest activities from Greek islands, all of the direct requests have been replied to, and all of the remaining QSOs will be confirmed automatically through the bureau system in late August. As for his recent IOTA activities from Gokceada (Turkey, EU-186) and Sveta Anastasiya (Bulgaria, EU-181), when the blank cards arrive from the printer he will apply the same procedure as above. On-line logs can be found at http://www.ik3ges.it [TNX IK3GES]

YO DX HF CONTEST ---> The Romanian Amateur Radio Federation (FRR) invites amateur radio operators all over the world to participate in the annual YO DX HF Contest, which will be held on 29-30 August (from 12 UTC to 12 UTC). Participants in the contest who meet the award requirements will receive the YO BZ Award (1st class) free of charge. Complete contest rules and results of lats year's edition can be found at http://www.hamradio.ro/ [TNX YO2DFA]

+ SILENT KEYS + Pierre-Aime Kubler, HB9CUA (J79PAK) lost his life on 5 August, at 46 years of age, while on vacation in Dominica. He was trying to rescue his eight-year-old daughter (who survived) from the sea, when he was swept under a wave. He was found dead the day after.
Other recently reported Silent Keys include Medzit "Kico" Dautovic (E72C, former Secretary of ARABiH), Jiro Manaka (JA1MCU, the first operator from Japan to receive the 5 Band DXCC Award), Igor A. Lambrianov (UA6JW), Mickey Hicks (WO6T) and antenna designer Giovanni Carnevale (I1UJX).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2NB, 3XY5M, 4K0CW, 4KT9W, 4L0A, 4T6I (SA-098), 5C2C, 5C2F, 5H3VMB, 5K0T (NA-132 and NA-133), 6Y8XF, 8Q7GP, 9H1BT, 9U0VB, A25VB, AO5KB, C37NL, C4SV, C6AGU, C91VB, CE9/K2ARB, CO2NB, CO6CAC, CP1FF, CP6XE, CS9L, CT3FQ, CT9L, CU3EQ, CX2TG, D44TXO, D4C, D93I (AS-060), EA9PY, EW3EW, EX8M, EY7AF, H44MY (OC-162), H6VA, HC2SL, HC7AE, HD2M, HH4/K4QD, HR9/IK2QPR, HZ1FS/p (AS-192), IL7G (EU-050), J39BJ, JD1BMM, JT1CO, KH2L, KP4KE, LY70W, N5BEK/TI7, OA4BHY/2 (SA-075), OA4TT, OY/G3TXF, OY9JD, P33W, P43A, PZ5WP, RG9A, S92LX, SX9JZ, T31DX, T32YA, T32YY, T33ZZ, T77C, TA3J/7, TA7KI, TJ3G, TL0A, TO3R, TS7C, TT8JT, TZ6EI, UK9AA, UN7MMM, V29JKV, V44KAI, V63MY (OC-259), V63TO (OC-163),VK9GMW, VP2EFB, VP8DLM, VR2EH, VU2PAI, VU2SWS, VU4MY, VY0A, W3STX/KH0, WP2B, XW1B, YI9TM, YS1G, Z2/UA4WHX, ZF2ZB, ZS1JX, ZS4TX.

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10563. [425ENG] 425 DX News #955 [Calendar]

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10564. ARLP034 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-21 19:34:38 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 5860 Message: 10564

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ARLP034 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP34
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 34 ARLP034
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA August 21, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP034
ARLP034 Propagation de K7RA

The quiet sun continues to baffle us. If there are no sunspots today, and I don't expect any to emerge, this will be the forty-second day in a row with no sunspots. July 10 was the last day we saw any spots. There is really no way to predict when the next sunspot will appear. If we see no sunspots through the end of the month, then nearly 80 percent of 2009 so far will have been spotless.

Unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions were predicted for August 19, with a planetary A index of 20, lowered to 15 by August 17. As seen at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt, the planetary A index rose to only 10 on August 19 and 11 on August 20. The current prediction from the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center shows a predicted planetary A index of 5 for every day through the end of August. Geophysical Institute Prague also predicts quiet and stable geomagnetic conditions through the rest of the month.

The summer sporadic-e season appears over, or at least there were no reports this week. There is a shorter, less intense winter sporadic-e season, and December's ARRL 10 Meter Contest often benefits from that mode.

George Munsch, W5VPQ, who lives in Medina County just west of San Antonio, Texas (EL09ok) sent comments responding to Pat Dyer's (WA5IYX, who is about a dozen miles east of W5VPQ, in EL09ql) remarks about digital vs. analog television as VHF propagation indicators.

George wrote, ''I have not had the pleasure of meeting Pat Dyer, but have followed his exploits on monitoring commercial signals for many years. Some early background on TV allocations may give some perspective.

Back after WW2, Ken Bullington's 1947 smooth earth models were just about all the FCC and anyone else had to use for VHF propagation predictions. Ham reports of extended propagation were dismissed, or downplayed as rare. So the initial table of VHF-TV allocations was developed. After a few stations were finally constructed along the Gulf coast, the extent of commonplace temperature inversions and thus extended VHF propagation became horribly evident. Florida stations were often stronger than ''local'' Texas stations. So, the ''Freeze'' happened. No new VHF TV licenses were issued for several years in the 1950s until a new allocations table could be worked out. Even so, interference problems continued to July 2009. I would occasionally catch UHF openings where EVERY UHF channel (except 39) displayed a signal of some kind, and VHF interference could make the low channels unusable. In the early days of (ham) VHF-FM, one Saturday I listened to a new repeater being set up, and mobiles going out to range check. I called in from my mobile and told them they were full quieting in San Antonio. This kind of broke up their party, as they were in Ft. Walton Beach, FL.

Fast forward to DTV. I have a converter which scans the spectrum and records station information whenever it is ''off''. (Hisense DB-2010) So far, several New Orleans stations have appeared on the list. I haven't tallied the list lately, but many of the VHF and most of the UHF channels are now represented. Houston stations are regularly seen, and often in the mornings, local stations do not manage the 15 dB margin over the distant signals, and are unavailable. I thought that the locals were having transmitter problems until I fired up the spectrum analyzer. Big noise there, but the TV refuses to present a picture. Again, the FCC ignored the real world in developing the allocations table, putting too many co-channel stations in ducting range of each other. Since I have an unamplified 10 way distribution system off my antenna, I don't have quite the sensitivity that Pat does, but I still see a lot of out of area digital stations''.

Thanks, George for the fascinating comments. I tried responding to George, but unfortunately the address that his arrl.net email address forwards to is rejecting incoming email.

George refers to ''Ken Bullington's 1947 smooth earth models'', and this was an early model describing a simplified method for calculating propagation over a theoretical smooth spherical earth on frequencies above 30 MHz.

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA has a new propagation column in the September issue of World Radio Online. This month's column concerns making propagation predictions for the public, and whether to assume small station or big station capabilities when making the calculations. You can download it for free at http://www.worldradiomagazine.com/wro_issues/2009/0909_toc.html which shows the table of contents. Just right-click on the four sections numbered at the left to download.

In response to the mention in last week's bulletin of the K7JA and K6CTW televised victory with Morse code over text messaging, Tom Segalstad, LA4LN mentioned a similar demo that he and LA8AJA did for Norwegian television. You can watch the ''Eksperimentet'' at http://www1.nrk.no/nett-tv/klipp/222270, which is a children's science program called ''Newton''.

Tom wrote, ''We asked if the Morse receiver could copy the message by ear and reproduce it from memory, but that was not accepted. In that case we could have exchanged the Morse message much faster. Next we asked if the receiving ham could type the received message into a computer, because that would also permit a faster exchange. But that was not accepted either. The message would have to be recorded by handwriting. Then we would be limited to the speed of the receiver's handwriting, which is 30 words per minute. We objected that this was not reasonable, because the receiving SMSer would not have to write down the message, but our objection was overruled.''

''The Morse code message was transmitted at a speed of 150 characters per minute, and was completed in 45.5 seconds. The SMS message was completed in 2 minutes. The conclusion was that the Morse code exchange won with a wide margin''.

''The received message was controlled vs. the original, and was found to be identical. 'But even though the Morse code is faster, the cell phone is much smaller than the radio', says the anchor. But LA4LN replies that your use of cell phone is restricted to where you have coverage by an operator company, while amateur radio telegraphy has no limits -- even from a desolated island in the Pacific Ocean''.

''Can you flirt on Morse code?'', the female SMSer asks. 'Sure', LA4LN answers, ''On Morse code we can transmit the code 88, which means love and kisses. 88 was chosen because it pictures the cross section of kissing lips''.

I didn't know this about 88 having a graphic reference, but you can watch LA4LN explaining it with the aid of his hands, while saying something in Norwegian which sounds to me like ''octo octo''.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for August 13 through 19 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 67.2, 67.6, 68.1, 68.8, 68.1, 67.4, and 67.1 with a mean of 67.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 4, 3, 3, 3, 4 and 10 with a mean of 4.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 2, 1, 0, 2, 2 and 8 with a mean of 2.6.
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/EX

10565. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-21 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10565

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III. Event Probabilities 22 Aug-24 Aug
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Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
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Predicted 22 Aug-24 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 21 Aug 067
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Observed Afr/Ap 20 Aug 008/011
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 Aug 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 Aug-24 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 Aug-24 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10566. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 11:35:05 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 10566

I can't wait until the day you can report some SSNs greater than 70 :-)

Maybe it will happen before I pass to the Lord.

DD, W1MCE

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 6:11 PM
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Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10567. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 12:23:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10567

At 08:35 AM 8/22/2009, you wrote:

>I can't wait until the day you can report some SSNs greater than 70 :-)
>
>Maybe it will happen before I pass to the Lord.
>
>DD, W1MCE

Wish I could take the credit (or blame) for those results,
Dave! They are simply a forwarding by me of what NOAA and the USAF
come up with. We are now sitting at 42 days straight without a
single sunspot and no one (even the solar physics gurus) have the
slightest idea what is going on.

I agree with your sentiment. These are trying times for the
seasoned DXer. My agony may be ended tomorrow if that hurricane Bill
thing swings north 50-100 nautical miles and knocks all of my gear
down. I'd be hard pressed to find the enthusiasm and funds to
replace it given conditions show no sign of improving. I suppose I
could be the sacrificial lamb and save you guys, because if the day
comes that I have no antennas in the air, you can bet the flux will
skyrocket to 150! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

10568. C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 14:51:04 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10568 Message: 10568

Did any NA work him? Never heard him in Michigan.....saw lots of spots on 18 and 10, but can't put spots in log :(

Dale K8TS

Jackson, MI

10569. Re: [DX-IS] C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 15:14:07 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10568 Message: 10569

My neighbor, AC9S worked him on Tuesday evening CDT. Keith said he was very weak on his Orion II and 3 el Stepper at 100' .... (new Alpha on transmit)

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Saturday, August 22, 2009 9:51 AM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] C2ITU

Did any NA work him? Never heard him in Michigan.....saw lots of spots on 18 and 10, but can't put spots in log :(

Dale K8TS

Jackson, MI

10570. Re: [DX-IS] C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 15:26:23 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10568 Message: 10570
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Did you mean C21TI? Worked him on 20 SSB Aug 19.
Weak in NC.
73 DE Brian/K3KO

Dale Cole K8TS wrote:
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> Did any NA work him? Never heard him in Michigan.....saw lots of spots on 18 and 10, but can't put spots in log :(
>
> Dale K8TS
>
> Jackson, MI
>
>

10571. Re: [DX-IS] C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 15:57:27 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10568 Message: 10571

yes Brian, correct call (as on the reflectors) hi hi I worked mostly nights this past week, so kinda explains; also have ground mounted vertical. Equally poor in all directions.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Brian Alsop" <alsopb@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 22, 2009 11:26:23 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] C2ITU

Did you mean C21TI? Worked him on 20 SSB Aug 19.
Weak in NC.
73 DE Brian/K3KO

Dale Cole K8TS wrote:
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> Did any NA work him? Never heard him in Michigan.....saw lots of spots on 18 and 10, but can't put spots in log :(
>
> Dale K8TS
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> Jackson, MI
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10572. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 19:41:27 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10568 Message: 10572

Heard C21TI at 0230 last night on 18145 with decent sigs.

He didn't hear me though...

10573. Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 19:45:37 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10568 Message: 10573

At 04:41 PM 8/22/2009, you wrote:
>Heard C21TI at 0230 last night on 18145 with decent sigs.
>
>He didn't hear me though...

You need one of these:

http://www.cpii.com/docs/datasheets/76/3CX20-000A7.pdf

He'll hear you then . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

10574. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 19:59:01 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10568 Message: 10574

> You need one of these:
>
> http://www.cpii.com/docs/datasheets/76/3CX20-000A7.pdf
>
> He'll hear you then . . .
>

Ha!

In my particular case at the moment, a 3-500Z would suffice. :-) Still barefoot here.

Dan

10575. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-22 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10575

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IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled due to the residual
effects of a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream that rotated
off the disk yesterday (21 August).
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet during the forecast period (23 - 25 August).
III. Event Probabilities 23 Aug-25 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
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10576. C21TI in NA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 13:03:26 UTC
From: Norman Alexander
Topic: 10576 Message: 10576

Worked in on 40m CW, I missed him on 80m, however K4PB locally worked him. He was in several days on 20m SSB (at 04:00 UTC) an got him there and also on 17m SSB.

He had good signals on 17m, 22 Aug, at 00:41 UTC with very few callers. Not strong, but also not much competition. Started out simplex then went split.

Regards,

Norm W4QN

10577. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 14:29:08 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10568 Message: 10577

My wife (N4BU) worked him on both 17 and 20 SSB and I worked him on
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10578. Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 14:39:02 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10568 Message: 10578

Art,
Missed you from 7P8 were you on vacation?

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

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Sent: Sunday, August 23, 2009 9:29 AM
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Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.64/2321 - Release Date: 08/23/09 06:18:00

10579. RE: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 14:39:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10568 Message: 10579

So much better nearer the equator!!! Not even a peep here at the northern end of Nova Scotia where we're battened down for Hurricane Bill which should reach us in the next few hours. Up to 6" of rain and winds topping 80 mph. Gonna be a fun day.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Yahoo! Groups Links

10580. Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 16:47:47 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10568 Message: 10580

Excellent choice of a tube for the driver stage.....

Bob
K2TK

n3oxdan wrote:
>> You need one of these:
>>
>> http://www.cpii.com/docs/datasheets/76/3CX20-000A7.pdf
>>
>> He'll hear you then . . .
>>
>>
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> Ha!
>
> In my particular case at the moment, a 3-500Z would suffice. :-) Still barefoot here.
>
> Dan
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10581. Dr. Phil & Ham Radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 16:58:12 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10581 Message: 10581

The Dr. Phil Show

DANNY: Im depressed. Turning things off, 3rd time in 24 hours we have had thunderstorms coming thru. I was out taking down the 6 meter quagi, to repair a quad arm, and put it on a rotatable fiberglass pole that can be easily rotated from the ground. Its on the ground and unhooked, and here she comes outta here. ar ee beep beep etc.

DR. PHIL: Uhmmm... You're depressed? Why are you depressed?

DANNY: It's like I said Dr. Phil, I'm tired of all these storms coming through. Just let something come up on my ham radio that I need, and a storm will pop up every time. I can't stay on the computer without a storm coming up. I gotta unplug everything to prevent damage to my equipment. And let me tell you, I've had damage before. I'm tired of all these storms. I'm tired of 'em, I'm tired of 'em, I'm tired of 'em. If I could write music, I would write a song about the blues and how tired I am of all these (bleep bleep) storms.

DR. PHIL: [Pauses, cocks his head sideways, and looks at Danny funny for a moment] OKeeeyyy, you're tired of the storms. Did you not say a few years back that Virginia was suffering from draught? Danny, the world is an orderly place. Not every year has perfect weather. Some years we don't get enough rain, some years we get too much, but it all comes out in the wash. No pun intended... [Laughter from the audience] And what in the world is it with you ham radio operators? You guys seem to center your whole lives around setting in front of a box with knobs and meters. You'll stay up all night trying to talk to some island out in the middle of the ocean that's uninhabitable for humans, and most people don't even know exists.

DANNY: But Dr. Phil, I know we need rain. It's just that storms come up right when it's most inconvenient for me. And they just keep coming, one after the other. As for those little islands, they are very important to us DXers.

DR PHIL: The forces of nature don't cater to any of us. DXers? What are DXers? And why are you hams so obsessed with radio and islands?

DANNY: DXers are hams that communicate to the far corners of the earth. We eat, sleep, and dream of DX. It's the center of our universe.

DR PHIL: Danny, this is really, really, sad. And you aren't alone. I also have on the show a ham from Georgia, two from Kansas, one from California, and another one from Australia. I've talked to them, and their situations are also sad. At least the one from California sees a bit more to life than ham radio. He dresses up funny and chases meaty bees, or yellow jackets as we called them in Texas. And unlike other ham stations, you'll get a sure, quick, and electrifying response from those rascals. [Laughter from the audience]

I have a plan for you guys. I'm not sending you to a rehab center. Instead, I'm sending all of you to an uninhabited island in the Pacific. You love islands so much, this should be right up your alley. We've had nice huts set up for you to live in. The fishing is good,

but we'll deliver food and drinking water every day. We'll also deliver beer on ice. For each of you, there will be three beautiful women sent in. You will have the good life. Well, it will be good all except for what you value most. You will not have ham radio or computers. If you did they wouldn't work, because you will have no electricity. You will stay on the island for a year. It is very hot and humid there, and it rains most every day. You will learn to appreciate the rain, because without air conditioning, it's all you will have to cool things off.

We'll break now for a commercial. When we come back, we'll hear from a guy who married his goat.

Rene (in California)

10582. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #922

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 21:13:20 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10582 Message: 10582

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August 24, 2009
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Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 16th-August, through Sunday, 23rd-August there were 201 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. Operators Jacek/SP5EAQ and Jacek/SP5DRH will be active as 3D2MJ and 3D2KJ, respectively, from Viti Levu (OC-016), starting October 1st for four weeks. Activity will be on all bands, but with an emphasis on the lower bands. They plan to use two stations with small amps and vertical antennas. QSL via their home callsigns.

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. Currently, two operators are active from here. Al, CT1GPQ, now active as 4W6AL, will be there until October 3rd. Remember,

this is "NOT A DXpedition"! CT1GPQ is in Timor-Leste with a medical team and radio operations will take place only during his spare time. He was heard this past weekend on 20 meters CW at various times between 0800-1300z. QSL via Toze, CT1GFK. Online log is now available at: http://algarvedx.com
Second operator is Chris, VK4FR, now active as 4W6FR, will be there until mid-October. He is also on a work assignment. Chris was heard this past weekend mainly on 30 and 20 meters using PSK31. QSL 4W6FR via VK4FW.

5B, CYPRUS (New IPA Op!). Gab, HA3JB, will be active as 5B/HG3IPA between September 25th and October 2nd. This is a new IPA activation and is valid for HA-IPARC Award (Hungarian International Police Association). Find IPARC Award info at: http://www.ha3jb.com/award.html
Gab plans to be in the CQWW RTTY Contest (September 26-27th). Online log will be available on his Web page at: http://www.ha3jb.com
ADDED NOTE: Gab reports, "I'm very sorry that the 3A/HG3IPA expedition was postponed due to technical reasons."

9H, MALTA. Members of the Dutch Society of Radio Amateurs (VRZA) will once again be active using their special callsign 9H9PA from Qawra between September 5-28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via PB9ZR, by the Bureau or direct to: Ruben van der Zwet, Van Speykstraat 238, 2161 VT Lisse, The Netherlands. NO IRC coupons, they are not valid anymore in the Netherlands (2 USDs only). PLEASE NOTE: Operators will also operate under their individual callsigns. The following callsigns were mentioned: 9H3AB (QSL via PA1SL), 9H3DZ (QSL via PA2AM), 9H3FD (QSL via PA3FHR), 9H3ON (QSL via PG9W), 9H3S (QSL via PA3HGP), 9H3X (QSL via PE1NGF), 9H3YM (QSL via PE1OFJ) and 9H3ZR (QSL via PB9ZR).

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Operators Miki, JJ2CJB/AC2AI will be active as 9M6/JJ2CJB from "Langkah Syabas Beach Resort" located near the city of Kota Kinabalu on the Island of Borneo (OC-088) for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). He plans to run 400 watts into a Force12 C4 beam. QSL via LoTW, e-QSL or the JA Bureau.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kuny/W1FPU (7L1FPU) and his nine-year son Yoshiki/KH0UA (JF1UCV), Tomo/N2QP (JQ1OCR), his wife Yuri/KE7TWK, Hajime/AH0BR and Moto/W1NDE will be active from the Mariana Islands between September 4-7th. Activity will include a Multi/Multi entry in the All Asian DX SSB Contest (September 5-6th) as AH0BT. QSL via 7L1FPU, by the Bureau and direct.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS (EU-004). Adrian, AA5UK, will be active as EA6/AA5UK from Ibiza (JM09tb), October 14-29th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using mostly SSB and various Digital modes. Also, look for satellite activity on various birds. He will also be active during CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). Didier, F5OGL, Glorioso 2009 team leader, announced this past week (on August 19th) that "the Glorioso 2009 team

has in hand the flight tickets from Paris CdG to the St. Denis Reunion Island airport. The departure is scheduled on September 11th and the return on October 8th. The information about the French Forces Transall flight from Saint Denis to Grande Glorieuse will be published as soon as the FASZOI Hq will have confirmed them. (FASZOI = French Armed Forces for the South Indian Ocean Zone) The stay on Grand Glorieuse is considered having about three weeks length. All the gear has been picked up and is now ready packed on pallets to be sent to the Reunion island in the next few days. Thanks especially for that to the Provins ARC, F6KOP members Serge, F6AML and Frank, F4AJQ." For more details and updates, visit the FT5GA Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr

HL9, SOUTH KOREA (Update/Attention PFX Hunters!). Mike, KE7WRJ, will be here for over 2 months starting September 9th. He plans to be active as HL9QST, September 10th, but no later than 11th. This is a rare prefix only assigned to U.S. Service members assigned to Korea. His tentative schedule is to operate from 4 different locations in South Korea as follows: September 10-12th: Seoul
September 14-24th: Camp Casey
September 25th-October 18th: Camp Humphreys
October 19-29th: Camp Carroll
October 30th-November 13th: Seoul
Activity will be on 40-10 meters, depending on the propagation, using CW and SSB. Operations will be at least 8 hours a day during the week and longer over the weekends. Look for him to be in both the Extra and General portions of the bands. His equipment will consist of a 5000A by Flex Radio, a "3 element Yagi in a Bag" from Super Antennas. QSL via KE7WRJ, direct or LoTW.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-008. Operators Ivan/G3IZD, Nick/G0HIK and Norman/G7MRL will be active as GM3IZD, GM0HIK and GM7MRL, repsectively, from the Isle of Islay (IOSA NH22, SCOTIA CS25, WLOTA L-1826) between September 12-18th. Activity will be on all HF bands, pro-pagation permitting. QSL direct only to each operator's home callsign.

EU-125. Michael, DK5NA, will be active as 5Q5NA from Romo Island (NS-001 for the Danish islands award) between September 6-25th. Activity will be on all bands, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign, bureau is preferred.

EU-172. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OZ0FR/p from the Vesborg Fyr Lighthouse (DEN-046) on Samsoe Island (DIA JY-008) between now and September 4th. Activity will be mostly CW on all HF bands. He was spotted this past weekend on 30 meters. QSL via DL2VFR, by the bureau or direct. DO NOT QSL via the OZ Bureau!

OC-127. Reports indicate that operators Mike/KM9D (H44MY) and Jan/KF4TUG (H44TO) are now lying anchor at Tesauma, Rennell Island. They might be active soon. QSL via OM2SA.

JD/O, OGASAWARA. Operators Makoto/JI5RPT (JD1BLY) and Taka/JO2JDJ (JD1BLP) will be active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031) between September 19-22nd. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using the satellites, CW, SSB and Digi modes. QSL via their home callsigns. Log search for JD1BLY will be available on the following Web site: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/

KH2, GUAM. Operators George/K6SV and Dennis/K7BV will be active from Guam signing their respective callsign/KH2 between August 25-28th (JA time). Activity will be CW/SSB on the HF bands and 6 meters from the WH2DX rental QTH <http://www.wh2dx.com/>. QSL via K6HRO.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND (Press Release). Tom/N4XP and Dave/WB4JTT, co-leaders for the 2009 Midway Island Dxpedition, sent out the following press release number 6 dated August 22nd (edited): "The K4M team has passed two important milestones this week. First we are pleased to present our transportation to Midway on October 9th, 2009. The team has chartered the G1 with the callsign N8E as shown (or will be available) on K4M Web page at: http://www.midway2009.com/kh4news.html (picture taken on Palmyra)
Secondly, all radios, computers, antennas, coax, and the rest of the tons of gear have left Hawaii on a supply ship to Midway and will wait for the team there.
Fundraising continues on our Web site, <http://www.midway2009.com/> .
If you haven't visited it in a while stop by and help support our effort.
All pre expedition contributors who are on LOTW will receive their confirmations within a week of the end of the DXpedition.
This month we are highlighting three more team members. You can read all their history at: http://www.midway2009.com/meettheops5.html "

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For August 24-30th).....
Aug 24 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Aug 25 AN ---------------
Aug 26 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 27 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 28 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
Aug 29 AN ----------------------
Aug 30 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between 0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between 7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators Theo/PA1TK, Kees/PA5WT and Rob/PA3GVI will be active as LX/homecall between September 4-7th. Look for Kees and Rob to focus on the HF bands between 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. While Theo operates in the IARU VHF Contest on 144 MHz (2m). QSL via their home callsigns.

MOBILE DXPEDITION (Ops Needed!). OPDX received the following interesting report this past week stating:
"Three-to-six month mobile DX expedition via restored 1971 VW van from Mexico to Tierra del Fuego... beginning plus-or-minus November-December '09.
- Men and women wanted for arduous journey

- Low price
- High drama
- From the searing heat of the Amazon jungle to the bitter cold of windswept Cape Horn
- Safe return anticipated
- Honor and recognition among hams worldwide

For more information, please E-mail gorvonj4@...
or phone/fax K0GMO John Croonquist 406-837-0525."

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Allan, VK2GR, will be active as P29CW from the Western Province between September and December. Activity will be only during his spare time because he is there working with "Australian Doctors International" (ADI - <http://www.adi.org.au>). Due to the limited availability of power, Allan may not be active on the many field trips during his stay. QSL direct to Tommy, VK2IR, with 3 USDs or new IRCs. PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT send QSLs to the Papua New Guinea address.

PSK CONTEST. The European PSK Club (EPC) has the honor to invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the "2009 CIS DX QPSK63 Contest" (September 19-20th). This year's contest is being handled completely by the EPC. They would like to invite you to take part in the contest, the rules and other information can be found on the Web site at: http://www.cisdx.srars.org
Please check the rules as there are important changes. It is strictly a QPSK63 contest now, no other modes are allowed. The maximum output power is 100 watts. Georgia has been removed from the CIS Regions List. Moldova now has only 4 regions (MD01, MD02, MD03, and MD04). Kyrgyzstan has new additional territorial unit - Osh City (KG09). Please do not confuse this list with their EU Areas list, this is a completely different story.
"All the very best and see you all in the Contest! 73!"...
European PSK Club
CIS DX QPSK63 Contest Committee
www.cisdx.srars.org
epc@...

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
Franz, DK1II (ex-7O1YGF), announced this past week (August 17th) that he uploaded the 7O1YGF log to LoTW. He states, "Thanks to Bernd, DF3CB, for helping with the log conversion!"

CLEARING THE CONFUSION (ON FEE SUBMISSION) FOR THE 7O1YGF QSL! Wayne Mills, N7NG, reported this week: "There appears to be some confusion over the fees charged for submitting 7O1YGF cards. Here's the story, verified by Ms. Sharon Taratula at ARRL:
THERE IS NO 12.00 USDs APPLICATION FEE FOR SUBMITTING ONLY 7O1YGF CARDS VIA A LOTW APPLICATION.
This fact was mentioned in the release, but perhaps it was not entirely clear:
'If you select only the 7O1YGF QSOs you will not be assessed the fees

that LoTW will report back to you. If you choose other QSOs a regular submission fee will apply;'
The fees mentioned above are both credit fees and DXCC application fees. Just IGNORE any fees reported on your application as long as you don't submit anything other than 7O1YGF credits." 73, Wayne, N7NG

MORE 7O1YGF SUBMISSION CLARIFICATION. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reported on Friday, August 21st: "The 7O1YGF-ONLY submission is free. LoTW notes a submission fee (automatically) and I have no control over this. When I process the submission the fee is waived. The 'payment by mail' notation is to avoid having the fee being charged, accidentally. If you click 'payment by mail' you do not need to enter your credit card information.
Note: This free submission offer will end on December 31, 2009. After this, applicants can include 7O1YGF with their regular 2010 submission."

7P8AO QSL POLICY. Pista, HA5AO (one of the operators of the 7P8AO Lesotho operation), states: "I will send my QSL cards of my Lesotho operation for direct request, only. Please send SAE with 2 USDs and up. Please no IRCs. All the cash will be transferred to the Leratong Community Centre, Roma, Lesotho, to support the orphans and vulnerable children. I will upload the QSOs to the LoTW when I receive your direct request, only. The expenses of printing the cards and the post fee of the return QSL card will be covered by my own. Thank you for your kind understanding, and hoping your support." For more details, see: http://ha5ao.novolab.hu

ET3JA BUREAU QSLS. Milan, OK3AA, the QSL Manager for Josef, ET3JA (OK1XV), informs OPDX that by the time you read this, ET3JA will have finished his job in Ethiopia and should be QRT. He is expected to start working on QSLs (this week) that were received by the Bureau.

IRCS FOR SALE. OPDX: John, K1XN, (from the GoList) informs OPDX that he has several bundles of IRCs for sale *CHEAP* while they last. All are stamped and have an expiration date of Dec 31, 2009. Serious inquiries can E-mail him at: golist@...

K5D QSL STATUS go to:
http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/desecheo/qsls.htm

QSL OH7QR/M via Erkki's home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He was active from Hailuoto (Hailuoto, EU-184, WLOTA L-0580) this past week.

TA3J/7 AND TA7KI QSL STATUS. Berkin, TA3J, reports that the TA3J/7 and TA7KI QSL cards for the ARI 2009 and 2009 CQ WPX9CW Contests have been sent out direct on August 17th. QSLs for Bureau cards will be sent in September.

TK8B LOGS (Update). Laurent, F8BBL, has uploaded his logs to the following Web page from his recent TK8B and TK8B/P Corsica operation (which included EU-014, EU-104, EU-164 and TK/TK-112) at:
http://www.dx-cw.net/logsearch/logsearch.php
Also, a video is available at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SHYDPTeyZdk

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5K0T, 5R8KD, 6W1RW, 7O1YGF, 7P8MM, 7P8OK, CT1ILT, D93I, EK6TA, F6KNB, KH7Q, LX8RTTY, NU1AW/KH6, W1C, ZF1A, ZM4G and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4U1UN, 5J0BV, 5K0T, 7O1YGF, AX0BP, C37NL, CP1FF, EA8CQS, HD2M, IL7G, LZ2009KM, TO5E, TZ6EI, V29JKV, V63MY and ZC4RAF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B7C, 4K9W, 4O60BH, 5R8RJ, 5Z1A, 6W7I, 9A/VE3ZIK, 9K2CQ, A25SL, AM1TDH, AO5EH, AO5MB, C52C, CO6WD, CU1F, CX4AAJ, DA0T, DE1KDC, DF0COC, DJ9JY, DL1CWI, DL2008DKT, DL40RRDXA, DL50DARX, E21YDP, EG5FUV, EI5GUB, EI0CZ, ER0FEL, ES5JR, ES90Z, EW1IP, EW5HQ, FG/F5OJU, FJ/G3TXF, FO/N6JA, G4MR, HB2008FS, HB9FS, HG9X, HK3JJH/HK0B, HP2/CX2AM, HP3FTD, HQ2A, HQ9L, IB0CW, IK2DZN, IK2FIQ, J3/DL7VOG, J6/DL7AFS, J75RZ, LA2MOA, LZ7HQ, OH0/PA3BAG, OH0X, OJ0MI, OM3CAQ, OX3DB, OX3KQ, OX5AA, P33W, PA143ITU, PA6BF, PA7KG, PT7CB, PY7VI, PZ5XX, RA1QQ/p, RA3AJ, RA9LI/9, RK1QWB, RK3IWT/p, RT6A, RW1AI/MM, RX3FS, RZ6AZZ/p, SA7AUH, SF700BF, SG3U, SK3W, SN0MTB, SP3SLO, SP4TXI, SV9/DJ7RJ, SV9/IZ4DPV, T88CJ, TC3EC, TF/DL2VFR, TF/LA9SM, TG9ANM, TK/F5TVG, TO5RZ, TU2/F5LDY, TX1A, UE4FCR, UE6LHT, UR5FEL/p, V25OP, V25WJ, V26H, VA6AK, VP2EFB, VP2MRM, VP2MVX, YO8RIJ, YU8/OH2R and YW0DX

SN120, POLAND (Special Event). Look for special event station SN120OSP to be active between now and October 31st. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Operations are to celebrate the 120th anniversary of the auxiliary fire brigade of the Polish City "Gorowo Ilaweckie". QSL via SP4CUF.

SPECIAL EVENT. The ARRL announced that the Hiram Percy Maxim Birthday celebration is back! This year, the ARRL is honoring the 140th anniversary of the birth of the League's first president and co-founder. Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW, was born September 2, 1869 and died February 17, 1936. The special event is open to all amateurs, and the goal is to work the stations adding /140 to their callsigns, and contact as many as possible during the event period, September 2-9th. A special certificate is available for making at least 25 contacts with /140 stations, with endorsement increments of 25, and a maximum endorsement of 100. Who is eligible to sign /140? ARRL members who hold ARRL appointments, ARRL elected volunteers (such as ARRL Directors and Section Managers), ARRL Life Members, ARRL Head-quarters staff and VEs, AECs, QSL bureau workers and awards managers (who are ARRL members). The complete list of eligible positions can be found on page 20 of the September 2009 issue of QST. For more details, read ARRL Letter (Aug. 21st, Vol. 28, No. 33) or go to the ARRL Web page at: http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/08/17/11025/?nc=1

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI. Craig, N3BQR, will be on a research trip to Phoenix Island (OC-043) and expects to be active as T31AA between September 10-25th. Part of his research will involve Craig trying to land on at least six of the eight islands in the chain, although this is subject to local sea state conditions. Activity is expected on 20 meters SSB using vertical and/or dipole. QSL route to be announced later.

TI5, COSTA RICA. Operators Lewis/WW4LL and Andrei/EW1AR/NP3D will be active as TI5/homecall between September 23-28th. Activity will be on all bands using RTTY, SSB, and perhaps some CW. QSL via LoTW, also

direct per QRZ.com address.

XW, LAOS. Bruce, XW1B, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via E21EIC.

YO DX CONTEST 2009. Ovidiu, YO2DFA, informs OPDX that he is the Contest Manager of the 2009 YO DX Contest this year. He would also like to inform all the OPDX readers that the contest takes place August 29-30th. The YO DX Contest rules could be found at:
http://www.yodx.ro/en/hf-contest/rules
The 2008 results of last year's contest can also be found at:
http://www.yodx.ro/en/hf-contest/2008
Official sponsor's list can be found at:
http://www.yodx.ro/en/hf-contest/list-of-sponsors
Ovidiu states, "Please inform your readers that all the participants which will fulfill the necessary conditions during the contest will receive a free YO BZ AWARD (I-st Classe)."

ZK2, NIUE. Koji, JM1CAX (ex-D2NX), will be active as ZK2NX between September 19-25th. Activity should be on all bands, especially 30/17/12 meters, mostly CW, but some SSB. QSL via JM1CAX, by the Bureau or direct.

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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

10583. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10583

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charset=iso-8859-1"></HEAD><BODY><PRE>:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 23 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 235 Issued at 2200Z on 23 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 22/2100Z
to 23/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. The disk was spotless, and
no flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 22/2100Z to 23/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the forecast period (24-26 August).
III. Event Probabilities 24 Aug-26 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 Aug 067
Predicted 24 Aug-26 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 23 Aug 067
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 22 Aug 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 23 Aug 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 24 Aug-26 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 24 Aug-26 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10584. Re: [DX-IS] Dr. Phil & Ham Radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-23 22:19:16 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10581 Message: 10584

Literary Masterpiece!

Alek.

PS: Hey boys, I've got a 80W solar panel and batteries here . . . .
and a Wilson tribander that packs down to a real small size. A
generator and plenty of Texas Tower aluminium sections. After the
first week, We'll arrange the shipment of this stuff to the eyeland
and it'll be fun for the rest of the year.

At 12:58 AM 24/08/2009, WB6PSY/N6AXK wrote:

>The Dr. Phil Show
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>DANNY: Im depressed. Turning things off, 3rd time in 24 hours we have had
>thunderstorms coming thru. I was out taking down the 6 meter quagi, to
>repair a quad arm, and put it on a rotatable fiberglass pole that can be
>easily rotated from the ground. Its on the ground and unhooked, and here
>she comes outta here. ar ee beep beep etc.
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>DR. PHIL: Uhmmm... You're depressed? Why are you depressed?
>
>DANNY: It's like I said Dr. Phil, I'm tired of all these storms
>coming through. Just let something come up on my ham radio that I
>need, and a storm will pop up every time. I can't stay on the
>computer without a storm coming up. I gotta unplug everything to
>prevent damage to my equipment. And let me tell you, I've had damage
>before. I'm tired of all these storms. I'm tired of 'em, I'm tired
>of 'em, I'm tired of 'em. If I could write music, I would write a
>song about the blues and how tired I am of all these (bleep bleep) storms.
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>DR. PHIL: [Pauses, cocks his head sideways, and looks at Danny funny
>for a moment] OKeeeyyy, you're tired of the storms. Did you not say
>a few years back that Virginia was suffering from draught? Danny,
>the world is an orderly place. Not every year has perfect weather.
>Some years we don't get enough rain, some years we get too much, but
>it all comes out in the wash. No pun intended... [Laughter from the
>audience] And what in the world is it with you ham radio operators?
>You guys seem to center your whole lives around setting in front of
>a box with knobs and meters. You'll stay up all night trying to talk
>to some island out in the middle of the ocean that's uninhabitable
>for humans, and most people don't even know exists.
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>DANNY: But Dr. Phil, I know we need rain. It's just that storms come
>up right when it's most inconvenient for me. And they just keep

>coming, one after the other. As for those little islands, they are
>very important to us DXers.
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>DR PHIL: The forces of nature don't cater to any of us. DXers? What
>are DXers? And why are you hams so obsessed with radio and islands?
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>DANNY: DXers are hams that communicate to the far corners of the
>earth. We eat, sleep, and dream of DX. It's the center of our universe.
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>DR PHIL: Danny, this is really, really, sad. And you aren't alone. I
>also have on the show a ham from Georgia, two from Kansas, one from
>California, and another one from Australia. I've talked to them, and
>their situations are also sad. At least the one from California sees
>a bit more to life than ham radio. He dresses up funny and chases
>meaty bees, or yellow jackets as we called them in Texas. And unlike
>other ham stations, you'll get a sure, quick, and electrifying
>response from those rascals. [Laughter from the audience]
>
>I have a plan for you guys. I'm not sending you to a rehab center.
>Instead, I'm sending all of you to an uninhabited island in the
>Pacific. You love islands so much, this should be right up your
>alley. We've had nice huts set up for you to live in. The fishing is
>good, but we'll deliver food and drinking water every day. We'll
>also deliver beer on ice. For each of you, there will be three
>beautiful women sent in. You will have the good life. Well, it will
>be good all except for what you value most. You will not have ham
>radio or computers. If you did they wouldn't work, because you will
>have no electricity. You will stay on the island for a year. It is
>very hot and humid there, and it rains most every day. You will
>learn to appreciate the rain, because without air conditioning, it's
>all you will have to cool things off.
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>We'll break now for a commercial. When we come back, we'll hear from
>a guy who married his goat.
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>Rene (in California)
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http://www.qrz.com/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/vk6py

10585. Brag - VQ9LA on 80 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 01:19:29 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10585 Message: 10585

With the Zero-Five 43 foot vertical and 100 watts. As Confucious says, even the blind squirrel will discover a nut occasionally.

It helps that Larry, VQ9LA, has beverages on his end and he is an outstanding CW op.

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Mark Lunday

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10586. RE: [DX-IS] Brag - VQ9LA on 80 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 01:24:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10585 Message: 10586

Nice one, Mark. And yes, Larry has amazing ears!

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mark Lunday
Sent: Sunday, August 23, 2009 10:19 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Brag - VQ9LA on 80 meters

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10587. Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 02:15:31 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10568 Message: 10587

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 22, 2009 3:45:37 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Would help if I could ever get my beam up--been laying in back yard for at least 2 years. When I moved here in 2002, the radio club I joined was a few miles away. Never got involved in local--was told they were mostly vhf guys. Now I need an antenna party, but should I really asked the locals after I have snubbed them for sole long?

Dale K8TS

At 04:41 PM 8/22/2009, you wrote:
>Heard C21TI at 0230 last night on 18145 with decent sigs.
>
>He didn't hear me though...

You need one of these:

http://www.cpii.com/docs/datasheets/76/3CX20-000A7.pdf

He'll hear you then . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

10588. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 10:50:19 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10568 Message: 10588

I don't think I ever heard you guys!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@...> wrote:
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> Art,
> Missed you from 7P8 were you on vacation?
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> Charles F. Frost
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> frosty1@...
> http://www.africandxsafari.com
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> Sent: Sunday, August 23, 2009 9:29 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
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> Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.64/2321 - Release Date: 08/23/09 06:18:00
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10589. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 10:52:46 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10568 Message: 10589

Hang in there Al. My sympathies. The "..better near the equator..." works the other way as well - the hurricanes are much more prevalent down here!

On the plus side, Florida is not burning up like it tried to back in '98. On the negative side, those summer thunderstorms roll in virtually every day, knocking us off the air in the afternoons.

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10590. Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 11:03:04 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10568 Message: 10590

Wow Art,
I did work several in FL on 20 and 17 ssb. Oh well next year will be in A25 for CQWWSSB contest. Work you then.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 5:50 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

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Art - N4PJ

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10591. Re:Dr. Phil & Ham Radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 11:58:20 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10581 Message: 10591

Forget it, Dr Phil. Any place without ham radio is not a place worth going to.

Mark Lunday

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10592. HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 13:19:27 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10592 Message: 10592
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Very suprising not to see a single HC8 in the log for all of 2009.
Last year there were ten. They would be on in every contest.

73 de Brian/K3KO

10593. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 13:37:01 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10592 Message: 10593

Interesting point, Brian. I also have not worked an HC8 in a while. Maybe people who have routinely gone there in the past decided to go to other places for a change.

Hopefully there will be more activity from there in this coming contest season!

Maybe some day I can work an A9, EP or YA. I know there's activity from those places; I just haven't been able to get one in the log.

73, Zack W9SZ

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10594. 7O1YGF card received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 18:27:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10594 Message: 10594

Wow! I sent my card direct to DJ3XD on August 13, 2009 and just got the 7O1YGF card today. Fast turnaround!

I'm sure he knows he's going to be getting a lot of QSL requests for a while.

Now if I could just get a card for Montenegro. I've been waiting over half a year for cards sent direct to three different stations.

73, Zack W9SZ

10595. RE: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 19:20:20 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10568 Message: 10595

Well, Art, conditions on HF way up here yesterday were as bad as the weather. But for all the predictions of possible damage we fared well. Plenty of rain and the winds gusted up to 90 mph for a bit but there was no major damage reported in this area. Lots of people headed to the shore to watch the surf -- idiots all -- but no one was swept out to sea. We did get a lot of rain, some flooding and we were without power for four hours. I sat on the stairs to my second floor, near a window, and I listened to my iPod and read. It was relaxing!!!

All I have in the log for yesterday are a GA0 and an LY2.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
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10596. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 19:39:36 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10592 Message: 10596

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is more of a family/business fellow these days and the station was
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Derek aa5bt
(QSL mgr for HC8N 1992-2003)

10597. Re: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF card received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 19:41:46 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10594 Message: 10597

>Wow! I sent my card direct to DJ3XD on August 13, 2009 and
>just got the 7O1YGF card today. Fast turnaround!

And the DXCC folks already returned the card I sent them the
other day...

Derek aa5bt

10598. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 19:54:24 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10592 Message: 10598

I'd still like a 160 contact from there.....

73,
Bob
K2TK

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10599. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 20:02:49 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10568 Message: 10599

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Art - N4PJ

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> From: aburkefl
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 5:50 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
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10600. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 20:09:21 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10568 Message: 10600

Marsha was just reading on the internet that a girl in Maine was swept away from the shore and killed by a big wave. She was apparently there with her father, who ignored warnings from officials in the area. Never fails.

Aside from the C21, about the only thing I have lately in my log is mobiles - county hunting!

We went through the counties in south Florida a couple of weeks ago. Humorous stint through a little piece of the Everglades! (Monroe county) In a couple of weeks we're running through most of the counties in north Florida and then in the middle of September we're going to run all 82 counties in Mississippi. Can I count that as DX? hi hi

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> aburkefl
> Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 7:53 AM

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
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10601. RE: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 21:03:42 UTC
From: ARS NI5F
Topic: 10568 Message: 10601

Art,

I already have Hinds County, Mississippi covered J.

Bill, NI5F

<http://www.buck.com/call?callsign=NI5F>
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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@...m] On Behalf Of
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10602. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10602


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<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.0 Transitional//EN"><HTML><HEAD><META
http-equiv=Content-Type content="text/html;
charset=iso-8859-1"></HEAD><BODY><PRE>:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 24 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 236 Issued at 2200Z on 24 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. The disk is spotless and
no flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet during the forecast period (25-27 August).
III. Event Probabilities 25 Aug-27 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 Aug 068
Predicted 25 Aug-27 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 24 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 Aug 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 24 Aug 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 25 Aug-27 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 25 Aug-27 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10603. Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-24 23:09:16 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10568 Message: 10603

Art,

I will be retired on June 5 2010 and will be going over in Late August 2010 to set up something's. I am working on A25 foe CQWWSSB contest in Oct 2010 and could do the CW contest in November if anyone wants to go.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 3:02 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

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Art - N4PJ

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10604. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 01:19:45 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10592 Message: 10604

Zack;

Don't feel bad, 38 years here and have yet to hear a YA. Did finally snag an A9 this last ARRL. Cost me bucket of bolts though. QRZ lookup told to send registered. SASE ($3.00). Registerd ($11.00), and couple green stamps for good measure. Took only about 60 days though.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 9:37:01 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Interesting point, Brian. I also have not worked an HC8 in a while. Maybe people who have routinely gone there in the past decided to go to other places for a change.

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On Mon, Aug 24, 2009 at 8:19 AM, Brian Alsop < alsopb@... > wrote:

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10605. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 02:08:27 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10592 Message: 10605

Derek;

Was not there an award one time for working some HC8's and an HD8?

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Derek Wills" <oo7@pan.as.utexas.edu>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 3:39:36 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

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10606. RE: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 02:51:20 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10529 Message: 10606

And it's heading towards summer here too, then it will be our turn, hi hi.

Well done, north pole open today, managed to get the FJ on RTTY!

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, 17 August 2009 2:17 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] CW WAC in 48 minutes

All CW between 17:16 and 18:04, 6 consecutive QSOs. SFI=68, A=3, K=1

ZD8RH (AF - 17M)
KH7XS (OC - 20M)
W3DF (NA - 20M)
LX1NO (EU - 20M)
A61Q (AS - 20M)
PY2SP (SA - 17M)

(Yes, I'm bored!)

73, Paul VE1DX

10607. Re: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF card received

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 03:08:52 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10594 Message: 10607

Congrats on the 7O1 QSL !

My neighbor (quarter mile) AC9S, found a 7O1YGF QSO in his paper log over this past weekend; one that he had somehow overlooked when he transferred his logs to computer. He uploaded to LOTW and shortly had the confirmation. I have 7O8AA on the wall; now if I could just find a couple I need in my old contest (paper) logs.....

73 ES DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Zack Widup
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 1:27 PM
To: DX List
Subject: [DX-IS] 7O1YGF card received

Wow! I sent my card direct to DJ3XD on August 13, 2009 and just got the 7O1YGF card today. Fast turnaround!

I'm sure he knows he's going to be getting a lot of QSL requests for a while.

Now if I could just get a card for Montenegro. I've been waiting over half a year for cards sent direct to three different stations.

73, Zack W9SZ

10608. RE: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 08:42:19 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10592 Message: 10608

A lot of VKs including myself, still need Mt. Athos, I know Monk Apollo is somewhat active, but he never seems to be able to get a signal out this way... Well, not very often. I did hear him faintly once on 20m SSB a couple of years ago but not strong enough to work...

The ones that I have missed (mainly due to lack of propagation) over the last 3 years have been 7O, CE0X, 3Y0B, SV2/A, TI9, FR/J

Oh well, keep at 'em,

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Tuesday, 25 August 2009 9:20 AM
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10609. Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 11:31:39 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10568 Message: 10609

Hope you have some sunpots in your IRA!! hi hi

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@...> wrote:
>
> Art,
>
> I will be retired on June 5 2010 and will be going over in Late August 2010 to set up something's. I am working on A25 foe CQWWSSB contest in Oct 2010 and could do the CW contest in November if anyone wants to go.
>
> Charles F. Frost
> Frosty
> frosty1@...
> http://www.africandxsafari.com
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: aburkefl
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 3:02 PM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
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>
> Have you retired or close enough to retirement to go to Africa other than during the (our) summer?
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@> wrote:
> >
> > Wow Art,
> > I did work several in FL on 20 and 17 ssb. Oh well next year will be in A25 for CQWWSSB contest. Work you then.
> >
> >
> > Charles F. Frost
> > Frosty
> > frosty1@
> > http://www.africandxsafari.com
> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: aburkefl
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 5:50 AM

> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
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> >
> > I don't think I ever heard you guys!
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
> >
> > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Art,
> > > Missed you from 7P8 were you on vacation?
> > >
> > >
> > > Charles F. Frost
> > > Frosty
> > > frosty1@
> > > http://www.africandxsafari.com
> > >
> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > From: aburkefl
> > > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > > Sent: Sunday, August 23, 2009 9:29 AM
> > > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
> > >
> > >
> > > My wife (N4BU) worked him on both 17 and 20 SSB and I worked him on
> > > 20 SSB. (Only needed it on phone.) This past Thursday morning (local time) he had a very good signal into central Florida - an honest 59 - on 20M SSB. Hadn't heard him at all prior to that.
> > >
> > > It was my understanding his amp quit functioning and then he got it working again.
> > >
> > > Art - N4PJ
> > >
> > > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@> wrote:
> > > >
> > > >
> > > >
> > > > Did any NA work him?Â Never heard him in Michigan.....saw lots of spots on 18 and 10, but can't put spots in log :(
> > > >
> > > > Dale K8TS
> > > >
> > > > Jackson, MI
> > > >
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> > > No virus found in this incoming message.
> > > Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> > > Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.64/2321 - Release Date: 08/23/09 06:18:00
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> > No virus found in this incoming message.
> > Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> > Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.65/2322 - Release Date: 08/23/09 18:03:00
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.65/2324 - Release Date: 08/24/09 12:55:00
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10610. Re: HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 11:35:19 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10592 Message: 10610

I have something like 328 mixed, 320 CW and 299 on phone. Worked an EY8 a few weeks back and he also suggests registered mail. Haven't sent for the QSL yet. Often wonder if registered is any better (secure) in the former Soviet satellites than regular mail.

Also worked C21TU on SSB - that QSL might prove to be a tad easier!

Over the years, I generally never really complained about the cost of QSLing. Had a great job, nice income (wife also worked and no children). Fortunately, now that it's really getting much more expensive, I need very little, so the cost has gone way down. LotW has helped and even eQSL has helped some.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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>
> Zack;
>
> Don't feel bad, 38 years here and have yet to hear a YA.Â Did finally snag an A9 this last ARRL.Â Cost me bucket of bolts though.Â QRZ lookup told to send registered.Â SASE ($3.00). Registerd ($11.00), and couple green stamps for good measure. Took only about 60 days though.
>
> Dale K8TS
>
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 9:37:01 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?
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>
> Interesting point, Brian. I also have not worked an HC8 in a while. Maybe people who have routinely gone there in the past decided to go to other places for a change.
>
> Hopefully there will be more activity from there inÂ this comingÂ contest season!
>
> Maybe some day I can work an A9, EPÂ or YA. I know there's activity from those places; I just haven't been able to get one in the log.

>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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>
> On Mon, Aug 24, 2009 at 8:19 AM, Brian Alsop < alsopb@... > wrote:
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>
> Very suprising not to see a single HC8 in the log for all of 2009.
> Last year there were ten. They would be on in every contest.
>
> 73 de Brian/K3KO
>
>
> No virus found in this outgoing message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.65/2323 - Release Date: 08/24/09 06:05:00
>

10611. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 15:32:17 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10592 Message: 10611

>Was not there an award one time for working
>some HC8's and an HD8?
>Dale K8TS

Doesn't ring a bell with me. I've had 160 Qs with HC8N alone over the years and never heard of a certificate. But K1BV might know - there are certificates for doing all sorts of things these days!

Derek aa5bt

10612. 9V1YC on 20, wow!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 15:50:49 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10612 Message: 10612

Calling CQ USA 1345 UTC, I heard him on my dipole and my 43 foot vertical.
First time I ever heard 9V.

And I just took down my 2 element hex yagi last weekend in prep for the move
to a new QTH. Well, timing is everything.

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

Hillsborough, NC - FM06kb

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<http://wd4elg.net> http://wd4elg.blogspot.com

10613. OT: 7O - more unrest and dismal outlook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 15:56:14 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10613 Message: 10613

The proxy wars continue in Yemen, and therefore the dangers to visiting ham operators also continue.

http://www.debka.com/article.php?aid=1402

Interesting analysis, not necessarily hobby-related, but certainly worth observing in the continued unrest in the area.

Mark Lunday

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10614. Re: [DX-IS] 9V1YC on 20, wow!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 15:59:33 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10612 Message: 10614

>>Calling CQ USA 1345 UTC, I heard him on my dipole and
>>my 43 foot vertical. First time I ever heard 9V.

James was off the air for a few months, but seems to be back again on a regular basis. He's probably everyone's best chance for a 9V QSO. And the QSL should be easy - N5ID took over from me a few years back but had health problems and the mgr is now Randy W5UE (who is also the current HC8N manager). He's a wonderful manager.

I'd like a 9V on 80m - I tried a sked with James one time, he heard me but I didn't hear him. My only Zone 28 on 80m was with a /MM in CQWW-CW one time, and it doesn't count for WAZ. Oh well, it must be boring to work everything...

derek aa5bt

10615. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 16:02:57 UTC
From: WA8WV@aol.com
Topic: 10592 Message: 10615

> >Was not there an award one time for working
> >some HC8's and an HD8?

Yes, there was/is. Try this link from PA3GIO... towards the bottom

http://www.pa3gio.nl/HC8/

Not able to find link to the awards direct. Rick NE8Z, HC1MD was
responsible for one of them.

DX,
Dave WA8WV

10616. Re: [DX-IS] 9V1YC on 20, wow!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 17:31:12 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10612 Message: 10616

Mark
I saw spots for him from starting at 1315 UTC, but I didn't hear him
here near Atlanta until about the same time you did.
He was very readable but disappeared in about 5 minutes. I know he was
still there because there were still US hams working him.
Frustrating but the most hopeful yet (I hadn't heard a 9V before either).
GL and 73
frank w0ecs

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>
> Mark Lunday
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> WD4ELG
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> Hillsborough, NC - FM06kb
>
> wd4elg@... <mailto:wd4elg@...>
>
> http://wd4elg.net <http://wd4elg.net>
>
> http://wd4elg.blogspot.com <http://wd4elg.net>
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>

10617. RE: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 18:20:40 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10592 Message: 10617

At 01:42 AM 8/25/2009, someone wrote:

>A lot of VKs including myself, still need Mt. Athos, I know Monk
>Apollo is somewhat active, but he never seems to be able to get a
>signal out this way... Well, not very often. I did hear him faintly
>once on 20m SSB a couple of years ago but not strong enough to work...

I am not familiar with Monk Apollo's story. Are DXpeditions not
allowed on SV/A? It would seem a natural for European DXers to activate.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10618. Re: [DX-IS] 9V1YC on 20, wow!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 18:40:32 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10612 Message: 10618

Worked 3 times on 20

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St. Louis County Missouri

--- On Tue, 8/25/09, Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...> wrote:

From: Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 9V1YC on 20, wow!
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2009, 12:31 PM

Mark
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here near Atlanta until about the same time you did.
He was very readable but disappeared in about 5 minutes. I know he was
still there because there were still US hams working him.
Frustrating but the most hopeful yet (I hadn't heard a 9V before either).
GL and 73
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10619. 7O1YGF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 18:42:59 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10619 Message: 10619

Card received today

mailed Aug 16 received today

2 week turnaround -- very good

17/20/40 confirmed

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10620. Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 19:22:21 UTC
From: k0bx@arrl.net
Topic: 10592 Message: 10620

Back in the 70 and 80's there were several DXpeditions to Mt. Athos. Then someone went and did not have permission from the top guy? The Monk got mad and then went QRT for several years. Since that time no one else has operated from there except the Monk.

Joe K0BX

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--- On Tue, 8/25/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

> From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2009, 11:20 AM
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> allowed on SV/A? It would seem a natural for European
> DXers to activate.
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> Dick
> --
> Dick Flanagan K7VC
> dick@...
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> mailto:DX-IS-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com
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10621. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 19:27:16 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10592 Message: 10621

There was a German guest op from Monk Apollo's QTH in the mid-90's, I believe. I worked him. He was a great CW op. Monk Apollo did all the QSL'ing for it himself.
Other than that, I have a feeling Monk Apollo isn't going to agree to any DXpedition operating from there. Mt. Athos is a very closed-off conclave.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Aug 25, 2009 at 2:22 PM, k0bx@... <k0bx@...> wrote:

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>
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> someone went and did not have permission from the top guy? The Monk got mad
> and then went QRT for several years. Since that time no one else has
> operated from there except the Monk.
>
> Joe K0BX
>
> Stop the insanity!
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> without my permission.
>
> --- On Tue, 8/25/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@... <dick%40k7vc.com>>
> wrote:
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> > From: Dick Flanagan <dick@... <dick%40k7vc.com>>
> > Subject: RE: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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> > dick@... <dick%40k7vc.com>
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10622. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 19:35:25 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10592 Message: 10622

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Joe K0BX

I know Baldur DJ6SI managed to operate from there for ~3 days when
I was out of town in 1991 - the operation was DXCC-approved but
apparently offended the Greeks. The only time I've heard/worked
it was when Apollo's friend DL5EBE operated the station for a few
days in Sep 98, and that was all, or mostly, CW. So I have him
to thank for my only SV/A and 7O CW contacts.

Mt Athos is a strange place - do some Googling on it!

Derek aa5bt

10623. [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 19:53:55 UTC
From: k0bx@arrl.net
Topic: 10592 Message: 10623

I know I worked some German's but I am not home to look them up. It was before 1990 as they are not in my LOTW. Here is the stations I have worked.

K0BX SV1JG/A 1980-04-21 04:56:00 20M SSB 14.19500
Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 2007-05-17 01:15:00 20M CW 14.04000
Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 2002-05-01 21:59:00 20M RTTY 14.08400
Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 1998-09-11 21:33:00 20M CW 14.00500
Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 1998-09-10 21:36:00 20M CW 14.00700

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--- On Tue, 8/25/09, Derek Wills <oo7@...> wrote:

> From: Derek Wills <oo7@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2009, 12:35 PM
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10624. SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 19:52:56 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10624 Message: 10624

You can a feel for some of the problems by looking at:

http://www.eham.net/articles/3131

and there are probably more recent discussions.

I remember that when I was QSL manager for HC8N, I either sent
or received a card for the first SV/A - HC8 QSO on 80m SSB!

Derek aa5bt

10625. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 20:22:41 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10592 Message: 10625

Phone, RTTY and CW are relatively easy from there. What is really
needed is a YL operation ....

For those with access to it there was a very interesting article on Mt.
Athos in the August 1999 issue of the Smithsonian Magazine.

73,
Bob
K2TK

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>> Derek aa5bt
>>
>
>

10626. Re: [DX-IS] SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 20:23:09 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10624 Message: 10626

It seems Mt. Athos has always been a Pandora's box as long as I can remember. People have requested that it be removed from the DXCC list but it never has been. It looks like getting an operation going from KP1 or KP5 is even an easier project than operating from Mt. Athos.

If Monk Apollo were making regular QSO's from there like the one-man operations of A22MN, 7P8SR, TL8NG, 9X5HG, XT2BW, etc. of the past it might be a different story. But it appears he doesn't work much CW and has more limited operating times than those mentioned above had. I worked these people numerous times; they were living in those countries for extended periods of time and worked the pileups down considerably. Near the end of his stay, 7P8SR would call CQ on 40 CW with no takers.

73, Zack W9SZ

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10627. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 20:29:53 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10592 Message: 10627

Phone, RTTY and CW are relatively easy from there. What is really
needed is a YL operation ....

YLs? Not from SV/A this century!

I dunno about 'relatively easy' - relative to what, North Korea?
The call is often pirated, especially on CW, and Monk Apollo tends
to be active on bands/times that are hard/imposssible for the US.
Ah well, he does get on the air, but he doesn't spoon-feed us.

Derek
aa5bt

10628. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 20:39:17 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10592 Message: 10628

At 01:29 PM 8/25/2009, Derek Wills wrote:
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I have P5, but I need SV/A for Phone HR. Here's hoping I (and Monk Apollo) live long enough.

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10629. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 20:43:57 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10592 Message: 10629

Worked the monk on 4 bands now. Need one more

Sent from my iPhone - Mike- E
Servant to Bridget, Collin and all my creditors. Aye !!!

On Aug 25, 2009, at 3:39 PM, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

At 01:29 PM 8/25/2009, Derek Wills wrote:
>I dunno about 'relatively easy' - relative to what, North Korea?

I have P5, but I need SV/A for Phone HR. Here's hoping I (and Monk
Apollo) live long enough.

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10630. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 20:49:35 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 10592 Message: 10630

YUP!!!

And if there were radio logs going back to the 10th century I don't
think you would find one either.

73,
Bob
K2TK

Derek Wills wrote:
> Phone, RTTY and CW are relatively easy from there. What is really
> needed is a YL operation ....
>
> YLs? Not from SV/A this century!
>
> I dunno about 'relatively easy' - relative to what, North Korea?
> The call is often pirated, especially on CW, and Monk Apollo tends
> to be active on bands/times that are hard/imposssible for the US.
> Ah well, he does get on the air, but he doesn't spoon-feed us.
>
> Derek
> aa5bt
>
>

10631. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 20:58:35 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 10592 Message: 10631

Working Mt. Athos and confirming Mt. Athos are two different things.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in SW Wisconsin USA, who doesn't have it confirmed - yet

10632. RE: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 21:36:23 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10592 Message: 10632

If anyone cares, and I'm pretty sure no one does, my first QSO with Mt. Athos was in 1973 and the last, with Apollo's station operated by DL5EBE on CW, was in 1998. While I have heard Apollo several times in the last 11 years, I have not bothered to enter the fray. My QSOs were only on 15 and 20 CW & SSB.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of k0bx@...
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 4:54 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

I know I worked some German's but I am not home to look them up. It was before 1990 as they are not in my LOTW. Here is the stations I have worked.

K0BX SV1JG/A 1980-04-21 04:56:00 20M SSB 14.19500

Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 2007-05-17 01:15:00 20M CW 14.04000
Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 2002-05-01 21:59:00 20M RTTY 14.08400
Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 1998-09-11 21:33:00 20M CW 14.00500
Details K0BX SV2ASP/A 1998-09-10 21:36:00 20M CW 14.00700

Stop the insanity!
Please do not add me to any distribution lists (Joke, Stories or Junk) without my permission.

--- On Tue, 8/25/09, Derek Wills <oo7@...> wrote:

> From: Derek Wills <oo7@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2009, 12:35 PM
>   Back in the 70 and
> 80's there were several DXpeditions to Mt. Athos.
>   Then someone went and did not
> have permission from the top guy?
>   The Monk got mad and then went QRT for several years. Since

> that
>   time no one else has operated
> from there except the Monk.
>   Joe K0BX
>
> I know Baldur DJ6SI managed to operate from there for ~3 days when I
> was out of town in 1991 - the operation was DXCC-approved but
> apparently offended the Greeks. The only time I've heard/worked it
> was when Apollo's friend DL5EBE operated the station for a few days in
> Sep 98, and that was all, or mostly, CW. So I have him to thank for
> my only SV/A and 7O CW contacts.
>
> Mt Athos is a strange place - do some Googling on it!
>
> Derek aa5bt
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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>
>   mailto:DX-IS-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com
>
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>

Yahoo! Groups Links

10633. Re: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 22:09:01 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10568 Message: 10633

Don't have anything but teacher retirement and Social Security so not much but don't need much.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 6:31 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU

Hope you have some sunpots in your IRA!! hi hi

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@...> wrote:
>
> Art,
>
> I will be retired on June 5 2010 and will be going over in Late August 2010 to set up something's. I am working on A25 foe CQWWSSB contest in Oct 2010 and could do the CW contest in November if anyone wants to go.
>
> Charles F. Frost
> Frosty
> frosty1@...
> http://www.africandxsafari.com
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: aburkefl
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 3:02 PM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
>
>
> Have you retired or close enough to retirement to go to Africa other than during the (our) summer?
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@> wrote:
> >
> > Wow Art,

> > I did work several in FL on 20 and 17 ssb. Oh well next year will be in A25 for CQWWSSB contest. Work you then.
> >
> >
> > Charles F. Frost
> > Frosty
> > frosty1@
> > http://www.africandxsafari.com
> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: aburkefl
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 5:50 AM
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
> >
> >
> > I don't think I ever heard you guys!
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
> >
> > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Frosty" <frosty1@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Art,
> > > Missed you from 7P8 were you on vacation?
> > >
> > >
> > > Charles F. Frost
> > > Frosty
> > > frosty1@
> > > http://www.africandxsafari.com
> > >
> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > From: aburkefl
> > > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > > Sent: Sunday, August 23, 2009 9:29 AM
> > > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: C2ITU
> > >
> > >
> > > My wife (N4BU) worked him on both 17 and 20 SSB and I worked him on
> > > 20 SSB. (Only needed it on phone.) This past Thursday morning (local time) he had a very good signal into central Florida - an honest 59 - on 20M SSB. Hadn't heard him at all prior to that.
> > >
> > > It was my understanding his amp quit functioning and then he got it working again.
> > >
> > > Art - N4PJ
> > >
> > > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@> wrote:
> > > >
> > > >

> > > >
> > > > Did any NA work him?Â Never heard him in Michigan.....saw lots of spots on 18 and 10, but can't put spots in log :(
> > > >
> > > > Dale K8TS
> > > >
> > > > Jackson, MI
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> > > No virus found in this incoming message.
> > > Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> > > Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.64/2321 - Release Date: 08/23/09 06:18:00
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> > No virus found in this incoming message.
> > Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> > Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.65/2322 - Release Date: 08/23/09 18:03:00
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.65/2324 - Release Date: 08/24/09 12:55:00
>

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.67/2326 - Release Date: 08/25/09 18:07:00

10634. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10634

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:Issued: 2009 Aug 25 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 237 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Aug 2009
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visible on the disk, and no flares were observed.
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IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. The wind speed at ACE continues to
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Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Aug 067
Predicted 26 Aug-28 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 25 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Aug 001/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Aug 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Aug-28 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Aug-28 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10635. RE: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-25 23:50:47 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10592 Message: 10635

--- On Tue, 8/25/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

> My QSOs were only on 15 and 20 CW & SSB.

Then you should still be chasing him on 6 meters :)

73s John AA5JG

10636. RE: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 00:02:19 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10592 Message: 10636

Sorry, John, but in all the years I have been a ham I have NEVER had any interest in 6M. In fact, the first time I ever listened to the band -- within the last month!!! -- I heard absolutely nothing. Years ago, long before cable TV, a local near me had great success on 6 but he had no friends in his neighbourhood. Perhaps that scared me off.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 8:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

--- On Tue, 8/25/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

> My QSOs were only on 15 and 20 CW & SSB.

Then you should still be chasing him on 6 meters :)

73s John AA5JG

Yahoo! Groups Links

10637. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 02:40:06 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 10592 Message: 10637

Hi Derek:

This may be what you are thinking of. NE8Z/HC1MD is a US doctor who maintains connections with Ecuador and often volunteers medical services to folks in that country.
He offers the following two awards as taken from my Awards Directory:

*ECUADOR DX-TA-SEA DX Club Series*
General Requirements: Sponsored by DX-TA-SEA Club (WW8DX). Available for amateurs/SWL's. Contacts must be after 20 Nov 1945. Contacts may be made under different personal callsigns, but all must be made from same country. Endorsements by band, mode or QRP (<5w). GCR list and fee of $US5 (or equivalent foreign currency accepted at current rates) or 10 IRC's. Endorsements are SAE and $US2 or 4 IRC's. All of the awards are free to Ecuadorean stations and Ecuadorean SWL's. Apply to Dr. Rick Dorsch NE8Z/HC1MD, PO Box 616, Hamburg, MI 48139-0616.

* Equatorial Line Diploma*
Confirm contacts with the 20 different Ecuadorean HC and HD prefix areas HC1-0 and HD1-0, including HC8/HD8 Galapagos Islands and HC9/HD9 and HC0/HD0 Special Event and Contest stations.
Class D - Brass - Contacts with 1-5 prefixes.
Class C - Bronze - Contacts with 6-10 prefixes.
Class B - Silver - Contacts with 11-15 prefixes.
Class A - Gold - Contacts with 16-20 prefixes.
A special trophy awarded free of charge to those holding the Class A Gold Diploma and confirming all 20 prefixes.

* HC8/HD8 Galapagos DX Diploma*
Confirm contacts with a minimum of 3 different HC8/HD8 stations in the Galapagos islands. A special endorsement for confirmation with 8 different Galapagos stations, one of which must be a HD8 call sign.

Hope this might be of some value.

Ted Melinosky K1BV
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Derek Wills wrote:
> >Was not there an award one time for working
> >some HC8's and an HD8?
> >Dale K8TS
>
> Doesn't ring a bell with me. I've had 160 Qs with HC8N alone
> over the years and never heard of a certificate. But K1BV
> might know - there are certificates for doing all sorts of
> things these days!

>
> Derek aa5bt
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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?WPCN

10638. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 11:20:30 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10592 Message: 10638

A YL at an all MALE Monastery ?? C'est possible, nes pas?

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 4:22 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Phone, RTTY and CW are relatively easy from there. What is really
needed is a YL operation ....

For those with access to it there was a very interesting article on Mt.
Athos in the August 1999 issue of the Smithsonian Magazine.

73,
Bob
K2TK

k0bx@... wrote:
> I know I worked some German's but I am not home to look them up. It was before 1990 as
they are not in my LOTW. Here is the stations I have worked.
>
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>
>
> Stop the insanity!
> Please do not add me to any distribution lists (Joke, Stories or Junk) without my
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> --- On Tue, 8/25/09, Derek Wills <oo7@...> wrote:
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>> From: Derek Wills <oo7@...>
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>> Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2009, 12:35 PM
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>> 80's there were several DXpeditions to Mt. Athos.
>> Then someone went and did not
>> have permission from the top guy?
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>> time no one else has operated
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>> Joe K0BX
>>
>> I know Baldur DJ6SI managed to operate from there for ~3
>> days when
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>> heard/worked
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>> a few
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>> have him
>> to thank for my only SV/A and 7O CW contacts.
>>
>> Mt Athos is a strange place - do some Googling on it!
>>
>> Derek aa5bt
>>
>
>

10639. Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 11:22:17 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10592 Message: 10639

Do I remember a post from a few years ago that the radio at SV/A failed and they were hoping to have a new one 'donated'?

DD, W1MCE
----- Original Message -----
From: Derek Wills
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 4:29 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Mt Athos?

Phone, RTTY and CW are relatively easy from there. What is really
needed is a YL operation ....

YLs? Not from SV/A this century!

I dunno about 'relatively easy' - relative to what, North Korea?
The call is often pirated, especially on CW, and Monk Apollo tends
to be active on bands/times that are hard/imposssible for the US.
Ah well, he does get on the air, but he doesn't spoon-feed us.

Derek
aa5bt

10640. Re: [DX-IS] SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 11:32:23 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10624 Message: 10640

A monastery has a complete time discipline 24/7 beginning with a full prayer life, up to seven times a day for structured prayer [Liturgy of The Hours], possibly taking more than 4 hours a day, Mass, a personal commitment to physical work [labor] to sustain the community, a time for advanced study, and disciplined community interaction [socially].

Time for purely personal 'pleasure' is simply very low on the priority scale.

If you really want to have SV/A on the air get permission from the Superior of the Community for a month long retreat, and give up one or two hours of sleep a night to operate. :-) ... really, it is a fully disciplined community with very little non scheduled time for worldly pursuits.

DD, W1MCE [Reverend]

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 4:23 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] SV/A

It seems Mt. Athos has always been a Pandora's box as long as I can remember. People have requested that it be removed from the DXCC list but it never has been. It looks like getting an operation going from KP1 or KP5 is even an easier project than operating from Mt. Athos.

If Monk Apollo were making regular QSO's from there like the one-man operations of A22MN, 7P8SR, TL8NG, 9X5HG, XT2BW, etc. of the past it might be a different story. But it appears he doesn't work much CW and has more limited operating times than those mentioned above had. I worked these people numerous times; they were living in those countries for extended periods of time and worked the pileups down considerably. Near the end of his stay, 7P8SR would call CQ on 40 CW with no takers.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Aug 25, 2009 at 2:52 PM, Derek Wills <oo7@...> wrote:

You can a feel for some of the problems by looking at:

http://www.eham.net/articles/3131

and there are probably more recent discussions.

I remember that when I was QSL manager for HC8N, I either sent
or received a card for the first SV/A - HC8 QSO on 80m SSB!

Derek aa5bt

10641. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 11:58:25 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 10641

Yawn!!!

"Predicted 26 Aug-28 Aug 068/068/068"

Someday it will change!! The question is WHEN ?????????????

:-)

Thanks for the daily reporting. It lets me mow the lawn, go grocery shopping, go to the mall, buy supplies at Home Depot, etc., in total confidence.

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 6:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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Observed 25 Aug 067
Predicted 26 Aug-28 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 25 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices

Observed Afr/Ap 24 Aug 001/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Aug 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Aug-28 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Aug-28 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10642. conditions - the magic of radio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 12:30:52 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10642 Message: 10642

So, hoping for a repeat of yesterday's "good" HF conditions, I turned on the radio this morning to hear virtually nothing.

I just happened to be here yesterday and was surprised and very pleased when I heard and worked DU3NXE, RW9JZ and a little later VU2RMS. A bit after that I ventured to SSB (one of those rare occasions) and worked GB111HP off the back of his beam and then A71EM. And considering the low point in the sunspot cycle I thought that was pretty good.

I should have known there would not be a second day of this!

Today, with the beam in the same direction at the same time of day, I can hear an HB9 calling CQ, a DJ6 calling someone he has not identified and I cannot hear anyway, and a YU also calling CQ. They're all very weak.

This is exactly why I got into this hobby all those years ago. It is uncertain and magical.

Maybe tomorrow will be better. Maybe not!

73

Al, VE1AL

10643. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 12:38:25 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9721 Message: 10643

Deacon Dave wrote:Yawn!!!
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>
> "Predicted 26 Aug-28 Aug 068/068/068"
>
> Someday it will change!! The question is WHEN ?????????????
>
> :-)
>
> Thanks for the daily reporting. It lets me mow the lawn, go grocery
> shopping, go to the mall, buy supplies at Home Depot, etc., in total
> confidence.

Good Morning Gang:

The only possibly good thing about "Aug-28 Aug 068/068/068" is that it has the potential to bring a good season on 160, and it's getting closer. Bring it on!

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

10644. Re: [DX-IS] HC8 extinct?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 16:53:53 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10592 Message: 10644

Ah, I thought you would know if anyone does! Thanks -

Derek aa5bt

10645. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-26 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10645

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to 26/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 25/2100Z to 26/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet levels. One isolated
unsettled period was observed between 26/0000 - 0300Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet to unsettled on days one and two (27 - 28
August), due to effects from a coronal hole. Quiet conditions are
expected on day three (29 August).
III. Event Probabilities 27 Aug-29 Aug
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Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 26 Aug 067
Predicted 27 Aug-29 Aug 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 26 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 Aug 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 Aug 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 Aug-29 Aug 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 Aug-29 Aug
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10646. ARLD034 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-27 21:48:45 UTC
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Topic: 5842 Message: 10646

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ARLD034 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 34 ARLD034
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT August 27, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD034
ARLD034 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MALTA, 9H. Members of the Dutch Society of Radio Amateurs will be QRV with special callsign 9H9PA from Qawra from September 5 to 28. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via PB9ZR.

SOLOMON ISLANDS, H4. Mike, KM9D and Jan, KF4TUG are QRV as H44MY from Rennell Island, IOTA OC-127. Their length of stay is unknown. QSL both calls via OM2SA.

SWITZERLAND, HB. Members of the Tera Radio Club will be QRV as HB9VELO during the month of September to mark the UCI Road World Championships taking place in Mendrisio. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via HB9OCR.

SARDINIA, IS0. Rolf, DL6ZFG will be QRV as IS0/homecall from August 31 to September 18. He will be active holiday style mainly on 40, 30 and 20 meters using all modes. QSL to home call.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8J7M will be QRV from Honshu Island, IOTA AS-007, from September 1 to December 31. QSL via bureau.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Kuro, JH0MGJ is QRV as AL5A/WH0 from Saipan, IOTA OC-086, until August 31. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters. QSL direct via JA7JEC.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Operators Theo, PA1TK, Kees, PA5WT and Rob, PA3GVI will be QRV as LX/homecalls from September 4 to 7. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. Another station will be active

on 2 meters in the upcoming IARU VHF contest. QSL to home calls.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Peter, OH0JWL, Horst, OH0/DF6FL and Siegfried, OH0/DL9ZE are QRV from Eckeroe until September 12. Activity is mainly on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

DENMARK, OZ. Ric, DL2VFR is QRV as OZ0FR/p from the Vesborg Fyr Lighthouse, ARLHS DEN-046, on Samsoe Island, IOTA EU-172, until September 4. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL to home call.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, P2. Allan, VK2GR is QRV as P29CW until December from the Western Province while on work assignment with the Australian Doctors International. Activity is in his spare time. QSL direct via VK2IR.

GREECE, SV. Gabi, HA1YA is QRV as J48YA from Thassos Island, IOTA EU-174, until September 8. QSL via operator's instructions.

CANADA, VE. George, K3GV will be QRV as homecall/VY2 from Prince Edward Island, IOTA NA-029, from September 1 to 28. Activity will be mainly on 20 and 15 meters. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC Sprint, ALARA Contest, SCC RTTY Championship, YO DX HF Contest, Kansas QSO Party and the SARL HF CW Contest are all on tap for this weekend. Please see August QST, page 76, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10647. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-27 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10647

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http-equiv=Content-Type content="text/html;
charset=iso-8859-1"></HEAD><BODY><PRE>:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Aug 27 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 239 Issued at 2200Z on 27 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet to unsettled on day one (28 August) due to
effects from a coronal hole. Quiet conditions are expected on days
two and three (29 - 30 August).
III. Event Probabilities 28 Aug-30 Aug
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
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10648. Four-square or hex beam for 20 meters?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-28 13:52:42 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10648 Message: 10648

Maybe both? I have the hex, it works great at 32 feet, but not for very low angles.

Looking into a 20 meter four-square. This will get me the low angles (as I understand it) but the gain won't be near what the hex is, right?

Mark Lunday

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10649. ARLP035 Propagation de K7RA

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ARLP035 Propagation de K7RA

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin 35 ARLP035
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA August 28, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP035
ARLP035 Propagation de K7RA

Last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP034 reported that the sporadic-E season was probably over, but then we heard from Mark Bell, K3MSB of Airville, Pennsylvania (FM19ut). He reports that nine days ago on August 19 he worked KG4NL in Guantanamo Bay (FK29) on 6 meter CW at 2208z.

KG4NL was weak in Pennsylvania with significant QSB, where Mark was running 100 watts into a five element Yagi at 20 feet.

Bill Rinker, NE9Z in Moran, Wyoming wrote in to ask how the Solar Flux Index is measured. Bill is in the Teton National Forest, about 20 miles south of Yellowstone National Park.

The solar flux readings are done at an observatory in Penticton, British Columbia, three times per day. The one we use for the official solar flux is the noon reading. The other readings are done in the morning and afternoon.

You can see all of those readings for the past few years at http://tinyurl.com/ks8tvn. The ones to pay attention to are the readings at 2000z (which are shown in the table as 200000 in the second column) and the observed flux values are in the fifth column. The sixth column shows adjusted flux values, which are corrected for variations in the distance from Earth to Sun. The adjusted values may be useful for measuring what the Sun is doing, but the observed flux gives an indicator of the relative amount of 2.8 GHz energy that is reaching Earth. 10.7 cm is the approximate wavelength at 2.8 GHz.

The page at http://www.spaceweather.ca/sx-eng.php has more detailed information about the solar flux under "Information about the Programme."

Mark Lunday, WD4ELG of Hillsborough, North Carolina notes that as the Summer season slowly wanes, static on the lower frequencies is subsiding. Mark recently worked VQ9LA on 80 meters CW with 100 watts and a modest vertical.

Jeff Lackey, K8CQ of St. Simons Island, Georgia has written to us before with his observations on the number of zero sunspot days between cycles. This time he sent a graphic showing how this minimum is similar to the one prior to Cycle 19 (the big one) and earlier cycles, rather than more recent cycles after 19.

Currently we have had 48 continuous days of zero sunspots. Jeff said if this continues for the next couple of days, it will be the only cycle minimum since 1855 with two greater than 50 day runs of zero spots. Back then it was the transition to Cycle 10. It is happening right now, and it happened in 2008 also.

He notes, "There is still DX to be worked. You just have to be very patient. I heard the V73NF station on 40m CW earlier this week (Aug 24) about 1100 UTC but they didn't seem to be coming back to anyone in NA. So I'm not sure they were hearing very well. They finally went QRT and left a lot of us exasperated. This morning the KH2/K7BV operation was quite strong but the QRM for me was too much to be heard. They worked several NA stations from 1230 to 1300 UTC but I never could crack the pile up. I've got both DXCC entities before in previous operations; so I wasn't totally bummed out."

Jeff works all his DX with a flagpole antenna and by loading up his rain gutter.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet to unsettled conditions August 28, quiet August 29-30, quiet to unsettled August 31, September 1 quiet, quiet to unsettled September 2, and active conditions on September 3.

NOAA and the U.S. Air Force predict planetary A index for August 28 through September 6 at 5, 7, 10, 7, 5, 12, 7, 5, 8 and 6.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for August 20 through 26 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 67.6, 66.4, 66.6, 67.3, 67.6, 67.1, and 67.3 with a mean of 67.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 11, 8, 5, 5, 3, 3 and 4 with a mean of 5.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 8, 6, 3, 3, 1, 2 and 4 with a mean of 3.9.
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10650. [425ENG] 425 DX News #956

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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F - Members of the Radio Club Haute Saintonge (F5KLJ) will operate SSB, CW and digital modes as TM1MAD from Ile Madame (not IOTA, DIFM AT-024) on 5-6 September. QSl via F5KLJ, bureau preferred. [TNX F5NQL]
F - Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of radioactivity pioneer and Nobel laureate Pierre Curie, special event stations TM150RPC (QSL via F5KAZ) and TM0RPC (QSL via F5KEB) will be active on 6-20 September and 19 September-2 October respectively. [TNX F1SIU]
G - The Cray Valley Radio Society will be holding a "Ham Radio Summit Festival" on 30 August (10-19 UTC) from Shooters Hill, the highest point in South East London. Expect activity on the HF bands and 2 metres using the special callsign GB4SH. QSL via G4DFI. More details at www.qrz.com [TNX 2E0RCV]
KH0 - Kuny/7L1FPU (W1FPU) and his nine-year-old son Yoshiki/JF1UCV (KH0UA), Tomo/ JQ1OCR (N2QP) and his wife Yuri/KE7TWK, Hajime/AH0BR and Moto/W1NDE will be active as AH0BT from the Mariana Islands (OC-086) on 4-7 September, including a M/M entry in the All Asian DX Contest (SSB). QSL via 7L1FPU, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
LX - Theo/PA1TK, Kees/PA5WT and Rob/PA3GVI will be active as LX/ homecall from Luxembourg on 4-7 September. Theo will operate in the IARU VHF Contest (144 MHz), while Kees and Rob will focus on the HF bands (80-10 metres, CW and SSB). QSL via home calls. [TNX PA3GVI]
OH0 - Peter (OH0JWL, CW), Horst (OH0/DF6FL, CW and SSB) and Siegfried (OH0/DL9ZE, SSB and RTTY) will be active from Eckeroe, Aland Islands (EU-002) from 28 August to 12 September. Expect them to be QRV on 10, 15, 17 and 20 metres as preferred bands. QSL OH0JWL via DL5FF, others via home calls. [TNX DXNL]
OH - OH1BOI, OH1JJO and OH1FEQ will be active as OH1AV/2 from Vormo Island (EU-097) on 28-30 August. QSL via OH1BOI. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

ON - Special callsign ON4DAMIAN will be in use on 5-6 September and 3-4 October to mark the canonization of Father Damiaan de Veuster (1840-1889), a Belgian missionary who helped lepers on the Hawaiian island of Molokai. QSL via ON7LR, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
P2 - Allan, VK2GR will be active in his spare time as P29CW from Kiunga, Papua New Guinea (OC-034) between September and December. QSL direct only via VK2IR. [TNX MM0NDX]
PA - In October 1934 the KLM Douglas DC-2 "Uiver" (callsign PH-AJU) won the handicap section of the MacRobertson Trophy Air Race from London to Melbourne. Celebrating the 75th anniversary of that event, special station PA75AJU will be active on 1-29 September. QSL via PA3CAL, direct or bureau. [TNX PA3CAL]
SP - The Second World War started on 1 September 1939 with the invasion of Poland. A large number of "No More War" special stations will be active from that country between 1 September and 6 October: HF70NMW, SN70NMW, SO70NMW, HF70A, HF70E, HF70M, HF70N, HF70O, HF70R, HF70W, SN70A, SN70E, SN70M, SN70N, SN70O, SN70R, SN70W, SO70A, SO70E, SO70M, SO70N, SO70O, SO70R and SO70W. The event is organized by PZK, the Polish IARU society, and is supported by the Ministry of National Defence. Information on the relevant award can be found at http://www.pzk.org.pl/nomorewar [TNX F5NQL]
SV - A group of 11 operators will be active on the HF bands SSB as SX2IMA from Mount Rachia for the Greek Field Day on 5-6 September. QSL via SV2JAO (direct only). [TNX SV2LZX]
UA - Mike/RA1ALA, Alex/RX1AW and George/RW3AKN will be active as homecall/1 from Nemetskiy Kuzov Island (EU-147) from 29 August to 4 September. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
V5 - Look for V5/DJ2HD, V5/DK1CE and V5/DH3WO to be active from Namibia on 5-26 September. They will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB and CW. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
VE - Juergen, DL7RV will be active again as VO2/NF6J from Battle Island (NA-044) on 4-11 September. Look for him on 30, 20 and 15 metres CW only. QSL via DL7RV, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
W - Dick/N7RO, Johnny/KE7V and Yuri/N3QQ are expected to be active as N7RO/p from Tatoosh Island (NA-169) until 30 August. QSL via N7RO. [TNX N3QQ]
W - A large number of stations from the US will add /140 to their callsigns on 2-9 September to celebrate the 140th anniversary of the birth of Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW (1869-1936), co-founder and first president of the American Radio Relay League. Information on the event and the relevant certificate can be found at http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/08/17/11025/?nc=1
ZS - Special event callsign ZS10WCS will be aired from South Africa from September through 12 July 2010 for the FIFA World Cup (http://www.fifa.com/worldcup/index.html). Expect activity on a daily basis from 1 June through 12 July, while during the months leading up to the event the callsign will be in use during the weekends. QSL via the South African Radio League's bureau, whose mailing address for direct QSLling is: SARL, P.O. Box 1721,

Strubensvallei 1735, South Africa.

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Don/G3BJ and Hilary/G4JKS will be active as FO/G3BJ from the Austral Islands (Rurutu, OC-050 and Tubuai, OC-152) on 4-16 September, and as ZK2BJ from Niue (OC-040) on 18-25 September. They will operate holiday style mainly on CW on 10, 15, 20, 30, 40 and 80 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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AGB NEMIGA CONTEST ---> The Activity Group of Belarus sponsors the AGB-NEMIGA Contest to be held on 18 September, from 21 to 24 UTC, on 80 metres CW and SSB. Participation certificates in PDF format will be e-mailed to all entrants. Complete rules can be found at http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nemiga.htm [TNX EU1EU]

FT5GA ---> Propagation predictions for 6m from Glorioso do not look promising at all, and the only available antenna would be a 2-element HB9CV. The FT5GA has decided that it would not be worth the trouble, and therefore they will be QRV only on the HF bands (160-10 metres). [TNX http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/]

LOGS ---> The logsearch for 4W6AL is at http://www.algarvedx.com/.

SCC RTTY CHAMPIONSHIP ---> Organized by the Slovenia Contest Club, it will be held on 29-30 August (from 12 UTC to 11.59 UTC). Rules and results can be found at http://lea.hamradio.si/~scc/rtty/rtty.htm [TNX S50XX]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Heinz Topp (DJ2LE), William Allen (N6XD) and Denis Yakovlev (RA3LL). Vlad, UA6JD and his family would like to express their gratitude to the dozens of radio amateurs from all over the world who have offered their sympathy and condoncolences for the loss of Harry, UA6JW (www.qrz.com/db/ua6jw).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3Z80BEM SP9ZBC EO16IKF US6IKN OY3AA OZ1ACB
3Z8WFF SP8AJC EO16IKN US6IKN OZ0FR/p DL2VFR
4C50C XE1J EO16IT US6IKN PA09VUELTA PI4ASN

4J0FR F6FYD EO16IZ US6IKN PA09WSF PA0FAW
4K/F2VX F2VX ES20W ES1QD PA110LL PH2CV
4K9W DL6KVA ET3JA OK3AA PA150SLH PA0HFT
4L6QC LZ1OT EU6DA/p IK2DUW PA6URK PA3GNE
4U30VIC 4U1VIC EV1P/2 EW1YT PF27CAVENTE PA1DV
4W6AL CT1GFK FJ/W2VQ WQ2N PI4F PD1WAT
4W6FR VK4FW FJ/WQ2N WQ2N PJ7MF IZ1MHY
4X4DK VE3MR GB0BHL G0TQT R1FJM RX3MM
5B/G4MKP M0URX GB1DLH GB6BSR S51LGT S57LO
5B4AIF EB7DX GB1OL MM5DWW SF6LGT SK6NL
5R8CW F5FYO GB2BML M0CNP SH3O/5 SM3TLG
5R8DN IW1GIO GB2ELH MM5PSL SK7L SK7CA
5R8FU SM5DJZ GB2FL M3ZYZ SN0WFF SP5X
6M0HZ/2 HL1IWD GB2GNL GM4BKV SN120OSP SP4CUF
7S0SFJ SM0BYD GB2LBN GM4UYZ SN25IL SP9PEE
7S6LH SK6QW GB2LS MM1BHO SN2NP SP2BIK
7S7KUL SK7DD GB2SCA G0OOO SN5MPW SP7DQR
7X0MT F5MSR GB2SFL G0KOK SO0HAL SP5ZGO
7Z1HL DJ9ZB GB4LL G4WUA SO1EKO DL1EKO
8J1ASAHI JA1SKY GB4SML M1DZT SX8DI SV2GWY
8N1Y JL1RNE GB50ATG M5AEX T6AD K2AU
8S5LH SM5UGC GB5HOD G4IAR T6AF WA2EWE
9J2BO G3TEV GC4BRS GW0ANA TC17A TA2KI
9J2CA G3SWH H44MY OM2SA TC99K TA1HZ
9K2/SP4R SP4GFG H81L HP1RCP TC99Y TA1HZ
9M2QQ DF5UG HC2AQ EA5KB TF8GX KT6YL
9M4LHS 9M6DJC HC2SL EA5KB TM0LHG PA0HEL
9V1YC W5UE HF65GETTO SP7YLD TM4RSX F5KFL
A61AS YO3FRI HF6HQ SP7DQR TM65LA F5NEP
A61BK NI5DX HF900OG SP6TRX TN5SN IZ1BZV
A61Q EA7FTR HG8SDS HA8PH TY5ZR IK2IQD
A71EM EA7FTR HI8LAM EA5NI UE1RLH/6 RA1QY
AO1LW EA1NT HP3DX W4WX UE3DFF RK3DYB
AO8FLH EA8AKN HR9/WQ7R AI4U UE3LFF UA3LAF
C21TI EA4ATI HV50VR IV3KKW UE6GFF/6 UA6GG
C31CT EA3QS IE9X IZ4AKS UN7AB DL8KAC
CN8VO EA7FTR II4LH IK3MZS UR4MZM/P US1MM
CN8VX EA7FTR II8AB IZ8GFN UW0HFF UX2HB
CP4BT EA5KB II8LPC IZ8IQO V55V DJ8VC
CQ7GIL CS1AAM J48YA HA1YA V73NF JA2DSQ
CR5JNB CT2GSN JW8LGA LA8LGA V7XX JH2BNL
CR6LH CT1GZB K4LRA W4TBB VQ9JC ND9M
CW4T CX1TA KG4NL N2NL VR2009EAG VR2XMT
CX7CO WB3CDX KH2/K6SV K6HRO W2T N2OO
DA2009LH DH3WO KH2/K7BV K6HRO W8L K8PT
DK0WFF/P DK6AN KH6MB AI4U XR1A XQ1IDM
DM800VOGT DL8CX KL5DX N5XZ XV9DX OM3JW
DP3SSKW DK7FK KL7CQ AC7DX XX9LT XX9AH
DQ11APOLLO DF3JO L61E LU2DT YB0ECT K3AIR
DU3NXE W3HNK LA9K LA3QNA YI1RZ IK2DUW

E77XZ DK6XZ LM2T70Y LA2T YN2N TI2OHL
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EG2FSB EA2RKW LZ01WFF LZ1ZF Z21BC NI5DX
EG6CIB EA6JN LZ40ATSA LZ1PJ Z36T DJ0LZ
EH7FFD EB7DX MA0FME IZ2FME ZD8DC KJ4GNB
EK6LP DL8KAC MS0ARG MM0CIN ZL1IRD DF7EF
EK6TA DJ0MCZ N7C N7HG ZL4IR W8WC
EK6YL SP9LJD N7L K7VV ZL6LH ZL1VK
EM360B UY5BC OH0J OH1RX ZP6CW ZP6CU
EN500I DM5BB ON26IOF ON4AMM ZP8VAO K2DER
EN5R UY2RA ON6RVG ON6NB ZW50CVA PY1BMB
EO0UD UR7UT OR9W ON4CB ZZ6Z PY6HD

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10651. [425ENG] 425 DX News #956 [Calendar]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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10652. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-28 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10652

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10653. IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-29 01:38:09 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 10653 Message: 10653

I have 90 good IRC's for sale at 1.50 each.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

10654. Re: [DX-IS] IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-29 02:35:28 UTC
From: KIR
Topic: 10653 Message: 10654

When do these expire? I assume the PO has stamped in the appropriate place. What is the payment method? Thanks.

Ken, W4OFE

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10655. FR/G

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-29 04:16:28 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10655 Message: 10655

Visited thier web site.....pretty unclear when they will be able to operate. Anybody have any status or know anything?

Dale K8TS

10656. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-29 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10656

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10657. pob 73

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-30 02:41:57 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10657 Message: 10657

Anybody know if P0 Box 73 in Kazakhstan is another black hole like the old PO Box 88?

Got a qsl to send there

TIA

Dale K8TS

10658. FOR SALE CHEAP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-30 16:53:52 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 10658 Message: 10658
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

IRC'S for sale while quantities last. $1.00 each in bundles of 25 plus .75 shipping per bundle.
All stamped and will expire 12/31/2009.
If interested send email to? golist@...

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10659. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #923

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-30 18:54:32 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10659 Message: 10659

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 23rd-August, through Sunday, 30th-August there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H2, H3, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4U30VIC, AUSTRIA. The Vienna International Centre Amateur Radio Club (4U1VIC) will be on the air during the Worked All Europe DX Contest (WAEDC), September 12-13th. This will be a SSB only operation. The station is located in the secured United Nation campus in Vienna, Austria, and due to access restrictions, they will not be able to operate the full 48 hours continuously. They will try to be on the air as much as possible. 4U1VIC will send QSL cards for all QSOs via bureau. If you are in a hurry

you can send it direct including SAE and return postage to: AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, P.O.BOX 500, A-1400 VIENNA, AUSTRIA.
ADDED NOTE: A new video about the 4U1VIC Radio Club in Vienna is available online at: http://www.vimeo.com/6301009

6Y, JAMAICA. Look for 6Y1V to once again be active in this year's CQWW Contests. The 6Y1V team has also announced that they will also once again sponsor one young ham operator (21 or under) to join their team and receive an all expense paid trip to operate in the 2009 CQWW SSB or CW Contest with the 6Y1V team. You can reside in any country in the world and be considered for this opportunity provided you hold a valid amateur radio license in your country and have some contest experience. This is a gift to a young ham whom has a passion for Ham Radio and contesting. It is their way of giving something back to this great hobby that has given so much to them! Complete details are available at: http://www.6y1v.com/youth.htm

911 ACTIVITY. Mike, W0YR, will once again (as for the past several years) be active as W0YR/911 on September 11th, to honor/commemorate those lives lost in a terrorist attack at the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia, and the plane that crashed into a field near Shanksville,PA. He plans to operate as much of the day as possible. Mike states, "I just wanted to do it to remind those I work on the air of what this country endured because of hatred -- and also remind those who want to minimize it or forget it, that this WAS an Act of Terror and, even though they would like to revise history, the memory of those (among them, two of my friends) who perished on September 11th, 2001, will NEVER be forgotten or sullied." A special QSL will be issued. QSL via his home callsign.

C3, ANDORRA. Ruben/EA5BZ and possibly other operators from the URE Contest Group will be active as C37URE during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 26-27th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via EA5BZ.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update/Postponed). OPDX has received the following press release on Friday, August 28th (edited):
"The Sable Island DXpedition scheduled for October 19, 2009, by Randy - N0TG, Ron - AA4VK, and Murray - WA4DAN is being placed on 'hold'. Unfortunately, Randy's son, Carter (who was part of the KP1 and KP5 team in 1992), has developed kidney cancer which has spread to the lungs. Although there will be challenging days ahead for Carter and the family of N0TG, we trust the prayers of friends will strengthen this family and successfully bring all through this trial.
The team appreciates the many sponsors who were willing to provide their support, even though CY0 was not at the top of the most needed list, the support of the DX Community from around the world, and the interests shown by the many DX'ers that 'signed' the website Guestbook. We will leave the website up and updates will be posted from time to time on Carter's progress, as well as our plans to reschedule the DX-pedition to CY0. <http://www.cy0dxpedition.com/>
Our hope is that Carter will beat this disease and be able to join us

at Sable Island. We do consider this a 'hold' and we intend to reschedule as health concerns permit.
Thanks again to our ham radio friends for your support. We wish the best for Randy's son Carter and all the Rowe family. Randy's (N0TG) contact information is listed on QRZ.com..... Thanks for your prayers."

FG, GUADELOUPE (NA-102). Anthony, F4EUG, will be active as FG/F4EUG between September 3-10th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update/Magic Band). Didier, F5OGL, Glorioso 2009 team leader, announced this past week (on August 25th)(edited): "The propagation forecast for the Magic Band from Gloriosos is very bad at the expedition time; quiet in all directions. Taking advice from the 6 meters specialists, they inform us that chances to give FT5GA to the world hams are very low and even less. The only one antenna available is a 2 element HB9CV, with no other possibility to bring another or several other more efficient one(s), included for EME; So it has been considered we had to focus on HF bands. So we sadly decided to concentrate our activity only from 160 to 10 meters... We ask the 6m community to understand our decision." For more details and updates, visit the FT5GA Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr

HS8, THAILAND. Voravut, HS8JYX, is planning to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via HS8JYX.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-001. Willem, PA1WLB, on holiday, is active as SV5/PA1WLB from Kos Island (Loc. KM36OV) between now and September 6th. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters SSB (14189 and 7070 kHz; 5 kHz up/down). He will also be on RTTY (14089 kHz) or PSK (14071.5 kHz). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see details on QRZ.com).

EA-145. Operators from the Cambridge University Wireless Society will be active as CT/homecall from Ilha Deserta, Portugal, between September 4-6th. Activity will be on most HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via the operator's home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For details, see: http://www.domsmith.co.uk/amateur-radio/dxpeditions/2009/ct

NA-044. Juergen, NF6J, will be active as VO2/NF6J from Battle Island (CISA NF-049) between 1300z, September 4th to 2300z, September 11th. Activity will be on 30/20/15 meters CW only. QSL via DL7RV, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-127. As reported last week, Mike/KM9D (H44MY) and YL Jan/KF4TUG (H44TO) continue to be anchored at Tesauma on Rennell Island, Solomon Islands; length of stay is not known. Mike was heard this past week on 40/30/20/15 meters CW. QSL via OM2SA, direct or by LoTW.

SA-054. Members of the 4M5DX Group will be active as YW5O from La Orchila Island. Activity will be on all bands and modes. The group is awaiting the transportation schedule from the Venezuelan Navy. The exact days and team will be posted soon on the following Web page: http://www.yw5o.4m5dx.info

KH6, HAWAII. Esa, OH7WV, is planning to be active from here during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) or possibly Single-Op/All-Band entry. Callsign for the contest TBA. QSL via OH7WV.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For August 31st-September 6th)....
Aug 31 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Sep 1 AN ---------------
Sep 2 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 3 AN-HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 4 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
Sep 5 AN ----------------------
Sep 6 AN QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

N4, UNITED STATES (Submarine Activity). A group of amateur radio operators in Charleston, South Carolina, will activate N4H from the site of the Confederate Submarine H.L. Hunleyon, September 19-20th. The H.L. Hunleyon was raised on August 8th, 2000, and located at the Warren Lasch Conservation Center on the old Charleston navy base and is currently being preserved in a 90,000 gallon water tank as archeologists investigate the cause of the vessels sinking. The Hunley disappeared without a trace on a return journey after using a 135 lb. torpedo to sink the U.S.S. Housatonic four miles off the coast of Charleston, SC., on February 17th, 1864, making it "The World's First Successful Combat Submarine". The special event station N4H will be on the air to commemorate this historic event and is expected to be on ALL bands 160-10 meters. Operating times will be between 1300-2100z (may be extended). A specially designed QSL card will be available. QSL via: Edward Padgett, PO Box 61362, North Charleston, SC 29419. A donation of 2.00 USDs is required, no SASE is needed. All proceeds after expenses will be donated to "The Friends of The Hunley for Research and Conservation". Visit their Web page at: http://www.nn4f.com/n4h

NA5, UNITED STATES (Grid Activation/VHF Contest). Joey, W5BAK, will be heading to Big Bend National Park (DL88) for the January VHF Contest and plans to be active as NA5RC between January 15-20th (2010). He states, "Send me an E-mail to get on the mail list, and I will keep you updated. We will be rover from several of the other area grids too but DL88 is the goal." QSL via his home callsign.

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Members of the Florida Contest Group will be active as NP2B during the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are John/NP2B, Brian/KP2HC,

Ann/KP2YL, Frederick/K9VV and Lisa/W4LIS. Visit the Florida Contest Group's Web page at: http://www.floridacontestgroup.org

OH0, ALAND ISLANDS. Operators Peter/DL5FF, Horst/DF6FL and Siegfried/DL9ZE will be active as OH0JWL, OH0/DF6FL and OH0/DL9ZE, respectively, from Eckeroe Island (EU-002) between now and September 12th. Activity will be on 20/17/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

ON4, BELGIUM (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club of Binche (ON7RY) will activate the special event station ON4WAR, September 5-6th. Activity is to commemorate the Belgian resistance fighters (WWII), especially those of the Refuge B 40 in Waudrez (Belgium). The scheduled timetable of activities is as follows:
Saturday 6th - From 09:00 AM up to 06:00 PM (0700-1600z)
Sunday 7th - From 08:00 AM up to 04:00 PM (0600-1400z)
They announced, "At the hour up to the hour and a half CW transmissions with a Whaddom Paraset MK VII on 3560, 3579, 3583 and 7025 kHz. At the hour and a half up to the next hour, SSB transmissions on HF bands. QSL information via ON7RY (direct or by the Bureau)." For more details, visit their Web page at: http://www.on7ry.be

OY, FAROE ISLAND. Trygvi, OY4TN, reports that Johan, OY2J, is once again active after being QRT for many years. He has retired from his job and has finally found time to set up his radio station again. QSNs show he has been on 20 meters CW and SSB.

PACIFIC TOUR. Just a reminder that Don/G3BJ and Hilary/G4JKS will be on vacation in the South Pacific during September. Their activity schedule is as follows:
September 4-16th - Austral Islands (from Rurutu [OC-050] and Tubuai [OC-152]); callsign will be FO/G3BJ
September 18-25th - Niue (OC-040); callsign ZK2BJ
Operations will be mostly CW on 80-10 meters (no 17/12m). They will use a K3 transceiver and a Butternut HF6.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION/TOUR (Update/Reminder). Just a reminder that Gerben, PG5M, will be activating three DXCC entities in the Pacific between September 6-27th. His schedule is as follows:
September 6-7th: Fiji (OC-016); prefix 3D2 (callsign not known yet)
September 8-14th: Tarawa Island (OC-017), W. Kiribati; Callsign is T30G
September 15-16th: Fiji; prefix 3D2 (callsign not known yet)
September 17-23rd: Tuvalu (OC-015); Callsign will be T2G
September 24-27th: Fiji; prefix 3D2 (callsign not known yet)
The callsign is not known for Fiji, but he has requested 3D2G. This will be an ultra light solo DXpedition and CW only. He will use an Elecraft K3, and his antennas are a 2x20m doublet, an ECO R7+ vertical for 40-10 meters and a 15m tall DX-Wire glass fiber pole for a 80m vertical. Suggested frequencies are: 3503, 7005, 10105, 14005, 18073, 21005, 24985 and 28005 kHz. Gerben will try to monitor the DXclusters and E-mail for feedback on possible useable frequencies. QSL via PG5M, by the Bureau or direct. For direct requests, please enclose a minimum of 2 USDs for return postage.

More details and updates will be available on: http://www.dx.to

PACIFIC DXPEDITION/TOUR. Operators Andrea/IK1PMR, YL Claudia/K2LEO/PA3LEO, Wil/PA0BWL, Joe/AA4NN, Franz/OE2SNL, Gerhard/DJ5IW, and Kenneth/OZ1IKY are planning a DXpedition to three semi-rare entities (and possibly some other operations) in the Pacific between November 11th and December 13th. The tentative schedule is as follows:
Samoa (5W) - November 11-18th; minus OE2SNL; Vaiala Beach Resort on the northern side of the Island of Upolu (OC-097)
Tonga (A3) - November 19th- December 9th; Otuhaka Beach Resort on the western side of the Island of Tongatapu (OC-049)
New Zealand - December 2-5th; Auckland (logistics, possible activation of some IOTA group)
South Cook Islands (E5) - December 5-13th; minus OZ1IKY
Singapore (9V) - December 13-17th (possible radio operations)

Callsigns have not been announced yet. Focus will be on the lower bands, but activity is planned for 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The team will use three Elecraft K2/100 with DSP and amps. For more information and updates, watch:
http://www.ik1pmr.com/plans/a3/index.php?s=intro

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Operators Peter/PJ4NX, Marco/PE2MC and Michiel/PG4M will be active from Bonaire (SA-006) between September 10-16th. They will take part in the WAE SSB Contest (September 10-11th) as PJ4NX. Before and after the contest they will use PJ4/homecall. QSL via their home callsign (QRZ.com addresses). Logs and photos will be available online at: http://www.pi4cc.nl/pj4

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL GB0BME via the Bureau or direct to G7WAW. This is a special event station by the Craven Radio Amateur Group (CRAG) from the Bancroft Mill Engine in Barnoldswick, Lancashire, England. See QRZ.com for more info.

PIRATE ALERT. Station signing C31LJ/m on August 27th, was pirated. Nenad, VE3EXY, reports that Peter is in Canada.

PIRATE ALERT. Phillip, ZL2TZE, informs OPDX that "Emma", ZL5SP, is again operating CW on 40m claiming to be in ZL5 Antarctica. He states, "It's the winter there at the moment, 24/7 darkness and it is highly unlikely that any workable propagation from ZL5 would be happening now, maybe in 2 or 3 months when their summer comes around. There is no ZL5SP in SMART which is the ZL Radio Frequency Service database where all callsigns are recorded. There is also no record held by NZART our National body..." Save your green stamps!

QSL V7XX via JH2BNL (NH0AA/NH2): Yuji Oda, 348-1 Nazukacho, Naka-ku, Hamamatsu-shi, Shizuoka 430-0811, JAPAN

QSL V73NF via JA2DSQ (KH2/JA2DSQ): Fuminori Nakayasu, 344 Ichinocho, Higashi-ku, Hamamatsu-shi, Shizuoka 435-0051, JAPAN

VC1W (CISA-132) QSL STATUS. Nenad, VE3EXY, reports that the QSLs are designed and sent to the printer. He will send the cards directly to him when printed, and Nenad will start procssing immediately.

VE1OTA QSL CHANGE. Nenad, VE3EXY, reports that they have decided to 'extend' the coverage to the year 2006. Feel free to send Nenad any VE1VOX/VE1OTA QSLs from 2006 onwards.

QSLS VIA LOTW: K5D

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3V9A, 4T6I, 5K5T, 5K0T, 5R8KD, 7O1YGF, 7P8CF, 7P8R, 9J2CA, DY1C, HK5QGX/0M, IY8WAP, PX8W, TZ6EI, VP8DLM, XW1B and YO9HP

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

SX5, DODECANESE. Members of Aegean DX Group will activate Agathonisi Island (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS 063 [for Greek Islands On The Air Award <http://www.5-9report.gr/giota>] as SX5AG between September 4-7th. Operators mentioned are Alexandros/SV8CYR, Vassilis/SV8CYV, Ilias/SV8FMY, Giorgos/SV8IJZ, Giannis/SW8MFF and Dirk/ON5CT. Activity is planned for 80/40/20/17 meters using SSB and the Digi modes mainly on the IOTA frequencies. Depending on the propagation, look for activity on 12/10/6 meters SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 3785, 7055, 14260, 18124, 24950, 28460 and 50150 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7035 and 14080 kHz
PSK - 3570 and 14070 kHz
QSL via their manager SV8CYR. For more info, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/SX5AG

T7, SAN MARINO. Operators Gerd/DJ5TT, Thomas/DK9FEC, Peter/DL1FX and Rainer/DL1ZBO will activate the Amateurs Radio Republic of San Marino (A.R.R.S.M.) club station T70A during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL route TBA.

V5, NAMIBIA. Operators Wolf/DH3WO, Mathias/DJ2HD and Ulmar/DK1CE will be active as V5/homecall between September 5-26th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns.

VK6, AUSTRALIA. Operators Bernd/VK2IA and Kevin/VK6LW will be active as VK6AA during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DL8YR. Activity will be from the Northern Corridor Radio Group's (VK6ANC) club station situated about 20 km north from the city center in Perth, Western Australia. See the station at:
http://www.ncrg.org.au

VP8, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND. It has been reported that Lars, VP8DIF, will arrive on South Georgia around the second week of October. He will stay at Husvik (WAP GBR-27). QSL via DJ9ZB, by the Bureau or direct. For more info and updates, visit Lars's Web site at:
http://www.lars-boehme.de/vp8dif/

VY2, CANADA (PEI). George, K3GV, will be active as K3GV/VY2 from Prince Edward Island (IOTA NA-029, CIA PE-001) between September 1-28th. Activity will be on 15 and 20 meters around the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via

his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

Z3, MACEDONIA. Members of the Radio Club "Nikola Tesla" (Z37M) will be active as Z37M during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via Z37M, by the Bureau or info on QRZ.com.

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10660. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-30 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10660

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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 242 Issued at 2200Z on 30 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 29/2100Z
to 30/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No spots and no flares
were observed on the visible disk.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 29/2100Z to 30/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet to minor storm conditions. The
solar wind increased from 350 to 450 km/s. The Bz varied from +10 to
-10 through the UT day. This activity was due to the onset of a
southern coronal hole high speed stream becoming geoeffective.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field will be
quiet to unsettled with isolated periods of active conditions
possible on day one (31 August) and mostly quiet for the remainder
of the forecast period (1 - 2 September).
III. Event Probabilities 31 Aug-02 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 30 Aug 067
Predicted 31 Aug-02 Sep 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 30 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 29 Aug 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 30 Aug 012/015
Predicted Afr/Ap 31 Aug-02 Sep 007/010-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 31 Aug-02 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10661. Mail from Russia ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-31 01:30:53 UTC
From: k8pg
Topic: 10661 Message: 10661

Hello All ,

Iam just wondering how long it my take to get a letter from Russia?
I know their is a lot of mail that never gets to its distination,
Even when regitered mail dont get through-Taking USD/IRC wonder
when the Govt will crack down on these crooks? Ivge been waiting for
a letter going on 2 mos. now Crazy !

Paul K8PG

10662. Island Activation this weekend

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-31 03:10:24 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 10662 Message: 10662

Our club is activating US Islands, with commemorative QSL cards, until October and wanted everyone to know we had a blast this
weekend from our reactivation of Pelican Island.

We worked around 5 DX stations including France, Italy, Mexico, Japan and Canada along with many US stations as well. Around 300
contacts in all from 9am Central until around 1700 Central time. Using only one transceiver, 100W and a dipole up 20 feet.

This weekend Sep25th2009 Central time we will be working a new activation (never been on the air before) from Willow Island

("TX061L" US Island designator).

Starting around 1400Z until around 2200Z.

http://www.wc5c.org/WC5CClub/Island/tabid/404/Default.aspx

Dx stations please look for us this coming Saturday around 9AM Central Time. I hope to be operating on 30 meters QRP, but shouldn't
be a problem from the Island for DX or anyone else for that matter.

We will also have guys on 40 meters phone and 20 meters phone.

If I can I will try working CW on 40 and 20 as well. Somewhere around 7050 and 14050.

73 fer nw

es hope to work you from Willow Island.

Bob AD5VJ

10663. Re: [DX-IS] Mail from Russia ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-31 03:46:07 UTC
From: k8ztt@mho.com
Topic: 10661 Message: 10663

Paul,

All I can tell you is that I have found the service from Russia to the US to be "hit or miss". Some cards seem to come through without any problems at all, where others never seem to arrive. I have been waiting for over 6 months now for cards from UA4WHX after sending him 25 bucks via PayPal to his "business account".

Below are two email I exchanged with him back in Mar. To date I have not received the cards, nor does he answer any emails I have sent since!

15.03.09, 23:40, "Vladimir M. Bykov"
<vladimir.m.bykov@...>:
> Date: Sunday, March 15, 2009, 7:42:45 PM
> Vladimir,
> I just sent you a $25 donation for your DXPedition efforts via PayPal to the address you gave me (payment@...). Below is the list of QSO's that I would like to get confirmed from your Africa trips. Same call as my email address (K8ZTT).
>
> 5Z4/UA4WHX 28 Sep 05 2228Z 30M CW
> D20VB 18 Oct 06 0348 80M CW
> 9J2VB 04 Nov 06 1608 12M CW
> 9J2VB 05 Nov 06 1914 12M SSB
> 5R8VB 09 Mar 07 0300 80M CW
> I had sent you a couple of cards in the past via the mail service with cash donations inside each. From what you have written in your QRZ.COM listing, it sounds like there was a high probability that none ever reached you! At least with PayPal, I don't have to worry about mail theft!!
> Looking forward to receiving the cards.
> Thanks for the help
> Dick K8ZTT

--- On Mon, 3/23/09, ua4whxaa@... <ua4whxaa@...> wrote:

From: ua4whxaa@... <ua4whxaa@...>
Subject: Re: QSL cards
To: "Richard Williams" <k8ztt@...>
Date: Monday, March 23, 2009, 5:39 AM

Dear Richard,
6 my QSL cards (+ J20VB on 10MHZ and 7Q7VB on 3,5MHz) will be resend to you 30
Mar 2009 directly to 11347 E.Grant Rd., Franktown, CO 80116.
Alexeev Andrei Vl.
TG4/YS1/HR2/HP8/HI8/TI2/HH2/H7/6Y5/8P9/8R1/9Y4/J3/J6/J73/J8/KH6/KH2/KH0/FK/FW/ZK1/FO/SM5/A

C4LN,
KD4DZH, V63MB, T88VV, V73VV, 5W0VB, ZK2VB, A35VB,
LZ1/HA/S57/OZ/HB9/HB0/CT1/ZL2/ZL3/OD5/5Z4/Z2/4L/BY7/UA4WHX, P29VVB, H44VV,
H40VB, YJ0VB, 3D2VB/Rotuma, 3D2VB, T30VB, T20VB, VK8VB, JT1FDC, ST2VB, J20VB,
5X1VB, 5H3VMB, 7Q7VB, 4L0B, 4K0VB, C91VB, 3DA0VB, 7P8VB, 9J2VB, V51VV, A25VB,
D20VB, D60VB, 5R8VB, 9U0VB, 9X0VB QSL support

All I can say is good luck with the cards; expect to receive some and
never to recieve others.

Dick K8ZTT

> Hello All ,
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> Iam just wondering how long it my take to get a letter from Russia?
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> Paul K8PG
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10664. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-08-31 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10664

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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 243 Issued at 2200Z on 31 Aug 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 31/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. New Region 1025 (N17E33)
was assigned today. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 31/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled. The unsettled
conditions were due to a coronal hole high speed stream.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on days 1 and 2 (1 - 2 September). Day 3 (3
September) is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels due
to a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 01 Sep-03 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 31 Aug 068
Predicted 01 Sep-03 Sep 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 31 Aug 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Aug 012/019
Estimated Afr/Ap 31 Aug 007/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 01 Sep-03 Sep 005/005-005/005-008/010
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 01 Sep-03 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10665. [425ENG] The Topmode of September

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-01 05:40:22 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10665 Message: 10665

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Below the top 25 of the topmode
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPMODE
01/09/2009
NR CALL SSB CW RTTY Tot Date

1 OH2LU 338 337 337 1012 13/08/2009
2 W3YX 338 337 336 1011 06/04/2009
3 SM0AJU 338 337 336 1011 24/02/2008
4 DJ2BW 338 337 336 1011 01/05/2008
5 OH3SR 338 337 336 1011 27/08/2009
6 N4WW 338 337 336 1011 17/05/2008
7 W2UP 338 336 336 1010 01/04/2008
8 N5FG 338 337 335 1010 02/06/2009
9 N2TU 338 337 335 1010 03/03/2008
10 WB4UBD 338 336 336 1010 13/08/2009
11 W5ZPA 338 337 335 1010 20/02/2008
12 N2QT 338 337 334 1009 06/05/2008
13 SL0ZG 338 337 333 1008 24/02/2008
14 OH2BU 338 337 333 1008 15/02/2009
15 N4CC 338 336 334 1008 22/03/2009
16 VA3DX 338 337 332 1007 22/02/2008
17 OH2DW 338 337 332 1007 05/03/2008
18 N5ZM 338 336 333 1007 01/07/2009
19 W5FKX 337 336 333 1006 02/06/2008
20 SM5DJZ 338 337 330 1005 03/01/2009
21 K7XB 338 336 331 1005 25/03/2009
22 EA6NB 338 337 329 1004 22/05/2009
23 DJ2YA 338 337 329 1004 01/03/2009
24 I5FLN 338 329 336 1003 01/03/2008
25 IK1GPG 338 337 328 1003 05/04/2009

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10666. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-01 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10666

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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 244 Issued at 2200Z on 01 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 31/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1025 (N17E18) a
small, simple Bxo continues to grow. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 31/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on day 1 (2 September) and quiet to unsettled
on days 2 and 3 (3 -4 September). The activity is due to a recurrent
coronal hole high speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 02 Sep-04 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 Sep 069
Predicted 02 Sep-04 Sep 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 01 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 31 Aug 005/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 Sep 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 Sep-04 Sep 005/007-008/010-008/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 Sep-04 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10667. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-02 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10667

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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 245 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1025 (N17E05)has
decayed to a spotless plage area. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet with occasional periods of unsettled
conditions on days 1 and 2 (3-4 September). Day 3 (5 September) will
return to quiet conditions.
III. Event Probabilities 03 Sep-05 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Sep 068
Predicted 03 Sep-05 Sep 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 02 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 Sep 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Sep 005/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Sep-05 Sep 008/010-008/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Sep-05 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10668. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-02 22:32:30 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 10668

Hey!! The Flux is UP!! 069 was 068!!

Better start tuning of 20 meter CW again :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2009 6:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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SDF Number 245 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Sep 2009
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to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1025 (N17E05)has
decayed to a spotless plage area. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
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The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet with occasional periods of unsettled
conditions on days 1 and 2 (3-4 September). Day 3 (5 September) will
return to quiet conditions.
III. Event Probabilities 03 Sep-05 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Sep 068
Predicted 03 Sep-05 Sep 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 02 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 Sep 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Sep 005/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Sep-05 Sep 008/010-008/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Sep-05 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05

Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10669. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-02 22:48:27 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10669

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73, Paul VE1DX

10670. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-02 22:59:04 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9721 Message: 10670

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I'll be there every day this week! Maybe I'll luck out. YB4IR had a booming signal this morning.

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Al, VE1AL

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Yahoo! Groups Links

10671. 4W6AL, etc.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-02 23:56:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10671

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Hi Al,

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73, Paul VE1DX

10672. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-03 03:57:41 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 9721 Message: 10672

Paul said: "Of course if I do that, the flux
will jump up and 15 and 10 will open!"

PLEASE change your antenna! I'm sure we could get a crew up to your place this weekend to make the swap! ;-)

73 de Bob - KØRC in MN

"On the other hand... I wear a glove."

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10673. RE: [DX-IS] SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-03 09:12:14 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10624 Message: 10673

Well there are a lot of VKs that still need Mt. Athos, me included.

He has been active several times since I have been back on air (2005)
but only once did I hear him faintly.

What sort of Antenna does Monk Apollo have for HF?

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Deacon Dave
Sent: Wednesday, 26 August 2009 7:32 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] SV/A

A monastery has a complete time discipline 24/7 beginning with a full
prayer life, up to seven times a day for structured prayer [Liturgy of
The Hours], possibly taking more than 4 hours a day, Mass, a personal
commitment to physical work [labor] to sustain the community, a time for
advanced study, and disciplined community interaction [socially].

Time for purely personal 'pleasure' is simply very low on the priority
scale.

If you really want to have SV/A on the air get permission from the
Superior of the Community for a month long retreat, and give up one or
two hours of sleep a night to operate. :-) ... really, it is a fully
disciplined community with very little non scheduled time for worldly
pursuits.

DD, W1MCE [Reverend]

----- Original Message -----

From: Zack Widup <mailto:w9sz.zack@gmail.com>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 4:23 PM

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] SV/A

It seems Mt. Athos has always been a Pandora's box as long as I
can remember. People have requested that it be removed from the DXCC
list but it never has been. It looks like getting an operation going
from KP1 or KP5 is even an easier project than operating from Mt. Athos.

If Monk Apollo were making regular QSO's from there like the
one-man operations of A22MN, 7P8SR, TL8NG, 9X5HG, XT2BW, etc. of the

past it might be a different story. But it appears he doesn't work much CW and has more limited operating times than those mentioned above had. I worked these people numerous times; they were living in those countries for extended periods of time and worked the pileups down considerably. Near the end of his stay, 7P8SR would call CQ on 40 CW with no takers.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Aug 25, 2009 at 2:52 PM, Derek Wills
<oo7@...u> wrote:

You can a feel for some of the problems by looking at:

http://www.eham.net/articles/3131

and there are probably more recent discussions.

I remember that when I was QSL manager for HC8N, I either sent or received a card for the first SV/A - HC8 QSO on 80m SSB!

Derek aa5bt

10674. Re: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-03 10:43:01 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 9721 Message: 10674

In the last 16 months Marsha has confirmed 195 entities - mostly on phone. During the same time frame I think I've worked two new ones on phone and nothing new on CW! Drat!

Not much to do except work on my shack construction project. Now that it's complete (see QRZ.COM), the nerd in me has turned to serious county hunting. Oh, and fightin with the guvmint to get my Medicare ID card - official old fartness approaches!

Art - N4PJ

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10675. RE: [DX-IS] 4W6AL, etc.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-03 12:12:23 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9721 Message: 10675

Hi Paul,

Got on at 1100 and tuned around but heard only a few watery weak Asians -- R-0, JAs -- and MU0FAL calling CQ incessantly on 14027. Then at 1200, there was 4W6AL. He was very weak but I called once.

Exactly at 1202 the birdie came on the frequency and there's no way I can filter it out. I don't know if he's under it or not. It has to be a TV in the neighbourhood.

I've turned down the AF on the rig, turned off the amp and I'm going back to bed.

So that damned birdie has been on all week, except yesterday and I didn't hear him, even though he was spotted.

I'm going to crawl back in to bed for an hour.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Yahoo! Groups Links

10676. ARLD035 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-03 21:55:19 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6005 Message: 10676

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ARLD035 DX news

ZCZC AE35
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 35 ARLD035
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 3, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD035
ARLD035 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SWAZILAND, 3DA0. Arnold, WB6OJB is QRV as 3DA0JK until September 8. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

MALTA, 9H. Wim, PA2AM will be QRV as 9H3DZ from September 4 to 14. Activity will be mainly on the newer bands using CW and RTTY. QSL to home call.

BOLIVIA, CP. Rene, DF9GR is QRV as CP6/DF9GR until September 10. He is active mainly on 80 meters. QSL to home call.

FRANCE, F. Look for special event stations TM150RPC and TM0RPC to be active from September 6 to 20 in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the birth of radio pioneer and Nobel Prize winner Pierre Curie. QSL via F5KAZ.

GUADELOUPE, FG. Anthony, F4EUG is QRV as FG/F4EUG until September 10. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL to home call.

AUSTRAL ISLANDS, FO. Don, G3BJ and Hilary, G4JKS are QRV as FO/G3BJ from Rurutu Island, IOTA OC-050 and Tubuai Island, IOTA OC-152, until September 16. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using mostly CW. QSL to G3BJ.

ITALY, I. Members of the ARI Vigevano club are QRV as IY2M until January 31, 2010 in celebration of the 100th year anniversary of Marconi's Nobel Prize. QSL via IW2NOH.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8J7M is QRV until December 31 from Honshu Island, IOTA AS-007, in celebration of the 60 years of the Amateur Radio Morioka Club and the 120th anniversary of Morioka-city

in the Tohoku region. QSL via bureau.

SVALBARD, JW. Ingrid, LA8FOA and Unni, LA6RHA and other operators will be QRV as JW1SYL from Longyearbyen, IOTA EU-026, from September 6 to 13. QSL via operators' instructions.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. A group of operators are QRV as AH0BT until September 7. This includes an entry in the All Asian SSB DX contest. QSL via 7L1FRU.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Operators PA1TK, PA5WT and PA3GVI are QRV as LX/home calls until September 7. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. This includes a 2-meter entry in the IARU VHF Contest. QSL to home calls.

FAROE ISLANDS, OY. Johan, OY2J is now QRV. QSL direct to home call.

DENMARK, OZ. Michael, DK5NA will be QRV as 5Q5NA from Romo Island, IOTA EU-125, from September 6 to 25. Activity will be on all bands. QSL via bureau.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PA75AJU is QRV until September 29 to commemorate the flight 75 years ago of the KLM Douglas DC-2 that won the handicap section of the Mac Robertson Trophy Air Race from London to Melbourne in October 1934. QSL via PA3CAL.

GREECE, SV. A group of operators will be QRV as SX2IMA from Mount Rachia on September 5 and 6 during Greek Field Day. QSL direct via SV2JAO.

DODECANESE, SV5. Members of Aegean DX Group are QRV as SX5AG from Agathonisi Island, IOTA EU-001, until September 7. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using SSB and various digital modes near the IOTA frequencies. QSL via SV8CYR.

NAMIBIA, V5. Operators DJ2HD, DK1CE and DH3WO will be QRV as V5/home calls from September 5 to 26. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB during their holidays. QSL via operators' instructions.

VENEZUELA, YV. Pasquale is QRV as YV5KAJ/YV7 from Margarita Island, IOTA SA-012, until September 11. Activity is on 40, 30 and 20 meters using digital modes. QSL via EA5KB.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The All Asian DX Phone Contest, Russian World Wide RTTY Contest, IARU Region 1 SSB Field Day, RSGB SSB Field Day, DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest, NCCC Sprint, International G3ZQS Memorial Straight Key CW Contest, Wake-Up. QRP Sprint, Colorado QSO Party, AGCW Straight Key CW Party and Tennessee QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The Michigan QRP Labor Day CW Sprint is scheduled for September 7. The ARS Spartan CW

Sprint is scheduled for September 8. The Hiram Percy Maxim 140th Birthday Celebration event runs until September 9. Please see September QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10677. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-03 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10677

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10678. RE: [DX-IS] Mail from Russia ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 01:25:04 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10661 Message: 10678

Hey Dick,

I am still waiting on UA4WHX here as well, I can't remember the exact date (I sent my direct request) but I think I have been waiting about 18 months for his cards. I am guessing they will show up via the bureau one of these days...

From most sources I have heard that he is a reliable QSLer, you do need to send IRCs though.

Good luck, 73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of k8ztt@...
Sent: Monday, 31 August 2009 11:46 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Mail from Russia ?

Paul,

All I can tell you is that I have found the service from Russia to the US
to be "hit or miss". Some cards seem to come through without any
problems at all, where others never seem to arrive. I have been waiting
for over 6 months now for cards from UA4WHX after sending him 25 bucks via
PayPal to his "business account".

Below are two email I exchanged with him back in Mar. To date I have not
received the cards, nor does he answer any emails I have sent since!

15.03.09, 23:40, "Vladimir M. Bykov"
<vladimir.m.bykov@... <mailto:vladimir.m.bykov%40gmail.com> >:
> Date: Sunday, March 15, 2009, 7:42:45 PM
> Vladimir,
> I just sent you a $25 donation for your DXPedition efforts via PayPal to
the address you gave me (payment@...
<mailto:payment%40svezhyveter.ru>). Below is the list of
QSO's that I would like to get confirmed from your Africa trips. Same call
as my email address (K8ZTT).
>
> 5Z4/UA4WHX 28 Sep 05 2228Z 30M CW
> D20VB 18 Oct 06 0348 80M CW
> 9J2VB 04 Nov 06 1608 12M CW
> 9J2VB 05 Nov 06 1914 12M SSB

> 5R8VB 09 Mar 07 0300 80M CW
> I had sent you a couple of cards in the past via the mail service with cash donations inside each. From what you have written in your QRZ.COM listing, it sounds like there was a high probability that none ever reached
you! At least with PayPal, I don't have to worry about mail theft!!
> Looking forward to receiving the cards.
> Thanks for the help
> Dick K8ZTT

--- On Mon, 3/23/09, ua4whxaa@... <mailto:ua4whxaa%40yandex.ru> <ua4whxaa@... <mailto:ua4whxaa%40yandex.ru> > wrote:

From: ua4whxaa@... <mailto:ua4whxaa%40yandex.ru> <ua4whxaa@... <mailto:ua4whxaa%40yandex.ru> >
Subject: Re: QSL cards
To: "Richard Williams" <k8ztt@... <mailto:k8ztt%40yahoo.com> >
Date: Monday, March 23, 2009, 5:39 AM

Dear Richard,
6 my QSL cards (+ J20VB on 10MHZ and 7Q7VB on 3,5MHz) will be resend to you 30
Mar 2009 directly to 11347 E.Grant Rd., Franktown, CO 80116.
Alexeev Andrei Vl.
TG4/YS1/HR2/HP8/HI8/TI2/HH2/H7/6Y5/8P9/8R1/9Y4/J3/J6/J73/J8/KH6/KH2/KH0/FK/FW/ZK1/FO/SM5/AC4LN,
KD4DZH, V63MB, T88VV, V73VV, 5W0VB, ZK2VB, A35VB,
LZ1/HA/S57/OZ/HB9/HB0/CT1/ZL2/ZL3/OD5/5Z4/Z2/4L/BY7/UA4WHX, P29VVB, H44VV,
H40VB, YJ0VB, 3D2VB/Rotuma, 3D2VB, T30VB, T20VB, VK8VB, JT1FDC, ST2VB, J20VB,
5X1VB, 5H3VMB, 7Q7VB, 4L0B, 4K0VB, C91VB, 3DA0VB, 7P8VB, 9J2VB, V51VV, A25VB,
D20VB, D60VB, 5R8VB, 9U0VB, 9X0VB QSL support

All I can say is good luck with the cards; expect to receive some and never to recieve others.

Dick K8ZTT

> Hello All ,
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> Iam just wondering how long it my take to get a letter from Russia?
> I know their is a lot of mail that never gets to its distination,
> Even when regitered mail dont get through-Taking USD/IRC wonder
> when the Govt will crack down on these crooks? Ivge been waiting for
> a letter going on 2 mos. now Crazy !
>
> Paul K8PG
>
>

10679. Re: [DX-IS] Mail from Russia ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 03:03:32 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10661 Message: 10679

Not to brag, but sent sase and got both my Z2 and 9J back quite a while back (in same envelope). He also dropped in a qsl for another ham living in same town. Do not know how he done that, but when I took the card over to the other guy (who I did'nt even know) he sure got a grin on his face!

As I understand it, he is some type of tour operator who can operatate on his tours. I heard he was planning on another tour, but where, and when I don't remember.

I am a firm believer in sase. No fuss, no muss on qsl processing. They don't have to worry about IRC's (if the local postal office even knows what they are) and $$ that somehow dissapear through postal system. SASE often get's out first as the manager can move them out faster and make his pile smaller. Have even got a book in the shack on it. Can tell you where to get it, but will not advertise on the board. Email me direct if you want to know the source.

Dale K8TS

k9ttt@...

----- Original Message -----
From: "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2009 9:25:04 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 03:34:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10661 Message: 10680

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Topic: 10661 Message: 10681

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 04:33:07 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10661 Message: 10682

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10683. the hunt for 4W6AL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 13:36:29 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10683 Message: 10683

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Al, VE1AL

10684. Re: [DX-IS] the hunt for 4W6AL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 13:44:53 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10683 Message: 10684

Joe must live by his radio. I don't think I would be able to do that, even
if I ever retire!
:-)

4W would be a very tough path from here with no sunspot activity. I worked
one on 20 CW back when we still had sunspots. I have also listened for 4W6AL
and haven't heard a thing here in the Black Hole.

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From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10683 Message: 10685

Yes, Zack, 4W is a very difficult path from here also. My only QSO was with Bernie on 15 SSB several years ago so it will be a new CW country for me when I do work it. However, I have heard 4W6AL -- if only briefly yesterday -- so I know he can be heard from here, even with crappy conditions.

One has to be there early, before the path to Europe opens. I suspect it will be all but impossible once the Europeans start hearing him.

As for Joe: I actually think he has a room in his radio and he sleeps there.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Friday, September 04, 2009 10:45 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] the hunt for 4W6AL

Joe must live by his radio. I don't think I would be able to do that, even if I ever retire!
:-)

4W would be a very tough path from here with no sunspot activity. I worked one on 20 CW back when we still had sunspots. I have also listened for 4W6AL and haven't heard a thing here in the Black Hole.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Sep 4, 2009 at 8:36 AM, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

Having heard no sign of 4W6AL yesterday (Sept. 3) between 11-1200Z, I decided not to listen before 1200 today. When I listened around 14027 at 1205, there was nothing to be heard -- not a single signal, in fact, nothing on the band. It was as if my antenna wasn't working. There wasn't even a birdie to be heard!

However, sure enough, at 1125 there was a spot from W1JR (almost on my back doorstep). So, I'd obviously blown yet another chance to get this elusive quest into my log.

Tomorrow through the end of next week I'll be looking for him from 1100Z and perhaps I'll be able to bag him.

This is more fun than hunting for a rare leopard or a zigzag zebra!

73

Al, VE1AL

10686. [425ENG] 425 DX News #957

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 15:33:21 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10686 Message: 10686

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3DA0 - Arnold, WB6OJB will operate SSB only as 3DA0JK from Swaziland until 8 September around 12 local time. QSL via WB6OJB. [TNX The Daily DX]
5B - Andy, LZ2HM will be active as 5B/LZ2HM from Cyprus on 10-15 September. He will be QRV on 160-2 metres and will participate in the WAE DX SSB Contest as C4I. QSLs via home call. [TNX NG3K]
6W - Sebastien, F8IJV will be honeymooning at Le Calao, Senegal on 15-30 October and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as 6V7Q. He might also be active (SSB and digital modes) before and after the contest. QSL via F8IJV, direct or bureau. [TNX F6AJA]
8Q - Andy, G7COD will be active again as 8Q7AK from Embudu, Maldives (AS-013) on 11-25 October. He plans to operate SSB and CW on 80-12 metres (suggested frequencies and operating schedule at http://www.qrz.com/db/8q7ak). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX G7COD]
CE0Y - The 31 October-15 November DXpedition to Easter Island [425DXN 953] has received permission to shorten their call from XR0YA to XR0Y. This callsign was used twice in the past (1995 and 2000), and the QSL route for this year's event will be announced soon. Bookmark http://rapanui2009.org/ for updates, further information and details on how to contribute. [TNX MM0NDX]
CT7 - A group of operators from the Cambridge University Wireless Society (G3ZAY, M0BLF, M0HSW, M0RLM and M0TJH) will be active as CT7/homecall from IOTA group EU-145 on 5-6 September. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 40-10 metres with two stations and wire antennas. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Web page at www.domsmith.co.uk/amateur-radio/dxpeditions/2009/ct/ [TNX M0BLF]
CY0 - The 19-26 October DXpedition to Sable Island [425DXN 938] by WA4DAN, N0TG and AA4VK has been postponed sine die because of serious health problems affecting one of the team members' son (read the news release at http://www.cy0dxpedition.com/). Hopefully the operation will be rescheduled, but for the time being it is understandably being placed on 'hold' while waiting

for better times.
EA6 - Adrian, AA5UK will be active again as EA6/AA5UK from Ibiza, Balearic Islands (EU-004) on 14-29 October, including a SOAB entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He plans to operate holiday style on 160-10 metres SSB and digital modes. Activity on various satellites is also being planned. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to LoTW and eQSL. [TNX IZ3EBA]
F - The new dates for the operation from Belle Ile (EU-048) [425DXN 947] are 4-7 September. Six operators will be active as F5KKD/p on the HF and VHF bands, SSB, CW and PSK31. QSL via F5KKD. Further information at http://iota2009.crxcluster.com [TNX F5NQL]
F - A group of operators from the Radio Club of Granville (F5KAQ) will be active from Saint-Nicolas Island (EU-094) on 11-18 September. Alain/F5HVI, Jean-Jacques/F5NKX, Denis/F5RJM, Alain/F6ACH, Rene/F6CMC, Alain/F6ENO, Benoit/F8PDR and Rolf/F9ZG will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands, with activity also on 6 and 2 metres. Expect them to be signing F5KAQ/p and homecall/p. QSL via F5RJM, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
F - Special event callsign TM2NN will be aired on 12-22 September for the 21st edition of Les Nuits de Nacre, the annual accordion festival that takes place in the city of Tulle. QSL via F5KTU [TNX F8REF]
FS - Look for Gregg, FS/W6IZT to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-6 metres from St. Martin (NA-105) on 5-13 September. QSL via N7XG direct, bureau and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
G - Special event callsign GB50ATG has been celebrating the Golden Jubilee of BARTG, the British Amateur Radio Teledata Group, since 1 July. GB50ATG will be on the air until 30 June 2010, and it will be operated by four of the BARTG committee on a rota basis. This month the call is being used by GW4SKA, who will also participate in the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest. QSL via M5AEX. Details on the GB50ATG certificate can be found at http://www.bartg.org.uk [TNX K1XN]
G - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Girl Guides, special callsign GG100GN will used from several locations through the anniversary year, starting on 5 September at Abington Park (England). It is the first ever use of a GG prefix. QSL via bureau. [TNX MM0NDX]
G - Depending on weather, Jon, M0OVL will be active as M0OVL/p from the Farne Islands (EU-109) on 25 and 26 September. He has been granted permission to operate only between 10 and 14 UTC on both days. Look for him on 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX M0OVL]
GM - Ken, G0ORH reports he will be active as GM0ORH from the Isle of Arran (EU-123) on 20-27 September.
HL - Mike, KE7WRJ will be active as HL9QST from Korea from 10 September to 13 November. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres, "at least 8 hours a day during the week, and longer over the weekends". QSL via KE7WRJ. He will upload his log to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

I - Peter, DJ2OS will be active as IC8/DJ2OS from Capri Island
(EU-031) on 10 September. He will operate QRP on 20 metres SSB and
CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DJ2OS]
IS0 - Sardinia QRP Club's members Alessandro, IS0ZAJ and Franco, IS0VSU
will be active as IM0/IQ0QP from Isola dei Cavoli (EU-165) on 6
September. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31 from around 9 to
15 UTC on 20 and 40 metres. QSL direct (see qrz.com). [TNX IS0VSU]
ON - The Radio Club de Binche will operate special event station ON4WAR
on 5 September (7-16 UTC) and 6 September (6-14 UTC) to
commemorate the Belgian resistance during World War II. QSL via
ON7RY, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at
http://www.on7ry.be [TNX ON9CDR]
OZ - Michael, DK5NA will be active again as 5Q5NA from Romo Island
(EU-125) on 6-25 September. QSL via home call. [TNX
www.rsgbiota.org]
P4 - Roy/W3TEF and Bob/W3BTX will operate again as P41USA from Aruba
(SA-036) on 8-17 September. The special callsign marks the
anniversary of the tragic events occured on 11 September 2001. QSL
via W3TEF. [TNX NG3K]
PJ4 - Michiel/PG4M and Marco/PE2MC will be active as PJ4/homecall from
Bonaire (SA-006) on 10-16 September. They plan to operate SSB, CW,
RTTY and PSK on 80-10 metres and to participate in the WAE DX SSB
Contest using the callsign of Peter, PJ4NX. QSL via home calls.
On-line logs will be available at http://www.pi4cc.nl/pj4 [TNX
OPDX Bulletin]
S7 - Mauro, HB9ENI will be active as S79MI from Praslin Island
(AF-024), Seychelles on 21-26 October, CQ WW DX SSB Contest
included. He plans to operate SSB and RTTY on the HF bands and 6
metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his
log to LoTW. [TNX HB9ENI]
SV5 - Aegean DX Group members Alexandros/SV8CYR, Vassilis/SV8CYV, Ilias/
SV8FMY, Giorgios/SV8IJZ, Giannis/SW8MFF and Dirk/ON5CT will be
active as SX5AG from Agathonisi Island, Dodecanese (EU-001) on
4-7 September. They plan to operate SSB and digital modes on 7,
20, 40 and 80 metres, as well as on 12, 10 and 6 metres SSB if
there is propagation. QSL via SV8CYR. [TNX SV8CYV]
T3 - Craig, N3BQR will be active as T31AA from the Phoenix Islands
(Central Kiribati) on 10-25 September. According to The Daily DX,
he will be "on some sort of research trip", and plans "to go to at
least six of the eight islands for one to two days each" and to
operate mainly on 20 metres SSB.
TK - Nicolas, F5TGR will be active as TK/F5TGR from Porto Vecchio,
Corsica (EU-014) on 6-18 September. He plans to operate SSB and CW
on 40-10 metres, and a side trip to IOTA group EU-100 is being
considered as well. QSL via the bureau. [TNX F6AJA]
TK - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as TK/DL2JRM/p from the main island of
Corsica (EU-014) on 10-13 September and from the coastal island of
San Cipriano (EU-164) on 14-15 September. The latter will be a
solar powered QRP operation on 40-10 metres, CW only. QSL via home
call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

VE - Cezar, VE3LYC (VY0O) has been in the NA-230 area since 29 August. Everything was ready for the trip, but strong winds and heavy rain prevented him and his crew from setting sail for a few days. In his latest report (3 September, 18.30 UTC) Cezar said that the weather was improving, and that if it would continue to do so, he hoped to set sail on 4 September in the local morning hours.
W - The Tri-County Amateur Radio Club of North Texas, WC5C (http://www.wc5c.org/) will be active from Willow Island (not IOTA, USI TX061L) on 5 September and Greer Island (not IOTA, TX058L) on 19 September, from around 14 to 22 UTC. Operations will mainly be on 20 and 40 metres SSB, but they also operate on other bands and modes (PSK31 and CW). [TNX K1XN]
YV - Look for Pasquale, YV5KAJ/7 to be active from Margarita Island (SA-012) until 11 September. He operates on 40, 30 and 20 metres using digital modes. QSL via EA5KB. [TNX The Daily DX]
ZK2 - Koji, JM1CAX (ZL4NX) will be active as ZK2NX from Niue (OC-040) on 18-25 September. He plans to be QRV on 40-10 metres, and to concentrate on Europe especially on RTTY. QSL via JM1CAX, direct or bureau. [TNX ZL4NX]

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6Y1V ---> Once again the 6Y1V team sponsors one young operator (21 or under) to receive an all expense paid trip to operate in the 2009 CQWW SSB or CW contest from Jamaica. The deadline for applications is 30 September. Complete details can be found at http://www.6y1v.com/youth.htm

DX MAGAZINE MOST WANTED SURVEY ---> The DX Magazine's annual Most Wanted Survey is being conducted now through 15 October. The survey form is available at http://www.dxpub.com/dx_survey2009.html (please note that it is not a complete list of all DXCC Entities: if you need something that is not listed, simply use the "Additions or Comments" space at the end of the form). The overall top 100 will be posted on the web site around 15 January 2010. [TNX N4AA]

EZ8CQ ---> Alexander, EZ8CQ says he now uploads his logs to LoTW. Should you not being able to find a QSL record, please drop him a line (alexandrit2001@...).

OY2J ---> Trygvi, OY4TN reports that this is not a pirate, but the genuine Johan, OY2J, who is once again active on the amateur radio bands. He had been QRT for several years, but now, being in retirement, he has found the time to set up his station. [TNX W1AW]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (313 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (969

QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2652 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (319 QSLs), Antarctic bases (789 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 248 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (270 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (96 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (682 QSLs), French Departments (551 QSLs) and USA (50 QSLs), plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (108 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit http://LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@... [TNX F6AJA]

QSL 4J0FR ---> Please note that Jean-Michel, F6AJA is not the QSL manager for the recent operation (QSL via F6FYD). Jean-Michel only has logs and blank cards for the activities of August 1995 and December 1997-January 1998 (log search at http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php). [TNX F6AJA]

QSL J79PAK ---> Effective immediately, the new QSL route for the late J79PAK (HB9CUA) is via EA7FTR. There is no need to resubmit cards already mailed to HB9CUA or HB9HLM [425DXN 955], as all of the direct requests will be forwarded to EA7FTR. Please be patient, as the hand written log is being typed by N1NK and a new QSL card is being designed.

TONGA ---> A35A is the first special callsign, to be used during contests and special events, issued to Paul, A35RK under the new Tongan licensing procedures that became effective a few days ago. Citizens and long-term residents will get A35xx (ordinary callsigns) and A35x (special callsigns), while visiting operators will get A31xx (ordinary callsigns) and A31x (special callsigns for visiting groups of operators). [TNX The Daily DX]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

WAEDC ---> The SSB leg of the Worked All Europe DX Contest (WAEDC) will be from 00.00 UTC on 12 September until 23.59 UTC on the 13th. Complete details can be found at http://www.waedc.de/

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2AG/p, 3V8BB, 3V9A, 4J15TX, 4L8A, 4T6I (SA-098), 4U1UN, 5H2WK, 5J0BV, 5K0T (NA-132 and NA-133), 5K5T (SA-017), 5R8KD, 6W1SJ, 7O1YGF, 7P8CF, 7P8R, 9J2CA, 9Y4D, 9Y4VU, A35ZS, A71AN, AX0BP, C37NL, CG200I (NA-128), CM6YAC, CP1FF, CV5A, D44TD, DY1C (OC-120),EK6TA, EU5ROPE, HD2M, HK7AAG, HZ1FS/p (AS-192), IL7G, IY8WAP, JW/OK1JK, KG4NL, KL7HBK, KP2/K3TEJ, LU1ZA,LU1ZV,LX8RTTY, LZ2009KM, PX8W, T31DX,TI7KK (NA-191), TL0A, TO3R, TO5E, TZ6EI, UN6P, V29JKV, V31NL, V63MY, V63TO, VC8B (NA-129), VE1/DL2JRM/p (NA-127), VE3DZ/VP9, VE8RCS/VYO (NA-008),VK9GMW, VP8DLM, VP8KF, VQ9LA, WX3B/p (NA-139), XW1B, YN2N, YO9HP, ZC4RAF, ZF1A, ZZ6Z (SA-023).

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10687. The best QSLers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 15:41:13 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10687 Message: 10687

I put up a dualband yagi (2m/70cm) at the end of July and got back on the satellites after a break of a couple of years. I have found the satellite ops to be the ultimate QSLers!

These guys will go on a grid expedition to a rare grid, and then send out QSLs to everyone they work, at their own expense, without any solicitation or SASEs on your part. Wow, what QSLers!

I wish some of the DX stations would do this as well, as getting even a bureau card out of some of them seems to be impossible.

73s John AA5JG

10688. [425ENG] 425 DX News #957 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
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10689. ARLP036 Propagation de K7RA

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From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6061 Message: 10689

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ARLP036 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 36 ARLP036
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 4, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP036 Propagation de K7RA

This week we saw another one of those fast-disappearing sunspots. It lasted just two days, over the last day of August and the first of September. No other sunspots were observed during the month of August.

The monthly average of the daily sunspot number, January through August 2009, is 2.8, 2.5, 0.8, 1.3, 4, 6.6, 5.1 and 0.4.

The three-month moving averages of daily sunspot numbers for October 2008 through July 2009 were 4.5, 4.4, 3.6, 2.2, 2, 1.5, 2, 4.2, 5.2 and 4. This takes into account all the daily sunspot numbers for September 2008 through August 2009, and those numbers are for the center months of each of those three month moving average periods.

The latest figure, for July 2009, is an arithmetic average of all daily sunspot numbers for June through August. The previous figure, for June, is an average of daily sunspot numbers for May through July. In other words, sum all the daily sunspot numbers from May 1 through July 31, which equals 478. Divide by 92, which is the number of days in those three months, and it equals approximately 5.196, or 5.2 rounded off.

For June and July we saw the moving average drop from 5.2 to 4, and if September has no sunspots after the one on September 1, then the three-month average centered on August will be 2.

So what is coming up in the near term? Continued low solar flux and possibly no sunspots. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet to unsettled conditions for September 4 and 8.

We received many tips and comments this week about the lack of sunspots, and a link at, http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2009/03sep_sunspots.htm to an article titled, "Are Sunspots Disappearing?"

It concerns the work of Livingston and Penn at the National Solar Observatory in Tucson, and their observation that magnetic fields from sunspots are declining. It is important to note that most of their measurements are after the peak of Cycle 23, so this may be normal during the decline of a cycle, not just this one. Also, when they say there may be no sunspots by 2015, this is an extrapolation. Since we do not know what has happened in previous cycles regarding this more accurate measurement of magnetic fields from sunspots, it may be unrealistic to assume that the trend will continue.

NW7US interviewed Dr. Penn this week in his podcast, which you can download from http://tinyurl.com/NSWARPP-E04. Very interesting interview with lots of details on his research.

Regarding sunspots disappearing, check out the comments from K6SGH on his web page, http://www.k6sgh.com/index.html.

An interesting comment came from Jim Williams, K5NN of Wichita, Kansas. Jim wrote, "As an old retired Electrical Engineer and a ham dating back to 1952, I'm wondering what the explanation for consistent long skip might be. I have been involved in an informal net on 75 meter SSB for close to 50 of those years (2 uncles and others, lots of silent keys now) before going to work-about 7AM central time. We never used to have consistent problems with long skip, now most mornings short skip is 200 miles. As I have been active through several sunspot minimums, the extended periods of long skip around daylight was never such a problem. Lately it has taken a kilowatt to be just above the noise on a hundred mile path, the path normally has been good, even at 100 watt level. Is a good plausible explanation in existence for these conditions?"

This brings to mind an August 2007 email from Jerry Reimer, KK5CA of Spring, Texas. Jerry mentioned that short skip on low frequencies depends on NVIS (Near Vertical Incidence Skywave) propagation. The propagation out to 100 miles depends on the high angle component of the antenna radiation bouncing or refracting off the ionosphere overhead. Longer skip depends on lower angle radiation. Jerry mentioned that for reliable short skip propagation, the frequency used should be only 50-80 percent of the fMUF.

Recent fMUF values from ionosonde data may be found at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/lists/iono_day.html. If I click on the Boulder (Colorado) data, I see that over the past day the fMUF above Colorado may not be high enough to support short skip on 75 meters.

Another source of real time info are the HAP (Hourly Area Predictions) charts at http://www.ips.gov.au/HF_Systems/6/6/1. Select a location from the drop down menu, and you see a map showing propagation for various frequencies from that location.

Go to http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/stp/IONO/ for more information about ionosondes.

We got a report this week from Luke Steele, VK3HJ, in Benloch, Victoria, Australia. He will soon see the Spring equinox down under (our Autumnal Equinox in the Northern Hemisphere is September 23, nearly three weeks from now), and note at the end of his comments that he echoes K5NN regarding 80 meters.

"Just thought I'd drop a line and offer a DX perspective from my modest station in central Victoria, 50 miles NW of Melbourne."

"My main antenna here is a 520 foot doublet at 60 feet, with open wire to the shack and a 1/4 wave vertical for 40m."

"Conditions the past few months have been very quiet, with very little happening on 20m and up, although I have still been working DX on CW and PSK most evenings (0800-1400z). There are nearly always Russians to be seen on 20m PSK afternoons and evenings here."

"40 and 30m provide continuing interest, particularly CW and PSK. Contacts to the Pacific Islands and S Asia and JA are available in the evenings when I get on the air. Some Indian Ocean contacts to be had, recently with VQ9JC and VQ9LA on Diego Garcia on 20 and 40m, and 4S7NE in Sri Lanka."

"75m SSB looks average for this time of year with USA on most evenings. 40m CW to USA is mostly good, and SSB is light. I've also been hearing some North America on 160m CW most evenings, and have worked a couple. Top band OK out to Western Australia, Queensland and the western Pacific Islands (out to about 2500mi)."

"Nothing much from Europe, Africa, South America and the Caribbean for some months."

"Local club nets on 80m in the evenings have sometimes been difficult, over the past few months with close stations weak, those beyond about 500mi loud. There's also DX to be had in the mornings here, but I usually miss that, not being a 'morning person'!"

"So, there is still DX to be had, but operating modes and methods need to change to suit."

Thanks, Luke!

Bob Karpinski, WB8B from Clinton Township, Michigan has been having fun running QRP on 17 meters.

Bob wrote, "There was a very sporadic opening with very good signals from the far western edge of EU on 17m from 2300-0000z from Michigan. CT1JOP was worked on 17m CW with only 1 watt on 8/27/09 2330z! He lowered his power to 5w during the QSO and we had a 2-way QRP contact with 559 signals."

Steve Ickes, WB3HUZ of Lightfoot, Virginia wrote: "Despite the lack of sunspots, I've been enjoying world wide DX on 40 meters daily. 80 meters has been more active in the last few weeks with very strong

signals (5-9+20) from many stations out of Europe. It can only get better as the static begins to subside with fall coming."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for August 27 through September 2 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 12, 12, and 0 with a mean of 3.4. 10.7 cm flux was 67.7, 67.9, 68, 67.2, 68.3, 69.1, and 68.2 with a mean of 68.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 2, 2, 19, 5, 4 and 3 with a mean of 5.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 2, 2, 12, 5, 2 and 2 with a mean of 4.1.
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10690. 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 16:06:32 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10690 Message: 10690

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10691. RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 17:17:59 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10687 Message: 10691

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Friday, September 04, 2009 12:41 PM
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Date: 2009-09-04 17:46:11 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10687 Message: 10692

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10693. Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 18:25:01 UTC
From: Luciano
Topic: 10690 Message: 10693

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10694. RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 18:31:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10690 Message: 10694

Thank you VERY MUCH, Luciano.

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Sent: Friday, September 04, 2009 3:25 PM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 19:01:23 UTC
From: sgalonski1@aol.com
Topic: 10687 Message: 10695

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Date: 2009-09-04 19:09:35 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10687 Message: 10696

I understand, Stan, that this has been tried before. And I'm not about to identify him, at least at this time, until I see if there is any other feedback like yours. Then I might consider it.

Since this is a real thorn in my side, I will keep everyone posted.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Date: 2009-09-04 19:31:13 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10687 Message: 10697

You can exchange IRC's at the Post Office for one unit of postage

to anywhere in the world. That means one Airmail Stamp.

Now the guys selling IRC's today most likely have the ones that expire

the end of this year. That means you have to mail it to the DX station

and he has to exchange it for postage by then, or else it's just fancy

paper.

I don't see many new IRC's being sold yet. It may take several months

before a manager accumulates enough to sell.

It's not like the "olde dayes" ...

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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10698. Re: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 19:47:13 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10687 Message: 10698

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10699. Re: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 20:04:53 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10687 Message: 10699

The one I was thinking of has a EA prefix.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 20:01:35 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10687 Message: 10700

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10701. RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 20:08:28 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10687 Message: 10701

Airmail postage to anywhere from the US is around 98 cents or so. It is less than 1 dollar.

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10702. RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 20:07:59 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10687 Message: 10702

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Date: 2009-09-04 20:12:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
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Date: 2009-09-04 20:13:16 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
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10705. RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 20:18:46 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10687 Message: 10705

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Date: 2009-09-04 20:20:55 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10687 Message: 10708

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10710. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10710


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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 247 Issued at 2200Z on 04 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 03/2100Z
to 04/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 03/2100Z to 04/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet. A single period of
unsettled levels was observed at mid-latitudes between
03/2100-2400Z.
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III. Event Probabilities 05 Sep-07 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
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IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 Sep 068
Predicted 05 Sep-07 Sep 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 04 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 Sep 004/004
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10711. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 22:21:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10711

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-04 22:59:35 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10687 Message: 10712

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Date: 2009-09-04 23:05:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10687 Message: 10713

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Dick, W0MLY gave me a good number of the former French colonies when they became independent back in the 60s. As I recall, I sent all of my QSLs in one envelope with an SAE and a $5.00 bill
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Subject: RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

Airmail postage to anywhere from the US is around 98 cents or so. It is less than 1 dollar.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 9/4/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, September 4, 2009, 3:01 PM

Ah yes, Richard! But, for those of us who don't mail letters to Europe and Asia from the USA, just how much does it cost and hence, how much can you get for one IRC, for postage. Sorry, I'm but a dumb Canuck.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Friday, September 04, 2009 4:31 PM
To: DX List - New
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers

You can exchange IRC's at the Post Office for one unit of postage
to anywhere in the world. That means one Airmail Stamp.

Now the guys selling IRC's today most likely have the ones that expire
the end of this year. That means you have to mail it to the DX station
and he has to exchange it for postage by then, or else it's just fancy
paper.
I don't see many new IRC's being sold yet. It may take several months
before a manager accumulates enough to sell.

It's not like the "olde dayes" ...

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> From: aleith@... .ca
> Date: Fri, 4 Sep 2009 14:46:11 -0300
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] The best QSLers
>
> I'm not sure I want to start a thread on this, John, but since I'm in a
> QSLing phase, I want to comment on something that has bothered me for
some
> time.
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> When I first got into hamming, back in the late 50s, a QSL was sent to
the
> station worked as a matter of courtesy. In my case, I got into using an
> SAE and an IRC (they were pretty cheap in those days and the ones they
had
> for British Commonwealth countries were even cheaper) for rarer stations
> sometime in the early 60s. I also used the bureau and often waited years
> for responses.
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> I didn't really twig to using US postage on my SAEs to the States for
some
> time, I think. And back then, most QSL managers were in the States with a
> few in other countries. So, IRCs were very common.
>
> Then some folks started including green stamps in their envelopes and
today
> it is not uncommon for QSL managers to expect a "donation" with their
> requests from fellow hams. It has gotten so that one European ham, who
> handles a lot of stations, DEMANDS US$2 for each request, with only one

> card in an envelope for each of the stations. For the cards I need from
> this one manager it would cost me over US$30 for the cards, the required
> payment for the cards and the postage to mail them. And this guy doesn't
> use LoTW. Not gonna happen!!! And, he's not the only such manager.
>
> Quite honestly, I simply can't afford to collect QSLs from these bandits
> who show up at hamfests all over the world on other people's "donations"
to
> their pockets.
>
> IRCs in Canada are priced out of reach for me. I purchase them from
> managers who aren't out to make a killing on them (there are a few) or I
> use ones that come to me. I believe that an IRC can be cashed in the USA
> for about $1.30 -- perhaps I'm wrong --- and I certainly won't buy them
> from guys who advertised them for more than $1.50. And no matter what
they
> say, no manager needs more than one IRC to send a reply.
>
> Quite honestly, I would dearly love to see the ARRL take action against
> these gonifs. I would like to see the ARRL disallow QSLs for credit from
> managers who take advantage of the system. I know they can't demand LoTW
> uploads for their awards but I also feel they shouldn't' allow QSLing to
> become prohibitively expensive, as it now is in many cases. I'm preparing
> to upload my logs to LoTW but there are still some QSLs I would like to
> have for my collection. And because RSGB doesn't recognize LoTW, I "need"
> cards for that award.
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> Certainly, an SAE and return postage of some sort is acceptable, with an
> added donation if you're financially capable of sending one. Beyond that,
> it is highway robbery.
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf
Of
> John Geiger
> Sent: Friday, September 04, 2009 12:41 PM
> To: dx-is@yahoogroups. com

> Subject: [DX-IS] The best QSLers
>
> I put up a dualband yagi (2m/70cm) at the end of July and got back on the
> satellites after a break of a couple of years. I have found the satellite
> ops to be the ultimate QSLers!
>
> These guys will go on a grid expedition to a rare grid, and then send out
> QSLs to everyone they work, at their own expense, without any
solicitation
> or SASEs on your part. Wow, what QSLers!
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> I wish some of the DX stations would do this as well, as getting even a
> bureau card out of some of them seems to be impossible.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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10714. Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-05 19:13:15 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10690 Message: 10714

Recd 40m confirmation from this address

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TRABIA, PA 90019
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--- On Fri, 9/4/09, Luciano <pt7wa@...> wrote:

From: Luciano <pt7wa@globo.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, September 4, 2009, 1:25 PM

Yes ALAN, QSL via IT9AZS.

73 de Luciano PT7WA

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[[Alan Leith escreveu:

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> Conditions are crappy. So, I'm looking through old IOTA QSOs.

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> Did anyone ever receive a QSL from 5T0AS/P (AF050) from April 1995? If

> so, how did you get the card?

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> 73

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> Al, VE1AL

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10715. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-05 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10715

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 248 Issued at 2200Z on 05 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 04/2100Z
to 05/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 04/2100Z to 05/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on days one and two (06-07 September). Quiet to
unsettled levels, with isolated active periods at high latitudes,
are expected on day three (08 September), as a coronal hole
high-speed stream is expected to rotate into a geoeffective
position.
III. Event Probabilities 06 Sep-08 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 05 Sep 069
Predicted 06 Sep-08 Sep 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 05 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 04 Sep 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 05 Sep 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 06 Sep-08 Sep 005/005-005/005-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 06 Sep-08 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/20
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10716. RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-06 19:44:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10690 Message: 10716

Thanks, Mike. The card is ready to be mailed next week.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Michael W Elliott
Sent: Saturday, September 05, 2009 4:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Recd 40m confirmation from this address

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, September 4, 2009, 1:25 PM

Yes ALAN, QSL via IT9AZS.

73 de Luciano PT7WA
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> Conditions are crappy. So, I'm looking through old IOTA QSOs.
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> so, how did you get the card?
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> Al, VE1AL
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10717. RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-06 20:22:10 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10690 Message: 10717

good luck

send me some luck to work a VO2 or zone 2 in canada for my last WAZ
conditions have sucked for the last year

vo2ff
vo2ns

both both the guys up there this weekend and no 10m band

life is cruel

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--- On Sun, 9/6/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, September 6, 2009, 2:44 PM

Thanks, Mike. The card is ready to be mailed next
week.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
[mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Michael W
Elliott
Sent: Saturday, September 05, 2009 4:13 PM
To:
DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS]
5T0AS/P

Recd 40m confirmation from this address

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PM

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> Al, VE1AL
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10718. RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-06 21:12:27 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10690 Message: 10718

Gee, Mike, I'll do my best. I know that VO2FF and NS are sometimes on 20 CW (I can hear the pile-up) but those guys are generally pretty rare. The only kind of luck I have is bad luck so I don't know if you really want to rely on me :-(.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Michael W Elliott
Sent: Sunday, September 06, 2009 5:22 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

good luck

send me some luck to work a VO2 or zone 2 in canada for my last WAZ conditions have sucked for the last year

vo2ff
vo2ns

both both the guys up there this weekend and no 10m band

life is cruel

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, September 6, 2009, 2:44 PM

Thanks, Mike. The card is ready to be mailed next week.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Saturday, September 05, 2009 4:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

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10719. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-06 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10719

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 06 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 249 Issued at 2200Z on 06 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 05/2100Z
to 06/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 05/2100Z to 06/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet. A single period of
unsettled levels was observed at mid-latitudes between 06/03-06Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet on day one (07 September). Quiet
to unsettled levels, with isolated active periods possible at high
latitudes, are expected on days two and three (08-09 September). The
increase in activity is due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed
stream that is expected to become geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 07 Sep-09 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
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Observed 06 Sep 069
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Observed Afr/Ap 05 Sep 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 06 Sep 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 07 Sep-09 Sep 005/005-007/008-010/010
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 07 Sep-09 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/20/25
Minor storm 01/01/01
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10720. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #924

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-07 00:28:05 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10720 Message: 10720

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.924
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 924

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 924
BID: $OPDX.924
September 7, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th-August, through Sunday, 6th-September there were 203 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5B/C4, CYPRUS. Andy, LZ2HM, will be active as 5B/LZ2HM between September 10-15th. Activity will be on the HF bands plus 6 and 2 meters (KM64HV). Also, he will be active as C4I (on SSB) in the Worked All Europe DX Contest (WAEDC), September 12-13th. QSL via LZ2HM, using info on QRZ.com.

5B, CYPRUS. Nick, G3RWF, will be active once again from the Island of Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA L0051) as 5B/G3RWF between September

8-22nd. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

7Q, MALAWI. QSL Manager Allan, G0IAS, informs OPDX that Harry, 7Q7HB (G0JMU), is again in Malawi for a period of up to 3 months. He is going to be active MAINLY on the Digital modes and CW. QSL as usual is ONLY DIRECT to G0IAS with sufficient funds for return cards. NO BUREAU cards. NO eQSLs. Just old fashioned paper cards DIRECT!

A3, TONGA (News). Paul Kidd, A35RK, reports that the first special non-resident "contest" callsign, A31A, was just issued to a group of European operators who will be in Tonga in November, he presumes for the CQWW DX CW Contest. Also, Paul was granted the first "resident" special callsign, A35A, which he will only use for contests and special events. A35RK is still his "regular" callsign. Paul provides the following special announcement by the Department of Communications (dated September 2nd):
The Radio Licensing Officer for the Kingdom of Tonga, Fe'ao Vakata, has today approved the following changes in licensing procedures:

1) Callsigns issued to citizens and long-term residents of Tonga will be in the A35xx format.
2) A Tongan citizen or long-term resident can, upon request, be issued a "special" callsign for use in contests and special events. This "special" callsign will be in the A35x format.
3) Visiting operators will be issued an A31xx format callsign upon presentation of a valid license from their home country and payment of license fee.
4) Visiting groups of operators, for contest and special event purposes only, may request a special callsign in the A31x format.
Note that, hereafter, all visitors will be issued callsigns from the newly authorized A31 prefix block. The A35 prefix block is reserved for residents only.

Further information and license applications may be obtained from:
Fe'ao Vakata, Licensing Officer
Ministry of Communications and Information
P.O. Box 1380
Nuku'alofa, Tonga
ph: (676) 28-170
email: fvakata@...
fax: (676) 24-861

AN8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Luis/EA8AY, Jeronimo/EA8NC and Jose/EA8CCD will use the special callsign AN8R during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via EA8AY. Visit the special AN8R Web page at: http://www.ea8ay.com/an8r_team/index.html

B7, CHINA. Look for B7P to be active in this year's CQWW DX Contest by the following group of operators:
CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th)- Operators Terry/BA7NQ, JinQuan/BA7JC, Paul/BA7JS, Guo/BA7IN, Yang/BD7IXG, Wu/BA7IA, Hu/BD7KSF and Lv/BD7MFB. Possibly as a Multi-Multi or

Multi-Single entry.
CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) - Operators Terry/BA7NQ, JinQuan/
BA7JC, Paul/BA7JS, Guo/BA7IN, Yang/BD7IXG, Wu/BA7IA and Esa/
OH7WV. Multi-Multi entry.
Activity by both groups will be on 160-10 meters. QSL both operations
via BD7IXG.

CT8, AZORES. Frank, DK5FT, will be active as CT8/DK5FT from the Island of
Sao Miguel (EU-003, DIP AZ-002, WLOTA L2016), September 10-22nd. Activity
will be on all bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL via his home
callsign, bureau is preferred.

CT8, AZORES. Chris, DL2MDU, will be active as CT8/DL2MDU from the Island
of Sao Miguel (EU-003, DIP AZ-002, WLOTA L-2016), September 13-26th.
Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, by the
bureau (preferred) and LoTW.

DX MAGAZINE'S MOST WANTED SURVEY. It is that time again to participate
in DX Magazine's annual "Most Wanted Survey". The 2009 survey is now being
taken through October 15th. Carl, N4AA, editor of "QRZ DX" and "The DX
Magazine" <http://www.dxpub.com/> reports that the survey forms are
available at: http://www.dxpub.com/dx_survey2009.html
PLEASE NOTE: Carl states, "THIS IS NOT - REPEAT NOT - A COMPLETE LIST OF
ALL DXCC COUNTRIES. However, if you need something that is not on the
list, you may add it at the bottom of the survey form in the COMMENTS
box. Please pass the word to your DXer friends that the survey is up and
running and will be there until OCTOBER 15th."

EE2, SPAIN. Members of the Ondarroa Group will be active as EE2W from
Ondarroa City (WW Loc. IN83SH, DME: 48073, Province of Biscay) during
the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL
via EB2BXL.

ET3, ETHIOPIA. Jim, WU0I, currently in Addis Ababa as a U.S. Foreign
Service Officer, expects to be on the air by October as ET3JD after
certain formalities are taken care for the importation of his amateur
radio equipment. He expects to have his gear and the permission to
use it completed within 2 weeks. Activity will be mainly 40/20/15
meters, but he would also like to spend more time on the WARC bands ☐
particularly 30 and 17 meters. Modes will be CW, SSB, PSK31 and possibly
RTTY (for contests mostly). Jim mentions, "My CW is pretty rusty, so
please be patient with me!" QSL only direct to: Jim DeLoach, ET3JD,
2030 Addis Ababa Place, Dulles VA 20189-2030, USA. For more details
and updates, visit: http://www.deloach.net/ET3JD.html

FS, ST. MARTIN. Gregg, W6IZT, will be active as FS/W6IZT from St. Martin
Island (IOTA NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA L-0383, Grid FK88) between now
and September 13th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB and
RTTY. QSL via N7XG, direct or by the bureau or LoTW.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Dennis, KT8X, will once again be active as FS/KT8X from
March 5-12th. This will be a holiday style operation with an emphasis on

the 30/17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. However, he does plan to enter the ARRL DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op entry. QSL route will be the "Logbook of The World" (LoTW).

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). As the FR5GA team departs from Reunion Island on September 11th this week to head to Glorioso Island, many DXers world-wide will be crossing their fingers hoping that this operation will take place and not be postponed again.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-011. Operators Dave/G4IAR and XYL Judith/G4IAQ will be active as G4LAB/p from the Isles of Scilly between October 9-19th. Activity will be on the HF bands, on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via G4IAR, direct only (QRZ.com address).

EU-014. Nicolas, F5TGR, will once again be active as TK/F5TGR from Porto Vecchio, Island of Corsica (DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA L-1390), between September 6-18th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. He will also try to be active from an island in the EU-100 group. QSL 100% via the French REF bureau.

EU-025. Angelo, IW9HLM, will once again be active as IR9X from S. Agata Li Battiati Catania, Sicily Island (IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107, WLOTA L-1362, WW Loc. JM77MN) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL direct to IW9HLM, or LoTW.

EU-094. Members of the Granville ARC (F5KAQ) will be active from Saint Nicolas Island (DIFM AT-010, WW Loc. IN77XR), in the Glenans archipelago (in French Britanny and Province Britanny [DPF 06]), September 11-18th. They will be using the callsign F5KAQ/p and homecall/p. Activity will be on HF bands, as well as 6 and 2 meters, possibly as high as 10 GHz, using CW, RTTY, PSK and SSB. Operators mentioned are: Benoit/F8PDR, Jean-Jacques/F5NKX, Denis/F5RJM, Rolf/F9ZG, Alain/F5HVI, Rene/F6CMC and Alain/F6ACH. QSL via F5RJM, direct to CBA w/SAE (1 IRC or 1 USD for Europe, and 1 IRC or 2 USDs elsewhere) or by the French Ref-Union Bureau. This is the same group that activated Tombelaine (2007) and Brehat (2008).

EU-109. Jon, M0OVL, will be active as homecall/p from the Island of Inner Farne, September 25-26th. However, this will be a short 4 hours operation (each day) between 1000-1400z. This activation will be dependent on the weather conditions. Visit his Web site at: http://www.m0ovl.co.uk

EU-125. Rene, DL2JRM, will be active as OZ/DL2JRM/p from Romo Island (DIA NS-001), September 18-20th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

NA-044. Juergen, NF6J, will be active as VO2/NF6J from Battle Island (CISA NF-049) between now and September 11th. Activity will be on 30/20/15 meters, CW only. QSL via DL7RV, direct or by the bureau.

NA-062. Mark, KG8DP, will once again activate Grassey Key between November 2-9th. Operations will be stationary at Grassey Key and mobile has he travels to Key West and all points on the ocean. He will use the callsign KG8DP, as well as his club callsign NA8KD. This will be a week trip. QSL both KG8DP/NA8KD via info on QRZ.com (w/SASE). Mark will be using an IC-7000, 1.2 kw amp mobile and GLA-1000B portable amp. Antennas were not mentioned.

NA-230. (Rare IOTA) As this bulletin was being written, Cezar, VE3LYC, was active as VY0O from Gilmour Island in the Ottawa Islands group in Hudson Bay (Nunavut Territory). Activity was mainly on 20 meters SSB. The length of his stay will be very short (maybe one or two days left or it possibly may be over by the time you read this).

J6, ST. LUCIA. Bill, WB5ZAM, will once again be active here as J68WI between September 28th and October 11th. He states, "Will have access to G5RV 160m antenna, so maybe I will be on there once it is up at J69MV's QTH. Modes SSB and CW." QSL via WB5ZAM.

JD1, MINAMI-TORISHIMA. Masa, JA6GXK, continues to be active as JD1BMM from Marcus Island (IOTA OC-073, JIIA OC-073-001) until September 28th. Activity is on all bands and modes. Over the past week he was very active on 30/20/17 meters using RTTY and PSK, with some 20 meters SSB. QSL by the bureau or direct (QRZ.com address).

JW, SVALBARD. Just a reminder that Ingrid/LA8FOA, Unni/LA6RHA and some YL members of the Scandinavian YL Radio Amateurs (SYLRA)(and possibly their OM) plan to activate the Longyearbyen radio station this week from Svalbard between September 6-13th. They have already received the callsign JW1SYL for the operation. For more details and updates, please visit the following Web pages at:
http://home.online.no/~la6rha/expedition_to_svalbard.htm
http://www.sylra.is/index2.html

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Just/LA9DL, Erling/LA6VM and Halvard/LA7XK will once again be active from Longyearbyen on Svalbard during the SSB part of the "2009 Scandinavian Activity Contest" (SAC) (September 26-27th). They will operate during the contest with the callsign JW5X. QSL is via LA5X, direct or via the LA bureau. Before and after the contest they will be active with their respective JW callsigns (JW9DL, JW7XK and JW6VM) on all bands and modes. QSL for these contacts are via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Look for JW7XK to be mainly on BPSK31 and RTTY, while JW9DL and JW6VM will work SSB and CW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For September 7-13th)....
Sep 7 AN SOLAR REFERENCE

Sep 8 AN ---------------
Sep 9 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 10 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 11 AN LN - Low Normal
Sep 12 AN
Sep 13 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
SPECIAL ADDED NOTES: Does not look too good from what Lee provides.
Lee states there were "NO" sunspots during the month of August 2009.
As this was being written, we are approaching 60 days in row without
any sunspots since July 10th. Lee states, "This is not a typical cycle
start up graphing the last four solar cycles. It has been reported
that this is only the 4th time the sun has been blank for at least 50
days since 1849. The 3rd longest streak on the list is 54 days between
February-April 1879. The record is 92 days in 1913. For more details
on the solar cycle and sunspots, visit the following Web sites at:
http://www.solarcycle24.com
http://users.telenet.be/j.janssens/Spotless/Spotless.html
On band conditions, Lee states that the low bands (160, 80/75 and 40
meters) continue to be very active on the North American continent.
It appears that 6 meter activity has closed down right after our last
meteor shower (Typical!!!).

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010.....
* The following people will represent the Central Texas DX and Contest
Club (CTDXCC) in the coming year:
President - Susan King, K5DU
Vice-President - Bob Farmer, W9BF
Secretary - Jim George, N3BB
Treasurer - Craig Markley, AD5YJ
DX Coordinator - Gerry Moravec, WD5AAM
Contest Coordinator - Jim Parnell, W5JAW
Web-Master - Ken Harker, WM5R
Visit the CTDXCC Web page at: http://www.ctdxcc.org

* The newly-formed Arizona Outlaws Contest Club announces its lineup of
officers for 2009-2010:
President - Bob Epstein, K8IA
North Region VP - Dick Zalewski, W7ZR
Central Region VP - Mike Fulcher, KC7V
South Region VP - Dave Gilbert, AB7E
Secretary/Treasurer/Webmistress - Sandy Farley, N7RQ
Public Relations/Awards - John Arthurs, K7WP

OD5, LEBANON. Look for special event station OD5F to be on the air from
September 27th to October 6th. Station's location is in the ☐Village
Francophone☐, Lebanese University in Hadath. Activity is to celebrate

the Francophone games which is held every 4 years. Some 3,000+ athletes, youths and artists from 56 French speaking countries will participate in these games. The event is a popular sports and art festival. For more details, see: http://www.libanvision.com/jeux-liban.htm
A special QSL card will be available. More info is forthcoming.

PA09, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event/LH Activity). Jaap, PA7DA, informs OPDX that during the "Open Monumentendag, European Heritage Days" in The Netherlands, on September 12th, the Noordwijk Lighthouse (NET-019) will be open to the public. Special event station PA09MONUMENT will be active on HF and 2 meters. QSL via the Dutch QSL Bureau (DQB) to PA7DA.

PACIFIC TOUR. Rick, AI5P, will once again head to the Pacific this coming October to activate three different islands. His tentative schedule between October 1-31st is as follows:
FK - Grande Terre, New Caledonia (OC-032, DIFO FK-001, WLOTA L-1280) between October 1-8th; his callsign FK/AI5P.
YJ - New Hebrides, Vanuatu (OC-035) between October 10-18th; his callsign YJ0PX.
VK9N - Norfolk Island (OC-005, WLOTA L-1469) between October 22-31st; his callsign AI5P/VK9N.
Activity from all locations will be mostly CW on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Operators Tom/ZP5AZL, Dale/N3BNA, Jorge/CX6VM, Noah/K2NG, Peter/PJ4NX, Anibal/ZP5VAY and possibly others will be active from Bonaire (SA-006) as PJ4K during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via ZP5AZL. Operators will be there between October 20-26th and will be active before and after the contest as PJ4/homecall. QSL via operator's instructions.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
FT5YI QSL STATUS. Nicolas, F4EGX, has received his QSL cards for his FT5YI activity (between November-December 2008) and will soon be sending them in the mail.

IRCS AVAILABLE.....
Steve, N3SL, reports: "Obviously you all know the current version IRCs expire 12/31/09. Handling ZK2V's recent trip, I now have over 200 of these 'short term' IRCs. If you can find the space, I'd appreciate the ad that I'll sell these at 1.25 USDs each - postage free for 1-19, 1 USD for any quantity over that." His E-mail address is: N3SL@...

John, K1XN, from The GoList, reports that he has only 25 IRCs left. They are all stamped and expire on 12/31/2009. First E-mail gets them at 1.00 USD each plus 75 cents shipping. If you are interested, E-mail him at: golist@...

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Jean-Michel, F6AJA, reports that he is NOT the QSL Manager for the latest activity of 4J0FR in August (correct route is QSL via F6FYD; the operator). Jean-Michel states, "I have only the

logs/QSLs for the August 1995 and December 1997-January 1998 operations."
The logs are on the web at: http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php

PIRATE ALERT. Phillip, ZL2TZE, reports that ZL callsigns from old operations are being targeted by pirates. The callsign ZL9C was heard on 40 meters August 26th. Phillip states, "If those who think a ZL call is a pirated one please check with the following link and input the callsign and a result will be had in seconds." The Web page is: http://www.nzart.org.nz/call-book/index.html
If you enter a callsign in the "Green Window" (such as ZL9C), you will get the following: Searching SMART for ZL9C
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Callsign|Name|Address
Results are produced directly from the RSM SMART database.
Data is protected by New Zealand Crown copyright.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 7P8DA, C6APR, CN3A, DV1JM, EA1AKS, EA3GLB, HI8PLE, J5UAP, KH2L, VK9GMW and OE1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2AG/P, 4J15TX, 7Q7SI, CG200I, EU5ROPE, HK5MQZ/0M, HU1M, JW/OK1JK, V51AS, VC8B, VE3DZ/VP9, VK9GMW, WX3B/p, YL2BJ and Z21SI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1A0KM, 3XM6JR, 5R8IC, 5T5DC, 6W/RW3TN, A5100A, H44V, JW8DW, KH0PR, P29NI, SV0XBM/9, TC53A, TN6X, UK8AJ, V51AS, V60IL, V8FWU, VP8DLS, XV3M, Z29KM and ZL7/KH0PR

S7, SEYCHELLES. Mauro, HB9ENI, will be active as S79MI from Praslin Island (AF-024), October 21-26th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using SSB and RTTY. He also plans to be on the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event callsign GB50ATG to be active on the air until the end of June 2010. Activity is to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the "British Amateur Radio Teledata Group (BARTG). Several BARTG members will be sharing the special callsign and will be operating from various locations. During the month of September, the callsign will be used by John, GW4SKA, from his usual address in Wales. This will include operations in the CQWW Contest. So, if you work GB50ATG in a contest "this month", it should count as a GW multiplier. Also, check the BARTG Web site for details on their "Golden Jubilee Award", special QSL cards and wall plaques at: http://www.bartg.org.uk

SPECIAL EVENT. Mark, KM6HB, will again (every year since 2005) operate special event station K6P in remembrance of "POW-MIA Recognition Day", September 18-20th (0000-2359z). Suggested operating frequencies are: SSB - 21350, 18150, 14253, 7250 kHz, and PSK-31 and RTTY on the appro-priated frequencies. Receive a folded pictured QSL card via KM6HB: Mark McMullen, P.O.Box 27271, Santa Ana, California 92799 (S.A.S.E please).

ST, SUDAN. Robert's, S53R, next work assignment (for UN WFP) has taken him here. He arrived in the Sudan early last week and expects to be on the air by the end of the month or early October. His possible callsign will be ST2X. He states, that his radio and amp are still in S5-land, but are expected to be shipped. More details are forthcoming.

SV5, DODECANESE. By the time you read this, Mort, G2JL, should be active as SV5/G2JL from Lipsi Island (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS-056, MIA MGD-017, WLOTA L-0766) for the next three months. Activity will be on all bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

TK, CORSICA (EU-014). Heinz, DF6ZY, will once again be active as TK/DF6ZY from the main island between September 16th and October 3rd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, mostly on RTTY, but he will switch to SSB or SSTV on request. QSLs via home callsign, by the DARC Bureau or direct.

TK, CORSICA. Rene, DL2JRM, will be active as TK/DL2JRM/p from the Island of San Cipriano (IOTA EU-164, DIFM TK-037, MIA MCO-013), September 14-15th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters QRP CW, using solar power. QSL direct or by the Bureau to DL2JRM.

V2, ANTIGUA. Tom, K7ZZ, will be active as V25Z from Yepton Estate Cottages (IOTA NA-100, WLOTA L-1118, WW Loc. FK97CC), which is located on the north shore of the island, between October 19-28th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via K7ZZ, direct only.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Members of the Uruguay DX Group's globetrotters are working on plans for this year's DXpedition. The group plans to activate the Falkland Islands for one week between November 14-21st. Their activity will focus on the lower bands, Digital modes and the 30/17/12 meter bands. Announced calls are: VP8BUH for SSB and VP8BUG for the Digitals modes. Operators mentioned include: Gus/CX2AM, Gus/CX3CE, Bert/CX3AN, Mario/CX4CR and Luis/CX4AAJ. Probably QSL Manager is EB7AEY. More details are forthcoming.

XR0, EASTER ISLAND (Update/Callsign Change). An international team of operators will be active as XR0Y (not XR0YA as first announced) from Rapa Nui between October 31st and November 15th. According to the newest licensing statement released by the Chilean Ministry of Telecommunication (aka Subtel), after arrangements by Radio Club de Chile, the group was delighted to announce that they received permission to use the new shorter, special callsign assigned to DXpeditions from Easter Island. Since this callsign has been in use 2 times in the past (1995, 2000), organizers of this expedition will pay much attention to inform numerous DX bulletins and QSL info databases about the new callsign and their QSL route for the upcoming activity in 2009. All details regarding their QSL Manager will be announced soon. For more details on this DXpedition, see OPDX.920 or visit their Web page at: http://rapanui2009.org

YJ, VANUATU. The Croatian team of Ante/9A4DU and Nikola/9A6DX are planning to be active as YJ0DU and YJ0DX, respectively, a little after the first of the New Year. The duo hopes to activate not one, but several of the islands

within Vanuatu. Their equipment will be a FT-857 with wire antennas.

YN, NICARAGUA (Update). Eric, K9GY, will be active as YN2GY from Octavio's, YN2N, QTH in Grenada, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (September 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will be there between November 25-30th. Outside of the contest, look for CW activity on 30/17/12 meters. QSL via LoTW or to his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

ZS10, SOUTH AFRICA (Special Event). Look for special event station ZS10WCS to be active between September 2009 and July 12th, 2010. Activity is to celebrate the hosting of the "2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa", world football event <http://www.fifa.com/worldcup/index.html>, where 200 teams will compete. Expect every day activity between June 1st and July 12th, but only weekend operations during the months leading up to the event. QSL via the SARL'S (South African Radio League) Bureau or direct to: SARL, P.O. Box 1721, Strubensvallei 1735, South Africa.

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10721. Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-07 04:08:01 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10690 Message: 10721

Mike;

There is always a Zone 2 in the CQWW Contest. (ssb last week Oct, cw last week of Nov0

Gud Lk

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Michael W Elliott" <kq0b@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 6, 2009 4:22:10 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

good luck

send me some luck to work a VO2 or zone 2 in canada for my last WAZ
conditions have sucked for the last year

vo2ff
vo2ns

both both the guys up there this weekend and no 10m band

life is cruel

Michael W. Elliott
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--- On Sun, 9/6/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...nk.ca>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, September 6, 2009, 2:44 PM

Thanks, Mike. The card is ready to be mailed next week.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Michael W Elliott
Sent: Saturday, September 05, 2009 4:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P

Recd 40m confirmation from this address

SALVATORE ALESCIO
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--- On Fri, 9/4/09, Luciano <pt7wa@globo. com> wrote:

From: Luciano <pt7wa@globo. com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5T0AS/P
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Date: Friday, September 4, 2009, 1:25 PM

Yes ALAN, QSL via IT9AZS.

73 de Luciano PT7WA
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[[Alan Leith escreveu:
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> Conditions are crappy. So, I'm looking through old IOTA QSOs.
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> Did anyone ever receive a QSL from 5T0AS/P (AF050) from April 1995? If
> so, how did you get the card?
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> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
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>

10722. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #924.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-07 14:08:36 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10722 Message: 10722

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 924.1
BID: $OPDX.924.1
September 7, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network F5NQL & UFT and F5OGL following DX information.

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). Didier, F5OGL, Glorioso 2009 team leader, sent out a press release (dated September 7th - edited by OPDX) stating that the FT5GA team (which includes Didier/F5OGL, Yves/F5PRU and Franco/F4EVR) picked up 291 kg of gear (transceivers, PAs, power supplies, antennas, masts and miscellaneous stuff). It was delivered to Mr. Alain Lefellec, the export freight manager of the "Logfret Inc." (international freight service), located at "Roissy Charles de Gaulle Airport". The team thanks him for his kind reception and his help to make this expedition a success. Two pallets of equipment will fly tomorrow to the Reunion Island, where they will be transported by the freight service to the Air Force Base 181. The team now has in their hands the authorization to transmit on the Radio Amateur Service bands, from Grande Glorieuse. The document of authorization can be viewed at the bottom of the "Glorieuses 2009" Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/index-e.htm

CORRECTION DEPARTMENT. The were two small errors in OPDX.924 under "FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update)". The original line states, "As the FR5GA team departs from Reunion Island on September 11th this week to head to Glorioso Island,", it should have stated "As the FT5GA team departs from Paris, France, on September 11th this week to head to Glorioso Island".

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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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10723. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-07 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10723

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 07 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 250 Issued at 2200Z on 07 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 06/2100Z
to 07/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (8-10 September).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 06/2100Z to 07/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet with isolated unsettled periods on day one and
day two (8-9 September). The increased activity is due to a
recurrent coronal hole high speed stream. On day three (10
September), the geomagnetic field will return to quiet levels.
III. Event Probabilities 08 Sep-10 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 07 Sep 069
Predicted 08 Sep-10 Sep 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 07 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 06 Sep 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Sep 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Sep-10 Sep 005/008-007/010-005/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Sep-10 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/15/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10724. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-08 12:05:40 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 10724

Paul, hoping you are following the sun more closely than I am.

Have the magnetic poles of the sun flipped yet? [An indicator of the solar sun spot cycle going to minimum]

Or, are we approaching a sun spot maximum in 2011-2012 where we will see 070/070/070 instead of 100+ numbers :-)

DD
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Monday, September 07, 2009 6:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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Predicted 08 Sep-10 Sep 068/068/068
90 Day Mean 07 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 06 Sep 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Sep 002/005

Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Sep-10 Sep 005/008-007/010-005/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Sep-10 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/15/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10725. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-08 14:17:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10725

At 09:05 AM 9/8/2009, Deacon Dave wrote:

>Paul, hoping you are following the sun more closely than I am.
>
>Have the magnetic poles of the sun flipped yet? [An indicator of the
>solar sun spot cycle going to minimum]
>
>Or, are we approaching a sun spot maximum in 2011-2012 where we will
>see 070/070/070 instead of 100+ numbers :-)
>
>DD

Hi Dave,

That message is auto-generated and sent to the list so I don't study it every day. It is always huge same anyhow! The key line is "Predicted 08 Sep-10 Sep 068/068/068", which has remained virtually unchanged for over a year. Signal noise and the distance between Earth and the sun have caused it to plunge to 66 or skyrocket to 70, but for the most part, the sun is dead.

As to your question, I don't really know if the pole reversal has occurred. Cycle 23 and cycle 24 sunspots are differentiated by their magnetic polarity (and their position on the sun, with those from a new cycle being higher in solar latitude than the declining cycle.) Most of the "spots" observed in the mast year or two are cycle 24, so I guess that indicates some sort of reversal is in progress or has occurred. By the way, the last I read, they moved the predicted cycle peak to 2013 or 2014.

There is a huge controversy as to whether or not many of these cycle 24 spots should even be counted. We have the technology today to see tiny specks that would never have been seen a century ago, and some of the scientists argue they wouldn't even have been detected 20 years ago. Most are short lived, as well. Everything points to a the sun entering a quiescent phase that we have not seen before. We are in uncharted waters and no one knows what is happening.

Most days I read the message boards on the following web site:

http://www.solarcycle24.com/

That is where the "experts" hash out all this stuff. It makes interesting reading, but is of little help in understanding what is going on, or when things might improve. I have a curious mind, having worked with research scientists all my life. However, I claim to be no expert in solar physics! As Hugh Cassidy put it many years

ago, "I just report'em as I get'em."

Oh, here's another "optimistic" article from NASA:

http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2009/03sep_sunspots.htm

Sigh . . . did you notice that with the exception of Midway in October few, if any, DXpeditions are being planned? It seems DXing and Ham radio in general may have been a hobby of the 20th century. I sure hope that is not the case. Let's hope things are rocking and rolling in a year . . . although I said the same thing last September.

73, Paul VE1DX

10726. Interesting observations, thoughts appreciate

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-08 21:57:09 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10726 Message: 10726

Just worked VK4DHF on 20 CW, 2132 UTC. He was 400 watts into a LPDA, I had 5 watts into an off-center-fed dipole at 32 feet. He was booming in at S8 into central North Carolina with his CQ, but nobody else called him and I got him on the first call.

OBSERVATIONS:

. Noone else called him after I was done with the QSO

. At the time of the QSO, he and I were perpendicular to our gray-line areas. We were both about 1500 miles from ours; me late in the day, him early

. The signal was fairly steady for the duration of the QSO

ASSUMPTIONS:

. Higher angle of arrival (above 15 degrees) for him to be that strong on this antenna

THEORIES:

. Noone else called him, so it was a point-to-point phenomenon unique to my QTH

. Skewed path along the gray line. I have not observed this phenomenon before for VK from this QTH, and certainly would not have expected it with the low dipole

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

Hillsborough, NC - FM06kb

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10727. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-08 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10727

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 08 2204 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 251 Issued at 2200Z on 08 Sep 2009
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otherwise void of activity and continues to be spotless.
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PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 08 Sep 069
Predicted 09 Sep-11 Sep 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 08 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 07 Sep 003/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 08 Sep 003/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 09 Sep-11 Sep 007/010-005/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Sep-11 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10728. SV2ASP/A RTTY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 00:32:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10728 Message: 10728

Got a RTTY QSL card from SV2ASP/A today for a QSO on 6
August. Was suspicious that it might have been Slim, but it
apparently was Apollo himself. His call has been pirated a few times
on teletype, so nice to finally work that one.

73, Paul VE1DX

10729. Re: [DX-IS] SV2ASP/A RTTY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 00:33:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10728 Message: 10729

Congrats Paul! Just rub it in for those of us still needing Mt. Athos on any band and mode!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 9/8/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] SV2ASP/A RTTY QSL
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 7:32 PM

Got a RTTY QSL card from SV2ASP/A today for a QSO on 6
August. Was suspicious that it might have been Slim, but it
apparently was Apollo himself. His call has been pirated a few times
on teletype, so nice to finally work that one.

73, Paul VE1DX

10730. Re: [DX-IS] SV2ASP/A RTTY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 00:40:52 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10728 Message: 10730

At 09:33 PM 9/8/2009, you wrote:

>Congrats Paul! Just rub it in for those of us still needing Mt.
>Athos on any band and mode!
>
>73s John AA5JG

Well, John, it was a long time coming. He isn't that
active. This only after ~25 years of chasing him and working a few
pirates. I manage to work the real Mount Athos about once every 5
years . . . not very easy, that's for sure.

The "easy" one was when DJ6SI went there in the early 1990s, but
I was on a ship at sea and missed it.

73, Paul VE1DX

10731. Re: [DX-IS] SV2ASP/A RTTY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 02:30:49 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10728 Message: 10731

It is the last one I need for EU. Too bad I missed Baldur as well. He would make BS7 easy to work!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 9/8/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] SV2ASP/A RTTY QSL
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 7:40 PM

At 09:33 PM 9/8/2009, you wrote:

>Congrats Paul! Just rub it in for those of us still needing Mt.
>Athos on any band and mode!
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>73s John AA5JG

Well, John, it was a long time coming. He isn't that
active. This only after ~25 years of chasing him and working a few
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73, Paul VE1DX

10732. USPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 03:25:43 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10732 Message: 10732

Interesting! I received three QSLs on Monday in SASEs I had supplied to managers in the USA. The total of the stamps on each envelope:

Envelope 1 -- 75-cents + 1 H rate stamp (not for use outside the USA)
Envelope 2 -- 76-cents
Envelope 3 -- 39-cents (I thought the 4-cent stamp was 40-cents!!!)

No wonder the USPS is in trouble.

Anyway, needless to say, I'm glad they all made it through. Some new band/mode countries and one new IOTA.

73

Al, VE1AL

10733. Re: [DX-IS] USPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 03:48:54 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10732 Message: 10733

At 08:25 PM 9/8/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
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I think the USPS automatic sorting machines are only capable of
scanning for the presence of postage, not the amount of it. Oversize
stuff or anything else that attracts a pair of eyes can get caught,
but stuff within spec pretty much gets a free pass. There is just
too much of it.

Dick

PS: As I'm sure you know, the current US-to-Canada rate is 79-cents.
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10734. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 06:47:31 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9721 Message: 10734

Hi Paul,

Thanks for that. Well the numbers might be down but you were a very readable 579 this morning on 40 CW long path at around 2300z.

Don't know why you couldn't hear me, but I guess it was getting a bit late, 2230z would have been better.

Anyway, great to hear your sigs, I am guessing it would have been over the south pole, though at this time of year it may have been north.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, 9 September 2009 6:11 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Sep-11 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

10735. Re: [DX-IS] USPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 14:41:00 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 10732 Message: 10735

Dick:

I once asked my local TX postmaster about "postage due" mail and he said the USPS "depends" mainly on its local carriers to be alert to this. So it appears if your local carrier doesn't notice that postage is due then it doesn't get collected. Only time I've ever gotten a letter back for postage due is when I forgot to put a stamp on the letter.

I often get ads, solicitation letters, etc. with several cents postage due stamped on them and the carrier just leaves an envelope for payment in the mailbox out front.

What was really irritating was once I went in to mail a letter 'cause I didn't have a stamp so I gave it to the clerk for a "metered" stamp. The clerk was so sure of himself that it was more than 1 ounce he took it to three USPS windows and weighed it. Two of the three, including the one at his window, said exactly one ounce, while the third said 1.1 ounces, so he charged me for two ounces. I almost told him where he could send the letter, but held my calm.

Tom, WW5L

--- On Tue, 9/8/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@k7vc.com> wrote:

> From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.
> Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 10:48 PM
> At 08:25 PM 9/8/2009, Alan Leith
> wrote:
> >Interesting! I received three QSLs on Monday in
> SASEs I had supplied to
> >managers in the USA. The total of the stamps on
> each envelope:
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> too much of it.
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> Dick
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> dick@...
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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>   mailto:DX-IS-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com
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10736. Re: [DX-IS] USPS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 14:48:12 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10732 Message: 10736

At 11:41 AM 9/9/2009, you wrote:
>Dick:
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>I once asked my local TX postmaster about "postage due" mail and he
>said the USPS "depends" mainly on its local carriers to be alert to
>this. So it appears if your local carrier doesn't notice that
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>on the letter.
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>
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>than 1 ounce he took it to three USPS windows and weighed it. Two
>of the three, including the one at his window, said exactly one
>ounce, while the third said 1.1 ounces, so he charged me for two
>ounces. I almost told him where he could send the letter, but held my calm.
>
>Tom, WW5L

You want to send one for free, address it to yourself and put
the other guy's address in the upper left corner and it will get
"returned" to him as postage due! :-)

I have never tried this, but some guy with too much spare time
on his hands suggested it a couple of years ago. Wonder if it would
work . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

10737. Re: [DX-IS] USPS - Supplemental

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 14:54:08 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10737 Message: 10737

At 11:48 AM 9/9/2009, I wrote:

> You want to send one for free, address it to yourself and put
>the other guy's address in the upper left corner and it will get
>"returned" to him as postage due! :-)
>
> I have never tried this, but some guy with too much spare time
>on his hands suggested it a couple of years ago. Wonder if it would
>work . . .
>
>73, Paul VE1DX

Forgot the essential part. Don't put a stamp on it!

73, Paul VE1DX

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>Yahoo! Groups Links
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10738. RE: ZB2X QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 19:12:41 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10738 Message: 10738

WHOOPS!!! Sorry.

-----Original Message-----
From: Alan Leith [mailto:aleith@...]
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2009 4:11 PM
To: 'Alan Leith'
Subject: RE: ZB2X QSL

Hello Jorma,

Just want you to know that the QSL for our 1995 QSO on 80M CW arrived today
- Sept. 9, 2009.

Thank you very, very much because I now have ZB2 confirmed on all 8 bands
from 10-80M.

73 and see you in CQWW.

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: Alan Leith [mailto:aleith@...]
Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2009 11:17 AM
To: 'Jorma Saloranta'
Subject: RE: ZB2X QSL

In that case, Jorma, thank you again very much. If we do not meet on the
air before then, I will be looking for you in November.

73

Al

-----Original Message-----
From: Jorma Saloranta [mailto:jorma.saloranta@...]
Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2009 11:14 AM
To: Alan Leith
Subject: Re: ZB2X QSL

OM Al, no postages needed, tks.
It's simpler this way,
cu
oh2ki

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: "'Jorma Saloranta'" <jorma.saloranta@...>
Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2009 5:03 PM

Subject: RE: ZB2X QSL

> Yes, Jorma, the address on QRZ.com is correct and I thank you very,
> very much. My 5BDXCC is dated Oct. 31, 1994, #3697. I am now trying
> to finish with 200 DXCC countries on each of those bands and also to
> confirm 8BDXCC,
>
> It will be my great pleasure to work you on as many bands as possible
> in this year's CQWWCW on every band we can QSO.
>
> Would you like me to drop an IRC in the mail to you to cover the cost
> of mailing the QSL?
>
> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Jorma Saloranta [mailto:jorma.saloranta@...]
> Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2009 9:09 AM
> To: Alan Leith
> Subject: Re: ZB2X QSL
>
> card went out, hoping you got the CW 100x8 I never got my 5BDXCC, and
> all QSLs I have put away except the basic mixed DXCC where all is at
> home, QRX for the next new one.
> 73 Jorma OH2KI
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
> To: <jorma.saloranta@...>
> Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2009 12:11 AM
> Subject: ZB2X QSL
>
>
>> Dear OM Jorma,
>>
>> I noticed recently that I do not have a QSL for our 80M CW QSO from
>> 23 November 1995 at 0141Z.
>>
>> If you still have the logs for that operation, could you please check
>> to see if I am in the log. If so, I will send a card via the bureau
>> (or direct if you prefer). I have ZB2 on all bands from 10-80M
>> confirmed but
>

>> a
>> CW QSL for 80M will give it to me on eight bands on CW.
>>
>> Thanks for your time.
>>
>> 73
>>
>> Al, VE1AL
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>

10739. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-09 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10739

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10740. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-10 04:16:10 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 10740

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (August 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in August, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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10741. ARLD036 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-10 21:43:58 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6057 Message: 10741

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD036
ARLD036 DX news

ZCZC AE36
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 36 ARLD036
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 10, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD036
ARLD036 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

CYPRUS, 5B. Andy, LZ2HM is QRV as 5B/LZ2HM until September 15. Activity is on the HF bands, including 6 and 2 meters. He will be active as C4I in the Worked All Europe SSB contest. QSL to home call.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Daniel, DF8UO will be QRV as 5R8UO from September 12 to 20. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mainly CW. QSL to home call.

MALAWI, 7Q. Harry, G0JMU is QRV as 7Q7HB for about three months. He is active mainly using CW and digital modes. QSL direct via G0IAS.

TONGA, A3. Effective immediately, 60 meters is allowed on a secondary restricted basis using the same band plan and power limitations as authorized by the Federal Communications Commission for the US.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. Matthias, DJ8OG is QRV as CT9/home call until September 15. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters. He will be active as CR3L in the Worked All Europe SSB contest. QSL CR3L via DJ6QT and all others to home call.

GLORIOSO ISLANDS, FR/G. A group of operators will soon be QRV as FT5GA until early October from Grand Glorieuse Island, IOTA AF-011. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 with four stations active simultaneously. QSL via operators' instructions.

SCOTLAND, GM. Look for G3IZD, G7MRL and G0HIK to be QRV as GM3IZD, GM7MRL and GM0HIK, respectively, from the Isle of Islay, IOTA EU-008, from September 12 to 18. QSL to home calls.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. Mike, KE7WRJ is QRV as HL9QST for about two months. He is active on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

MINAMI-TORISHIMA, JD1. Masa, JA6GXK is QRV as JD1BMM from Marcus Island, IOTA OC-073, until September 28. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL to home call.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PA09MONUMENT will be QRV on September 12 during the Open Monumentendag, European Heritage Days from the Noordwijk Lighthouse, ARLHS NET-019. Activity will be on HF and 2 meters. QSL via bureau. In addition, special event station PA2009YSL will be QRV from the IJssellinie complex on September 12 and 13. QSL via PF1JM.

BONAIRE, CURACAO, PJ2. Operators PE2MC and PG4M are QRV as PJ4/home calls from Bonaire, IOTA SA-006, until September 16. This includes being active as PJ4NX in the Worked All Europe SSB DX contest. QSL PJ4NX via PA3CNX and all others via home calls.

DODECANESE, SV5. Mort, G2JL is QRV as SV5/home call from Lipsi Island, IOTA EU-001, for the next three months. Activity is on all bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL to home call.

WEST KIRIBATI, T30. Gerben, PG5M is QRV as T30GM and has been active on 17 meters around 0200z. QSL to home call.

CENTRAL KIRIBATI, T31. Craig, N3BQR is QRV as T31AA from Phoenix Island, IOTA OC-043, until September 25 while on a scientific mission. He is active mostly on 20 meters using SSB. QSL via operator's instructions.

CORSICA, TK. Nicolas, F5TGR is QRV as TK/home call from Porto Vecchio, IOTA EU-014, until September 18. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. He may also try to be active from IOTA EU-100. QSL to home call.

CAMEROON, TJ. Lionel, F5PSA is QRV as TJ3SL. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters using SSB in his spare time. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL September VHF QSO Party, Worked All Europe SSB DX Contest, North American CW Sprint, FISTS Get Your Feet Wet CW Weekend, NCCC Sprint, PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80-Meter Sprint, Swiss HTC QRP CW Sprint, Arkansas QSO Party, Ohio State Parks on the Air, SOC Marathon CW Sprint and the SKCC Weekend CW Sprint will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. Please see September QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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10742. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-10 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10742

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 10 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 253 Issued at 2200Z on 10 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 09/2100Z
to 10/2100Z: Solar activity was very low.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 09/2100Z to 10/2100Z:
The geomagnetic filed was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (11-13 September).
III. Event Probabilities 11 Sep-13 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 10 Sep 069
Predicted 11 Sep-13 Sep 069/068/068
90 Day Mean 10 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 09 Sep 002/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 10 Sep 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 11 Sep-13 Sep 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 11 Sep-13 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10743. Feedback loops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 06:13:05 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10743 Message: 10743

Feedback loops

One of the Local QRPers came around the bend and made his way up the hill. This one was in a lot better shape that the last time we had seen him, presumably because he had taken out a membership in the local gym. There was a lot less puffing and a lot less sweat when he made it to the verandah and sat down.

"Well", he said, "I've been thinking." This was cause for immediate interest because when a QRPer starts thinking, often the unexpected arises. "The solar cycle is stuck. The flux is 68, and has been for a long time. It won't be rising in the foreseeable future. Sunspot Louie hasn't seen a thing in almost two months. The Palos Verdes Sundancers have given up!" We rather doubted this pessimistic prognostication was correct, but we nodded for him to continue. "You know, I've been using my trapped triband beam for a long time," he began, "and I am going to replace it with a monobander. I found a 4-element beam on the swap shop. The fellow wanted a lot for it, but it only had been in the air for 2 years. So I drove over to his QTH and snapped it up this morning before anyone else had a chance. It's all ready to go on my tower next weekend. I already have my tribander for sale. Some sucker will buy it!"

We were about to ask for more details, but before we could he continued as soon as he'd caught a breath. "I was reading the Internet, and digging through some old magazines, and I saw my trapped beam only has 5 dB gain on 20 metres, and this monobander has 8.2 dB. That's a heck of a lot of difference! Over 3 dB. That would make my signal jump out in the pileups, and it makes sense to be king of 20. I bet I'll get a dozen new ones over the winter with it. Who cares about 15 and 10? They are never open anymore! I even asked Red Eyed Louie when he'd heard any DX on 28 MHz, and he says he can't remember."

We thought about this for a bit, for this was not the first time DXers have discussed antennas and gain. "Seems like a lot of difference", we said slowly, "3 dB is hard to get. Are you sure you are not comparing dBi and dBd?" The QRPer looked at us with a glare and snapped, "What's the difference? dBs are dBs. The fellow told me it was a killer beam. Why wouldn't a 4 element monobander on a 26 foot boom have 8.2 dB gain?"

We tried logic. "All dBs are not equal. dBb is the gain referenced to a dipole and dBi is the gain referenced to an isotropic radiator. There is a difference of about 2.14. You can bet the monobander specs are expressed in dBi and your tribander is dBd. If

you correct the monobander to use the same units, then the gain is 6.1. So you really are just getting about 1 dB. That's only a 6th of an S-unit. You'll never notice the difference. Your tribander might have traps, but it has 7 elements on a 24 foot boom. No doubt 4 of them are active on 20, and the only difference is about 1 dBb of trap loss."

The QRPer was looking confused, and then said with a defiant look, "Stop taking away gain from my new antenna before I even get it up! It has to be better than that. The fellow who sold it to me said he got DX with the first call every time. He said to ignore gain figures and all those comparison charts. He says the real proof is with the on-air performance. Says you know you are going to bust the pileup as soon as you hear it. Why would he say that if it wasn't true?" He pointed his finger at us to emphasize the point. "And I think he's on the DXCC Honor Roll, too!"

We looked at the QRPer for a moment, and decided not to tell him there is no Santa. "Well, if he told you it is a one-call antenna, then probably you made a good move. He wouldn't tell you that if it wasn't so. When you get it in the air, let us know how it works. Make sure you have it ready for the fall so you can get the fellows on Midway the first day. Just be a Believer and it will bring you more DX than you ever got with your old antenna! Just with one call, too. You will think the Great Days of DXing have returned!"

He smiled broadly and walked down the hill, satisfied that he had a solid edge over all of the locals. An hour or two later one of the older and more crafty QRPers came by. "I sold my 20 metre beam today. Got a good price for it too. The guy who bought it thought I worked Honor Roll with it. Most of my DXCC credits came on 15 and 10 with my vertical during the last two cycle peaks. I think I have 201 on 20. Now I can order the kit for that 4-square I've wanted for 80 so I can add to my DXCC Challenge totals. I think I have 20 worked dry. I saw a cheap tribander listed on the swap shop this afternoon. That will work just as well, and give me 15 and 10 as a bonus for when the sunspots return. I phoned the fellow. and he said he'd have it down by the weekend." He looked at us smugly, expecting a reply.

We simply nodded and looked out over the bay. Sometimes it is best to say nothing. Especially when the flux is stuck and circular deals are being made to ensure one's perch on the DXCC is maintained. More properly put, if it isn't broke, let them fix it anyhow! We recalled the advice of the Old Timer who told us years ago that it is best not to disturb a balanced feedback loop. DX IS!

10744. Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 13:21:44 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10744 Message: 10744

I realise there has to be someone who uses IRCs other than DXers looking for QSL cards, but I can't think of anyone. Is there another group who would regularly be sending return postage to distant lands? Parents of kids in university abroad?

73, Paul Ve1DX

10745. RE: [DX-IS] Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 13:39:18 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10744 Message: 10745

While I cannot be specific with examples, Paul, I do recall people using them as "cash" of some sort, especially from African countries. If, however, IRCs are only supposed to be cashed only for stamps to the country from which the IRC was sent, I don't know how they can be converted in to cash. But I'm simply reporting what I remember being told.

I'll be interested in knowing what you find out from others.

BTW, still no joy with 4W6AL.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2009 10:22 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Who else uses IRCs?

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10746. RE: [DX-IS] Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 14:45:05 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10744 Message: 10746

Usually when I go to the post office, half of the clerks there have no idea what an IRC is, how to stamp it correctly, etc. The last time I got some I overheard one of the clerks whom I know (it ended up we went to the same college 800 miles away but not at the same time) tell the one who waited on me "I have probably sold a half dozen on those in the past 5 years and mostly to him." I guess I am the only one in Lawton, OK who needs them.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 9/11/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Who else uses IRCs?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, September 11, 2009, 8:39 AM

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10747. Re: [DX-IS] Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 15:35:03 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10744 Message: 10747

At 06:21 AM 9/11/2009, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> I realise there has to be someone who uses IRCs other than DXers
>looking for QSL cards, but I can't think of anyone.

Fans of international celebrities seeking photographs and other
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Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10748. the continuing 4W6AL saga

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 15:57:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10748 Message: 10748

Today I was on 20M looking for 4W6AL at 1200 -- when I would have conditions. There he was, on 17M. At 1500 he shows up on 20M and was being worked by Europeans and I saw one west coast spot from a K6. Not a peep. However, at 1530 I was able to hear 9V1YC. What gives :-) ?????

Maybe tomorrow???????????????

73

Al, VE1AL

10749. Re: [DX-IS] Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 16:05:12 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10744 Message: 10749

At 12:35 PM 9/11/2009, you wrote:
>At 06:21 AM 9/11/2009, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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>Dick
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>Dick Flanagan K7VC
>dick@...

Ahhh . . . never thought of that. I knew there had to be
another group besides DXers.

73, Paul VE1DX

10750. Re: [DX-IS] the continuing 4W6AL saga

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 16:52:07 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10748 Message: 10750
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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73 de Brian/K3KO

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10751. RE: [DX-IS] the continuing 4W6AL saga

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 17:16:27 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10748 Message: 10751

I'm THE eternal optimist, Brian.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Brian Alsop
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2009 1:52 PM
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10752. [425ENG] 425 DX News #958

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 17:36:55 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10752 Message: 10752

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3W - Sergey (RA3NAN), Oleg (RK3FA), Eugene (RZ3EC), Andy (RZ3EM) and Andrey/UA6BGB will be active from three Vietnamese IOTA groups between 24 September and 1 October as follows:
24-26 September XV6RRC Ngu Island AS-185
27-28 September XV7RRC Cham Island AS-162
29 September-1 October XV3RRC Tam Island AS-157
This is a tentative schedule, as actual dates will depend on local They plan to operate on 160-10 metres with two stations equipped with amplifiers and several antennas. QSL via RZ3EC, direct (Eugene Shelkanovtcev, P.O. Box 70, Orel, 302028, Russia) or bureau (bureau cards can be requested on-line). The logs will be uploaded to loTW. Bookmark http://xv6rrc.com for further information and updates. [TNX RZ3EM]
5R - Daniel, DF8UO will be active again 5R8UO from Madagascar (AF-013) on 12-20 September. He will operate mainly CW and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to LoTW. [TNX DXNL]
9A - Look for Oliver, 9A/DG7XO and Wolfgang, 9A/DL7CB to be active from Ugljan Island (EU-170) on 13-19 September. QSL via home calls (bureau preferred). [TNX DX Newsletter]
CT9 - Matthias, DJ8OG will be active as CT9/DJ8OG (QSL via home call) from Madeira (AF-014) until 15 September. He will operate on 80-10 metres and will participate in the WAE DX SSB Contest as CR3L (QSL via DJ6QT). [TNX DXNL]
F - F0FZK, F4AHE, F4ASQ, F4CRE, F4EOQ, F8CNX and possibily F4EQH will operate as TM85NI from Noirmoutier Island (EU-064) on 12-13 September. QSL via either F4ASQ or F8CNX. [TNX www.onlineradio.fr]
FT5G - The FT5GA team (F4EGS, F5IRO, F5LPY, F5PRU and F8CRS) is expected to depart Paris in the local early evening on 11 September, destination St. Denis, Reunion Island. The military flight to Glorioso (via Mayotte) is scheduled on 14 September. The team will remain on Grande Glorieuse for about three weeks. QSL via F5OGL, direct or bureau. Bookmark http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/ for

further information and updates. [TNX G7VJR]
JD1_og - Look for JD1BLP (QSL via JO2JDJ) and JD1BLY (QSL via JI5RPT) to be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara on 19-22 September. They plan to operate on 40-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. [TNX NG3K]
OE - The Vienna International Centre Amateur Radio Club (4U1VIC) will participate in the WAE DX SSB Contest as 4U30VIC. Although it is Austria for DXCC, it counts as separate multiplier for WAEDC. QSL via 4U1VIC. [TNX NG3K]
OH0 - OH6EI will participate in both the Scandinavia Activity Contests (CW on 19-20 September and SSB on 26-27 September) as OH0Z from the Aland Islands (EU-002). QSL via W0MM. Detailed information on SAC can be found at http://qrq.se/sac/ [TNX NG3K]
OZ - Jakob, OZ7AEI will be active on 20 and 40 metres as OZ7AEI/p from the lighthouse of Roedvig E Mole on Sjaelland Island (EU-029) on 12 September. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX OZ7AEI]
OZ - Bernd, DL8AAV will be active as OZ/DL8AAV/p from Laeso Island (EU-088) on 14-26 September. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
OZ - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as OZ/DL2JRM/p from Romo Island (EU-125) on 18-20 September. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PA - Special event station PA09MONUMENT will be active on the HF bands and 2 metres from Noordwijk Lighthouse on 12 September, for the Open Monumentendag (the European Heritage Days in the Netherlands). QSL via bureau to PA7DA. [TNX PA7DA]
SV - Fred, PA1FJ will be active as SV8/PA1FJ/p from Samos Island (EU-049) from 14 September to 2 October. He will operate SSB QRP on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (www.tcswat.org) will be active as TC3BLH from Balyos Lighthouse (Sea of Marmara) on 19-23 September. They plan to operate mainly on 20 and 40 metres SSB. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX TA1HZ]
TK - Volta DX Team and Project DX Team members Ern/I2FUG, Oscar/IK2AQZ and John/IK2JYT will be active as TK/homecall from Corsica (EU-014) on 19-24 September. They will operate on all bands SSB, CW and digital modes, with two stations using small amplifiers, verticals and loop antennas. Side trips to the islands of San Cipriano (EU-164), Forana (EU-100) and Grande Sanguinaire (EU-104) are also being planned. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IK2JYT]
UA - Alex/RA1QY, Dmitry/RX1CQ and other operators will be active as UE1CDX/1 (QSL via via RN1CW, direct or bureau) and UE1RLH/1 (QSL via RA1QY, direct or bureau) from several lighthouses on Kotlin Island (EU-133) on 12-13 September. They will operate CW and SSB on 20, 30 and 40 metres. [TNX VA3RJ]
UR - UR5KHZ, UR5KO, US0KW and UX2KA will operate CW and SSB as US0KFF/p from the Rivnenskiy Nature Reserve until 16 September. QSL via US0KW. [TNX US0KW]

Z2 - Kazuo's, Z29KM next work assignment will be in Indonesia and he will be leaving Zimbabwe in mid October. He will remove his 5-band yagi in a couple of weeks, and although he will continue to be QRV as long as possible, his signals on the higher bands will be weaker. He reports having "too much QRN" on the low bands. Look for him on RTTY (18105 kHz) around 11 UTC, on SSTV (18130 and 14227 kHz) around 16 UTC and on CW (10120 kHz) after 18 UTC. QSL via EA7FTR. [TNX Z29KM]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Bill, N7OU will be active as ZL7/N7OU from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) on 18-30 September, and as E51NOU from Rarotonga (OC-013, South Cooks) on 5-30 October. He will operate CW only on 80-10 metres, running 100 watts to a vertical, from both locations. QSLs via N7OU. [TNX NG3K]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (Augsut 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

CO8DM ---> Doug, CO8DM says he now has a LoTW account and is working on his old paper logs in order to upload all of his QSOs. Should you not being able to find a QSL record, please drop him a line (co8dmster@...) to fix the problem.

QSL EX8AB & EX9FF ---> Bek, EX8AB (EX9FF) says that RX3RC is no longer his QSL manager. Cards should be sent to Narynbek Djunushev, P.O.Box 1855, Bishkek, 720000, Kyrgyzstan. [TNX EX8AB]

QSL HK0MZ/0M ---> Jairo Vargas, HK5MQZ was active from Malpelo Island in June 2001. Those who still need a card can go direct to Jairo's daughter, Jenny (415 Kensington Lake Circle, Brandon, FL 33511, USA), who "is helping clean things up". [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL R1FJT ---> The Daily DX reports that, after the passing of QSL manager UA4RC [425DXN 947], QSL cards should be sent to: R1FJT, P.O. Box 252, Almetyevsk, Republic of Tatarstan, 432452 Russia ("this PO Box is still registered to UA4RC, even though he is a Silent Key", but "it is believed that the callsign should work as proper identification").

+ SILENT KEYS + Vernon R. Robinson (P29VR and W7GSP) passed away on 11 August. Vern was active from Papua New Guinea for 16 years, and his QSL manager (W7LFA) says he has all the logs for his entire operation. Other recently reported Silent Keys include Dennis T. Connors (KD2S), Robert D. Joy (W0EAN) and Sam Brown (WA4IUM).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3W1M OM3JW GB1WT M0XIG SN70O SP8ZBX
3Z70RG SP9KAG GB4SH G4DFI SN70R SP2UUU
4X6HP EA7FTR GB65BTF GW4XKE SN70W SP2LNW
5B8AD W3HNK GB80RBP G0ACK SO1RE DK8RE
5Q5NA DK5NA HB9VELO HB9OCR SO70A SP9YGD
7Q7HB G0IAS HF14MTR SP7PAC SO70E SP4JAE
9H3DZ PA2AM HF1939WW SQ6CU SO70M SQ9JKD
9H3S PA3HGP HF70A SP5PSL SO70N SP2YWL
9H3X PE1NGF HF70DWS SP2PMW SO70NMW SP3ZIR
9H3YM PE1OFJ HF70E SP5X SO70O SP9KAJ
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AM8RHG EA8CNB IY2M IW2NOH SZ3P/p SV3DCX
BA1RB EA7FTR J47OCF SV7FSK T30GM PG5M
C4M W3HNK JI1FGX/DU9 JF1LZQ TC2X TA1HZ
CE1TT EA5KB JU85TTC JT1DN TJ3SL F5PSA
CR3L DJ6QT JW1SYL LA8FOA TM150RPC F5KAZ
CT7/LZ3ND LZ1NK JW8FNA LA8FNA TM1MAD F5KLJ
D2QMN RZ3EC LA/LX9EG/p LX1NO TM8POR F0DTB
DU1MGA RX3RC LA1SYL LA8FOA TM9CDX F5CWU
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E73DX DJ2MX LZ44WFF LZ1KZA UE1OAC UA1OIW
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EG1SFF EA1EAU LZ8WHST LZ1PJ UE4FDA RA4FJV
EG2SDC EA1AUM OH0JWL DL5FF UK8WFF RL3FU
EG3SBD EA3ALZ OJ0B OH2BH UN3F EA5KB
EG3SDC EA1AUM OL16B OK5MM UP3WFF/m RL3FU
EG4SDC EA1AUM OL16BND OK2BEW UP44BFF/7 UN7ECA
EG5SDC EA1AUM ON4DAMIAN ON7LR V8AQM W3HNK
EG5WSP EA5RKB ON4WAR ON7RY VO2/NF6J DL7RV
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EG7SDC EA1AUM P41USA W3TEF VY0O VE3LYC

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EI9JF LZ3HI PF16SDT PD1KSA YI9TM WT4M
EM0WFF UT7WZ PH75AJU PA3CAL YP9VIN YO9FNR
ER3WFF ER3GS PJ2P DL8OBQ YV5KAJ/7 EA5KB
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ER4KAA RA4LW SN0PL SP5KP ZG2FK ZB2FK
ER5GB W3HNK SN70A SP2KMH ZG2FX G3RFX
FO/G3BJ G3BJ SN70E SP1MWF ZG2JK/P ZB2JK
FS/W6IZT N7XG SN70M SP9KN ZS2DL NI5DX

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10753. Re: [DX-IS] Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 17:53:31 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 10744 Message: 10753

Actually, my local IRC expert, Bob at our Platteville PO (state university town of about 11,000 total), says I'm the only one turning them in there. Mostly they sell new ones to foreign students who send them home for parents and friends to use.

When Bob isn't at the counter, I have the exchange steps written down for the other clerks (AKA retail associates) to use. I had a scare recently when someone said Bob had retired. The next time he told me that was another Bob and he'll be there for awhile.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in SW Wisconsin USA

--- On Fri, 9/11/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

Is there another group who would regularly be sending return postage to
distant lands? Parents of kids in university abroad?

10754. [425ENG] 425 DX News #958 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 18:09:39 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10754 Message: 10754

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10755. ARLP037 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 20:00:41 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6170 Message: 10755

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 37 ARLP037
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 11, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP037
ARLP037 Propagation de K7RA

No new sunspot activity this week, and no emerging sunspots are visible on the far side of the Sun. Sunspot region 1025 (or 11025) which appeared over August 31 and September 1 faded over a week ago, and the area in which it appeared has just rotated over the Sun's western limb.

Average daily solar flux for this week was up slightly, just 0.7 points, to 68.8. Geomagnetic A indices were quieter, with last week's average daily planetary and mid-latitude A index at 5.7 and 4.1 respectively, while both numbers dropped to 2.9 for this week.

Very quiet and stable geomagnetic conditions were observed by the magnetometer used to generate the College A Index at Fairbanks, Alaska on September 9-10. From the last reading on September 8 through the end of the UTC day on September 10, the K index was zero at every 3-hour reading. It may have continued at that zero-level, but as of early Friday we have only the data for Thursday. You can see it at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt. For a longer range view, check http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/quar_DGD.txt.

When the term "UTC day" is used in this bulletin, it refers to the date which ended after 2359z, or UTC. When it is 2359 UTC (the same as Greenwich Mean Time, or GMT), Alaska Daylight Savings Time is 1559. 1600 local Alaska time is in the following UTC day, because it is after midnight in Greenwich.

The planetary A index is projected to be 5 for today through September 14, then 8 for September 15-18. Solar flux is expected to be 69 for today and tomorrow, then 68 for September 13-19.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions for September 11-12, quiet to unsettled on September 13, 15 and 17, and unsettled on September 14 and 16. But Petr Kolman, OK1MGW of the Czech

Propagation Interest Group thinks that September 14 will be quiet, but September 16 and 26 will be unsettled to active.

The Autumnal Equinox in the Northern Hemisphere is only 11 days away. This signals generally improved HF propagation, even with no solar activity.

As mentioned in past bulletins, even with the quiet Sun, worldwide propagation is still possible, but at lower frequencies. Fifteen and ten meter openings are rare, but 40, 30, 20 and even 17 meters have the better prospects.

John Parnell, K7HV of Seattle, Washington sent a link to a video he made while operating with just four watts on a Pacific Coast backpacking trip last week on Washington State's Olympic Peninsula. He used a simple radio he built from a kit, and a very basic wire antenna. John noted that HF conditions on a trip to the same place in 2007 were better. Checking the data in this bulletin from 2007, August 23-29 had an average daily sunspot number of 12.9, August 30 through September 5 was 16.1, and then for several weeks there were no sunspots.

Watch the video at http://tinyurl.com/lzz9f6 and see photos at http://tinyurl.com/l2onwh. Note that in the video you can hear a snippet of last week's ARRL DX Bulletin transmitted in CW from W1AW. How do we know this, with just a few seconds of copy? By comparing the few received characters to last week's bulletins on the ARRL web site.

Ronnie Borkgren, NN0L of Anamosa, Iowa writes to say he would like to see more detail in some of the reports of DX worked. He wants to know what power and antennas were used. We don't mention brand names very often, but will give details such as "3-element quad" or "popular 4 element tri-band beam," whether the antenna is homemade or commercially produced.

Mark Lunday, WD4ELG of Hillsborough, North Carolina gave us enough detail. He reported working VK4DHF long path on 20 meter CW on September 8 at 2130z. Mark was running just 5 watts and using a low-slung dipole.

Mark Bell, K3MSB of Airville, Pennsylvania reports he is seeing better propagation to Southeast Asia in the past week. He didn't give his power, antenna or mode, but says "After months upon months of really awful propagation on 20 meters into the southeast Asia region, things looked up during the past week."

"I worked 9V1YC (Singapore) on Sept 03 at 0012z, and heard stations from BY (China) and JT (Mongolia) on at the same time. Last night Sept 9, I again heard 9V1YC on around the same time, and also worked 9M2MRS (Malaysia) at 0023z. JT stations were also heard on the ninth."

"I heard Richard 9M2MRS another night around 0030z but he was too weak to work."

"Looking back, there seems to (finally) be some nice openings from the East Coast into the Southeast Asia region around 0030Z the past few days. Most of the time the signals were not strong, but the QRN was almost non-existent and they were "weak but workable" as the saying goes."

Frank Hertel, a consulting broadcast engineer sent an email with his observations of sporadic-e skip in the summer. For some reason he hasn't observed any this year, but of course he isn't trying to receive weak signals on VHF. His clients become concerned when a distant signal interferes with their local broadcast.

Frank wrote, "Since part of what I do is to operate a Frequency Measuring Service for broadcasters, I have a 100 foot tower with some pretty fair antennas. I also have antennas at about 20 feet which I use for phase canceling of unwanted signals when required. I have the assortment of horizontal, vertical and H+V when combined and phased and level balanced."

"When the interference does happen, the horizontal antennas are most affected. Often the 100 foot FM band antenna doesn't experience as much interference reception as my 20 foot high FM band antenna. The 100 foot antenna never delivers as much signal strength (being commercial broadband VHF, 40-300 MHz), as does my 20 foot 12 element FM band antenna, but when the interference does hit, the 100 foot antenna does a better job (receiving more of a direct signal path from local signals vs. the interfering signal from above). On non-interfering days, the 20 foot antenna actually out-performs the 100 foot FM antenna, since the 100 foot FM antenna, on a normal day, gets many unwanted signals (150 miles and beyond) that interfere with the signals I want to measure (100+ miles, and locals)."

"Once in the UHF TV band range, the problem doesn't often happen, but when it has happened it always seemed to be on very cold and dry winter nights, when the weather conditions are over a very wide spread area. As I can best recall, many years ago my home UHF TV antenna (15 feet) received Denver Colorado. I live in Evansville Indiana, about 1,000 miles from Denver."

"I remember in the 1970's that Havana Cuba had a TV Channel 2. Every August and September I would disconnect my outside VHF antenna (to keep from receiving Terre Haute, IN, CH 2) and hook up a pair of rabbit ears. Havana Cuba was quite watchable. I always knew when Havana was watchable because the reception of CH 2, in Terre Haute, IN would become quite scrambled. I would see 10 KHZ visual beat, due to the freq offset of the two carriers."

Very interesting info from a non-ham. We sent him a link to an APRS network (http://www.mountainlake.k12.mn.us/ham/aprs/) that automatically reports VHF propagation, and another

(http://www.dxinfocentre.com/tropo.html) that predicts propagation via the troposphere.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for September 3 through 9 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 68.6, 68.4, 68.5, 69.2, 68.8, 68.9, and 69.2 with a mean of 68.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 5, 2, 3, 3, 2 and 1 with a mean of 2.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 4, 2, 2, 3, 2 and 3 with a mean of 2.9.
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10756. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-11 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10756

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 11 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 254 Issued at 2200Z on 11 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
to 11/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on day one (12 September). Quiet levels, with
unsettled periods possible at high latitudes, are expected on day
two (13 September). Quiet to unsettled levels, with a chance for
isolated active periods at high latitudes, are expected on day three
(14 September) as a coronal hole high-speed stream is expected to
become geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 12 Sep-14 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 11 Sep 069
Predicted 12 Sep-14 Sep 069/069/068
90 Day Mean 11 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 10 Sep 002/002
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Predicted Afr/Ap 12 Sep-14 Sep 005/005-005/008-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 12 Sep-14 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10757. FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-12 01:56:03 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10757 Message: 10757

Any one heard latest ???????

Dale K8TS

10758. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-12 02:02:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10757 Message: 10758

At 10:56 PM 9/11/2009, you wrote:

>Any one heard latest ???????
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>Dale K8TS

From "The GOLIST" reflector:

Hi friends

From Didier, F5OGL, FT5GA team leader :

FT5GA last news.
To Day sept 11th at 18h45 (Paris time ☐ 1645
uutc), the plane to La RÃ©union had took off from
Charles de Gaulle Paris7Roissy Airport.

The complete Gloriosos 2009 crew is onboard. ☐☐
F5IRO, F5PRU, F5LPY, F4EGS, F8CRS, and Lieutnant
Florence Gabulon ☐, they are on the way to FT/G.
They will land to morrow in the morning, at Saint Denis airport.
Some pics , usable free of charge, are available
at :
http://picasaweb.google.fr/MauriceF5NQL/DepartGlorieuses2009#
(If you use them you have only to say that they come from Serge, F6AML)
Some last details to check with the TAAF
authorities, and they will take off to Mayotte
then the Gloriosos on Monday 14th.
The TAAF Prefect, the higher authority for the
"Iles Eparses", on the zone, and the Prefect of
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Glorieuses 2009 leader

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Internet communications by mail.

10759. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-12 02:04:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10757 Message: 10759

Paul,

I was figuring that you had worked them on 3 or 4 bands already HI HI.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 9/11/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, September 11, 2009, 9:02 PM

At 10:56 PM 9/11/2009, you wrote:

>Any one heard latest ???????
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>Dale K8TS

From "The GOLIST" reflector:

Hi friends

From Didier, F5OGL, FT5GA team leader :

FT5GA last news.
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10760. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-12 08:49:18 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10757 Message: 10760

Thanks Paul--

I had yet to hear that message.

Hit the sack early last nite--Faintly heard a BY in the noise. Still need, maybeone in WAE contest early this am. 4:45 EST right now.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2009 10:02:14 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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10761. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-12 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10761

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 12 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 255 Issued at 2200Z on 12 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 11/2100Z
to 12/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 11/2100Z to 12/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet, with isolated unsettled periods
for the next three days (13-15 September) as a coronal hole is
expected to become geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 13 Sep-15 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 12 Sep 069
Predicted 13 Sep-15 Sep 069/068/068
90 Day Mean 12 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 11 Sep 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 12 Sep 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 13 Sep-15 Sep 005/007-007/007-007/010
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 Sep-15 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10762. IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-12 18:13:04 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10653 Message: 10762

Got this from the guy I buy stamps for sases to dx stations

Dale K8TS

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: "WILLIAM PLUM" <plumdx@...>
To: "Dale Cole K8TS" <k9ttt@...>
Sent: Saturday, September 12, 2009 10:19:42 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: personal question

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Dale,

One possibility comes to mind, but many of these might have moved from writing letters to going via email. Guys looking for "mail order" brides. 10-20 yrs ago, I used to supply stamps to a few guys seeking a wife, mostly the request was for Philippine stamps! I'm sure others used IRCs as return postage! My last request for this was about 6 yrs ago. Guy was writing to Russia and Ukraine...

There used to be a dating/pen pal magazine called "Cherry Blossom". They used to run an ad for me! I knew I had a customer of theirs when the guy ordered 20 or 30 Philippine stamps! One guy wrote to me and said he wouldn't be buying any more stamps as he was getting married the next month!!

Another recent area using IRCs would be folks tracing their genealogy overseas, but I think the computer and emailing may have changed that too.

good luck,
bill

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: Plum DX
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2009 9:00 PM
Subject: personal question

Bill;

This questioin came up on one of the yahoogroups boards that I subscribe to;

"I realise there has to be someone who uses IRCs other than DXers
looking for QSL cards, but I can't think of anyone. Is there another
group who would regularly be sending return postage to distant
lands? Parents of kids in university abroad?"

Any clues? Figure a man in your business might know.

Dale H. Cole K8TS

Jackson, MI

10763. Re: Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 12:04:37 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10744 Message: 10763

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Since then, I've either purchased some from QSL managers or used the ones I receive from others. We receive a few requests a month for our trip to VP5 and I still receive and occasionaly request for C31JR more than three years ago. Many of those arrive with IRCs instead of cash.

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Art - N4PJ

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10764. Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 12:29:37 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10764 Message: 10764

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10765. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Who else uses IRCs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 14:51:14 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10744 Message: 10765

I am hoping that stations or managers receiving IRCs cash them in right away. Price of a US airmail stamp is $.98.

I am amused by the managers who are saying they wont take them cause it takes more than one to return the sase

Also if the managers are not going to get the cards out right-away I am hoping they will cash them in and annote the sase that the postage is on hand as a result of cashing IRC in..
I was not amused by one manager saying that it would take more than 2-3 dollars to get a card for a certain dx-pedition. Why not just ask me to chip in for the card and with his cost and I would be satisfiedl but telling a tall story about needing at least $3 bucks inlieu of an IRC is a bit overwhelming

Just my thoughts.

Michael W. Elliott
"THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE"   -
RETIREMENT - LEISURE, REST and ONLY ELECTRONIC MAIL PAYMENTS
Servant to Bridgett, Collin and all my Creditors
St. Louis County Missouri

--- On Sun, 9/13/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@comcast.net> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Who else uses IRCs?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, September 13, 2009, 7:04 AM

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10766. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 15:05:09 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10764 Message: 10766

Paul,

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73 ES DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 7:29 AM
To: DX IS!
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10767. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 18:28:28 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10764 Message: 10767

Paul- I quote;

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told me a week ago we are seeing great condx because the X-rays from
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Did you copy this out of an April CQ Magizine article? :)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 8:29:37 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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10768. [Fwd: Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 18:45:26 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 10768 Message: 10768

Well gang, I sent this over 2 hours ago and it hasn't made it there
yet.. ONE more time.

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band-entity, AND it is on LOTW, I work it. Otherwise I just hide & watch.

This summer I have finished building a new receive array for 160 meters,
and built a deck for a place to put a Hot Tub, and my BBQ cookers. I'm
just quietly waiting & watching for the end of September, and for 160 to
spring to life. But give up, or quit: NEVER!

73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

10769. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 16:06:22 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10764 Message: 10769

Hope, springs eternal right ?

----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
To: DX IS!
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 10:05 AM
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10770. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 16:14:38 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 10764 Message: 10770

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10771. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 20:01:10 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10764 Message: 10771

At 03:28 PM 9/13/2009, you wrote:

>Paul- I quote;
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>"One of the more knowledgeable DXers
>told me a week ago we are seeing great condx because the X-rays from
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>Dale K8TS

Nope . . . don't get CQ magazine. W9RGB and I were discussing conditions on 30M and he mentioned it to me. Don't know where he saw it. Perhaps CQ??

Either way, it seems to be true.

73, Paul VE1DX

10772. Re: [Fwd: Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 20:04:39 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10768 Message: 10772

At 03:45 PM 9/13/2009, you wrote:
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>yet.. ONE more time.

They are "sticking" in Yahoo's queue waiting for
approval. Every now and then Yahoo flags innocent messages as SPAM
and Don, N1DG, or I have to approve them. I got 4 today, and all
were as clean as they come, in terms of the source, the title and
message content. I think Yahoo's band pass filters are a tad off!

73, Paul VE1DX

10773. RE: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 21:42:30 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10764 Message: 10773

While I may be somewhat discouraged, I certainly have not yet given up hope. Today, for instance, I was back looking for 4W6AL on 14027 without hearing a peep from him, despite several spots that he was there. And then, to add insult to injury, I saw him spotted on SSB in WAE and he wouldn't have worked me, even if I could have heard him.

Later today, as I tuned the bands listening to scant few CW signals drifting in and out of the QSB, I saw a spot congratulating VY2ZM on 2650 QSOs in WAE by mid-afternoon, and heard VE1OP trying to make a few QSOs.

Of course I know that Jeff has an incredible antenna system on PEI. But Scott lives less than a mile from me (as the crow flies) and has the same beam as me. I expect him to hear better but not that much better, because he has a clear shot to the horizon in all directions. A station in NH who worked a Russian just after I did (I could hear him faintly off the back of the beam) said he agreed with me that conditions were poor.

So what gives????????

But I'm still hunting for DX. I must be somewhat of a masochist.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 9:30 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Has anyone noticed that a lot of the "standard" contest stations are not as active anymore, and that generally activity is down? Why I am asking is that it was mentioned to me on 30M yesterday that it was "A SHAME THAT MNI HVE GIVEN UP HPE."

We were assaulted by the CW war, the takeover by the Internet and cell phones and other wireless gadgets in the past 10-15 years. We are now faced with a prolonged trough in the solar cycle. Perception is everything, but I *think* there is less activity in the WAE contest than I've heard in previous years.

Personally I am finding propagation great on 20 and lower, even better than when the flux was high in many cases. 17/15/12/10 are pretty much dead as one would expect, but there seem to be some great openings on the lower bands. One of the more knowledgeable DXers told me a week ago we are

seeing great condx because the X-rays from the coronal holes are causing ionization without attenuation because the GMF remains unusually quiet. A silver lining we have never had the chance to see before, so to speak.

And we have Midway and Glorioso imminent. Bottom line, does anyone know if some of the old stalwarts are packing it in because the solar cycle seems stalled? That would be too bad, as there still is a lot of fun to be had. On the other hand, less calling means the pileups are easier to bust!

73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo! Groups Links

10774. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10774

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 13 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 256 Issued at 2200Z on 13 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet. A single unsettled
period was observed at high latitudes between 13/1500-1800Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet, with isolated unsettled periods on day one (14
September). Quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active periods
at high latitudes, are expected on days two and three (15-16
September) due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 14 Sep-16 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Sep 069
Predicted 14 Sep-16 Sep 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 13 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Sep 001/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 13 Sep 005/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 14 Sep-16 Sep 007/007-007/010-008/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 Sep-16 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/15
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10775. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #925

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-13 22:16:25 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10775 Message: 10775

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-September, through Sunday, 13th-September there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7O, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP,, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H3, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. Alex, GM0DHZ/AA8YH, informs OPDX that he is returning here November 16th for 5 weeks. He plans to be active on CW on the weekends from 3V8SS. He also adds that he is willing to accept skeds from "QRP" operators/stations, either CW or SSB. They can contact him via his E-mail address listed on QRZ.com. However, Alex has reminded us that it's a holiday trip by his XYL.

4W6AL UPDATE. The Algarve STAR DX Team reports that a new video of 4W6AL recorded on September 11th, in the south of Portugal, is available, as well as the 4W6AL log is updated online at: http://algarvedx.com
PLEASE NOTE: QSL Manager/Pilot Station Toze, CT1GFK, reports that some 100 stations worked a PIRATED 4W6AL station on September 12th! Only four stations worked the actual 4W6AL station. Check the log before QSLing.

5B, CYPRUS. Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active as 5B/HA5PP during both the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (TBD) entry. QSL via HA5PP.

5R, MADAGASCAR (AF-013). Daniel, DF8UO, will once again be active as 5R8UO from here between now and September 20th. Activity will be mainly CW and the Digital modes on 40-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He is expected to upload his log to LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES (Update). Andrew, G7COD, will once again be active as 8Q7AK from Embudu Village, Embudu Island (AS-013, WLOTA L-3911), between October 12-25th. Activity will be on 80-12 meters including 30/17/12m using CW and SSB. Operating schedule (everyday) is as follows: 0730-0830z, 0900-1030z, 1300-1500z and 1730-1800z. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3503, 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003 and 24893 kHz
SSB - 3795, 7063, 14147, 18133, 21253 and 24953 kHz
Andrew's operating conditions will be very simple consisting of 100 watts PEP from an Icom IC 7000 transceiver, MFJ 929 Auto ATU, switch mode power supply and Vibroplex mini straight morse key. The antenna is a Radio Works CWS 160 Carolina Windom sloping from 20-12 meters suspended from the tops of the coconut palms approximately 10 meters from the sea. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. Andrew now has a dedicated Web page at: http://8q7ak.freewebspace.com

8Y, GUYANA. Members of the "Amateur Brazilian Team" will be active as 8R1PY from Lethem, Guyana, between October 31st and November 4th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Operators mentioned are Edi/PU8TEP, Abilio/PV8AZ, Paulo/PV8DX, Ivan/PV8IG, Ivan/PY1YB, Anderson/PY2TNT and Alex/PY2WAS. QSL via PY2WAS.

A3, TONGA (News). Paul Kidd, A35RK, provides the following special announcements by the Tonga Ministry of Communications and Information dated September 8th):

#1] "Today, the Radio Licensing Officer for the Kingdom of Tonga, Fe'ao Vakata, has authorized amateur radio operation on the 60 Meter Band (5.330 - 5.405 Mhz), on a secondary, restricted basis.

The 60M bandplan will be the same as is authorized by the FCC, i.e. 'channelized' on the following frequencies only, USB only, 2.8 kHz maximum bandwidth, with a 50 watt pep ERP limit:

Channel Center Amateur Tuning Frequency
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5332 kHz 5330.5 kHz

5348 kHz 5346.5 kHz
5368 kHz 5366.5 kHz
5373 kHz 5371.5 kHz
5405 kHz (common US/UK) 5403.5 kHz
This 60M authorization is effective immediately."

#2] "Effective immediately, the 40 meter band allocation has been expanded. A3 licensees are now permitted to operate from 7.0 to 7.2 MHz."

Paul states, "The previous upper band edge was 7.1 MHz, so our 40M band just doubled in size! This additional allocation will allow us to work U.S. stations without having to work 'split'.

The 7.2 -7.3 MHz segment may be opened later, on a secondary use basis. The IARU Region 3 Bandplan permits this, but for the time-being, we will gladly content ourselves with the additional 100 kHz.

Many thanks to Fe'ao Vakata, the Radio Licensing Officer, for his efforts in revising and updating the amateur radio regulations here in Tonga."

ACTIVATING A RARE IOTA (Interesting Story). Cezar, VE3LYC, last week(end) activated the Ottawa Islands (NA-230) as VY0O which turned out to be a big adventure for him (bad weather, polar bear, boat problems (engine, back engine and sinking). However, he made a total of 3000 QSOs with stations on all continents. About 53% of the contacts were on CW, 47% on SSB. Read his interesting story at: http://www.qrz.com/db/vy0o

AFRICAN TOUR (6W, J5 and IOTAs). Laci, HA0NAR, will be heading to western Africa in early 2010, and plans to be there at the end of January through the end of February. He plans to visit and activate Senegal (6W) and Guinea-Bissau (J5). Tentative dates and callsigns are as follows:
Senegal (6W) - Callsign 6W/HA0NAR; January 27th through February 10th
Guinea-Bissau (J5) - Callsign J5NAR; February 11-21st
Laci is also planning to activate the following IOTA groups:
AF-078 - Senegal South Group
AF-093 - Guinea-Bissau Coastal Region Group
Look for more details to be forthcoming.

ANTARCTICA (IOTA) ACTIVITY. Mehdi, F5PFP, who did an Antarctica cruise/ expedition in the beginning of the year, reported that his good friend Pupi, LU8XP, advised him that a group of hams with Pedro, HK3JJH, are preparing an expedition to the Chilean sub-antarctic territories of the Wollaston Islands (SA-031) and Diego Ramirez Islands (SA-094) in 2010 or perhaps 2011. Pupi might be in charge of the logistic support at Ushuaia like he already made for several other expeditions. Stay tuned for updates.

BX5, TAIWAN. Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active during the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry.

Jimmy states that BX5 is a rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA. Visit his Web page at: http://blog.yam.com/bx5aa

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). By the time you read this, the FR5GA team is expected to depart from Reunion Island on September 14th, and after some final checks with the TAAF authorities, the team will head to Glorioso Island via Mayotte Island. First signals from FR5GA are expected to be Tuesday or Wednesday (September 14th or 15th). Pictures of the teams departure are available already on the Web at: http://picasaweb.google.fr/MauriceF5NQL/DepartGlorieuses2009#
The team is expected to be there for about three weeks. QSL via F5OGL, direct or by the Bureau. For more information, updates and suggested frequencies, visit their Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr
ADDED NOTE: In a press release, it was reported (edited): "Someone said that there is no pilot station for the west coast of Americas; that's not completely true. In fact some hams offerred to help us, but they cannot be QRV for the entire length of the DXpedition, so we have only one pilot for the Americas which is Floyd, N5FG."

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-049. Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV8/PA1FJ/p from Samos Island (GIOTA SAS-006, MIA MG-099, WLOTA L4163) between September 14th and October 2nd. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using SSB and running QRP (5 watts - Yaesu FT817 and Buddistick antenna). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-164. Before going to Romo Island (See OPDX.924), Rene, DL2JRM, will activate the Island of San Cipriano (DIFM TK-037, MIA MCO-013) as TK/DL2JRM/p between September 14-15th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters QRP CW, using solar power. QSL via DL2JRM, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-110. Operators Jeep/KA1DF, Dave/KI4ROL, Paul/K3LLH, David/N2EIO, Gary/AI4JA and Bill/W3HEA will be activating the special event callsign K4L from a lighthouse (ARLHS USA-392, TWLHD WLH K-082, WLOTA L 2265, WW Loc. EM92SJ) on Hunting Island (USI SC003S, Beaufort County, South Carolina) between October 17-18th.
The activity is to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the lighthouse. The light was the first light on Hunting Island, built in 1859 but destroyed during the Civil War. It was rebuilt in 1875 of curved iron panels (each weighing 1200 pounds) with an interior brick wall. In 1889 it was dis-assembled and moved 1/4 mile inland due to rapid erosion of the northern end of the island. It served as a navigation light until decommissioned in 1933. The park itself was created just prior to WWII; during the war, the Air Force had a trans-mitter site there. QSL via K3LLH. An online log will be available after the event. Further information can be found at: http://pws.prserv.net/K4L

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For September 14-20th)....
Sep 14 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Sep 15 AN ---------------
Sep 16 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 17 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 18 AN LN - Low Normal
Sep 19 AN
Sep 20 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

NEW D.L.I. AWARDS. Please check out the new "Italian Lakes Award" at:
http://www.dlit.info
---or--
http://www.forum.dli.altervista.org/viewforum.php?f=3D4

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Tomi, OH6EI, will be active as OH0Z during two different weekends this month for the SAC Contests. Look for him during the Scandinavian Activity CW Contest (September 19-20th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry, and the Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest (September 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

PACIFIC TOUR. Once again, Hrane/YT1AD and Miki/YU1DW will travel to the Pacific, and will be active from the following locations per this timetable:
KH8 - American Samoa; September 30th-October 1st; callsign KH8/N9YU
5W - Samoa; October 2-3rd; callsigns 5W7A (YT1AD) and 5W0DW (YU1DW)
3D2 - Fiji; October 4-6th; callsigns 3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW)
T30 - Western Kiribati; October 6-8th; callsigns T30M (YT1AD) and T30W (YU1DW)
The main purpose of this trip is to prepare all necessary documents for their next DXpeditions to Central Kiribati (T31), Tokelau Island (ZK3) and Wallis Island (FW8) in September and October of 2010. More details will be forthcoming at: http://www.yt1ad.info/t31

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
9M2MRS QSL ROUTE CHANGE. Rich, 9M2MRS, reports that envelopes are being opened from his Penang Island, Malaysia address, and green stamps are being taken. He advises to send QSL requests to his PA0RRS address in the Netherlands. He said he would like this info passed around to the U.S hams.

SWAZILAND DXPEDITION QSL STATUS. QSL Manager for Swaziland DXpedition in August 2009, David, GI4FUM/3DA0DJ, reports that 5,000 QSL cards have arrived from the printer (in the Ukraine), September 11th, so the cards are on their way back to anyone who QSLed direct. Cards from the UK and Ireland have been dealt with first. Unfortunately, the present postal strikes will not help, but the cards are on their way. There are two designs, so anyone who worked more than one member

of the team should get cards in both designs.

PIRATE ALERT. Phil, G3SWH, reports that the activity on 20 meters CW earlier this month by a station signing ZF2NT was a pirate operation. Bruce is still in California.

QSLS VIA LOTW: T6AD

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5H3VMB, 5K0T, 9J2VB, BD1HFP/2, CO8LY, FR7ZL/g, FW5ZL, GM01VI/p, J39BS, JT1CO, OH/JA5AQC, OH0E, OJ0J, R1ANR, SV2ASP/A, TK/I4GAD, TM5EL, V51AS, VK9GMW, VR10XMT, VR2XMT, VR2008O, VR2009EAG, XE2PEA, ZS1REC and ZX8A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4A3IH, DX1J, KH0N, T32XG and V63MP

SILENT KEY. QSL Manager Norman, W7LFA, informs OPDX that Vern Robinson, P29VR/W7GSP, became a "Silent Key" on August 17th. He returned to his home in Renton, Washington, a couple of month prior for treatment. He was active on all bands for over 16 years from PNG along with his surviving wife P29RI/K7IAF. Norman states that he has all the logs for his entire operation. OPDX and its readers would like to give our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of P29VR/W7GSP.

T4, CUBA. Operators Luis/CO6LP, Orelvis/CO6LC, Yordany/CM6YAC, Jose/CO6EC and possibly one or two other operators will be active as T46A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via CO6LC. The plans to use a FT-747, FT-80 and 2-SEG 15D, with 2 or 3 amplifiers 400w; antennas include: 2 - 2 element yagis (20/15/10), a vertical for 40m, and verticals and dipoles for 160/80m. Receiving antennas: 2 Beverages 580 feet long to EU and USA-JA.

TC2, TURKEY. If you missed Tevfik, TA1HZ, during the WAE SSB Contest this past weekend using the special callsign TC2X, you will have a second chance to work him during the 51st Scandanavian Activity Contest on September 26-27th. Tevfik's QTH is Bayramoglu, Kocaeli, and he uses a Diamond BB7V vertical antenna and a long wire. He states, "Main purpose of activity is to give out multipliers to runners and have the flag up!!"

TC3, TURKEY (Lighthouse Activity). After the successful ILOTA Istanbul Lighthouses On The Air activity, the members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will now activated for the first time Balyos Lighthouse on the south coast of the Marmara Sea between September 19-23rd. The callsign will be TC3BLH. Activity will be as usual on the HF bands, mainly on 20 and 40m SSB. SSTV activity is planned, but not guaranteed. There will be other new lighthouse activations from the Marmara Sea coastline with a special award available after the operations. If you are interested in lighthouse activities, please check the following Web site for further announcements at: http://www.tcswat.org

TJ, CAMEROON. Reports indicate that Lionel, F5PSA, is active as TJ3SL. His length of stay is unknown at this time. Activity has been on 20-10 meters using SSB, but only during his spare time. QSL via his home

callsign.

TK, CORSICA. Members of the Volta DX Team and Project DX Team will be active as TK/homecall from Corsica (EU-014) between September 19-24th. Operators mentioned are: Ern/I2FUG, Oscar/IK2AQZ and John/IK2JYT. This is their annual holiday/DXpedition. Activity will be on all bands (160-2 meters) using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have two stations using small amplifiers, verticals and loop antennas. They will also try to go and operate from a more islands, such as Ile St.Cipriano (EU-164), Ile Cerbicales (EU-100) and Ile Sanguinaire (EU-104). QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

V2, ANTIGUA. Bud, AA3B, will once again be active as V26K between November 26th and December 1st. His activity includes the CQWW CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. This will be an all CW operation on the contest HF bands only. Please QSL via AA3B.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Jack, N2VW, will be active from the VP5JM Hamlet on Providenciales Island (NA-002, FL31) between October 21-28th. His activity will include an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) possibly using a special callsign. Outside of the contest Jack will be signing VP5/N2VW on all bands (160-6 meters) and modes. QSL via his home callsign.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Rodger/W7VV, Ralph/VE7XF and possibly some other operators will be active from Jodi's, VP5JM, "Hamlet" QTH (http://www.vp5jm.com/) on Providenciales, Caicos Islands (NA-002), between November 15th and December 3rd. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry and possibly a special callsign (TBA). QSL route TBA. Operators will be active before and after the contest on all bands (160-6 meters) and modes signing VP5/homecall. QSL via their home callsigns.

XV, VIETNAM (Rare IOTAs). Members of the Russian Robinson Club and R-Quad Antenna Company have put together a DXpedition project to activate the rarest IOTA references in Vietnam during the last part of September and early October. They will be in Vietnam between September 24th and October 2nd. Operators mentioned are: Sergey/RA3NAN, Oleg/RK3FA, Andy/RZ3EM and Andrey/UA6BGB. The tentative schedule is as follows:
AS-185. Activity from Hon Ngu Island as XV6RRC; September 24-26th.
AS-162. Activity from Cu Lao Cham Island as XV7RRC; September 27-28th.
AS-157. Activity from Hon Tam Island as XV3RRC; Sept. 29th-October 1st
The team plans to run 2 stations with the following setup:
TXs: Elecraft K3 ☐ 2 pcs
Amplifiers: Acom 1000, Ameritron ALS600
Antennas: 160/80/40m Vertical on 18m mast, 20m VDA on 12m mast, VDAs on 15-17m on 12m mast, BiggIR Vertical (40-10m), LowBands RX antennas (if the conditions permit)
Software: WinTest, AATest
The team will try to do their best to log as many IOTA enthusiasts all over the world as the propagation and other local conditions permit. If

they can manage to arrange an Internet connection, they will try to update
their log daily. For more details and updates, please visit their Web
page at: http://xv6rrc.com/

YJ0, VANUATU. Tomas, VK2CCC (LY1F), will be active from here between
October 30th and November 5th. Callsign is to be announced later. Activity
will be "part time", but mainly on 160 and 80 meters CW. QSL via VK2CC,
by the Bureau or direct. View some photos from his past operations at:
http://www.qrz.lt/foto/main.php?g2_view=core:ShowItem&g2_itemId=3793

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA. Bernie, ZS4TX, from Danhof, will be active during the
CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL
via LoTW.

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mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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10776. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 01:19:08 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10764 Message: 10776

I mentioned CQ magizine because every April they publish some plausible story, so deep that you kinda wonder if it is true. Usually am able to catch on by about the 5th-6th paragraph. Supposed to be an April Fool. They did get me the first time around. hi hi

BTW: as an Extra, I did the memorize on the written (I'm just no teckie) BUT I did pass the 20 wpm test. phase angle??

Dale K8TS

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 4:01:10 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

At 03:28 PM 9/13/2009, you wrote:

>Paul- I quote;
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>"One of the more knowledgeable DXers
>told me a week ago we are seeing great condx because the X-rays from
>the coronal holes are causing ionization without attenuation because
>the GMF remains unusually quiet."
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>Did you copy this out of an April CQ Magizine article? :)
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>Dale K8TS

Nope . . . don't get CQ magazine. W9RGB and I were discussing conditions on 30M and he mentioned it to me. Don't know where he saw it. Perhaps CQ??

Either way, it seems to be true.

73, Paul VE1DX

10777. lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 02:13:30 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10777 Message: 10777

Some have given that they will not make contact with a station that does not use lotw. How do you tell?

Dale K8TS

10778. Re: [DX-IS] lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 02:19:40 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10777 Message: 10778

look at ve7cc or other dx clusters and you can see the indication a station is lotw

other than that how can one really tell

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--- On Sun, 9/13/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] lotw
To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sunday, September 13, 2009, 9:13 PM

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Dale K8TS

10779. Re: [DX-IS] lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 02:20:53 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 10777 Message: 10779

Dale Cole K8TS wrote:
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> Some have given that they will not make contact with a station that
> does not use lotw. How do you tell?
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> If you set VE7CC cluster software up correctly, it will place a "+"
> symbol beside the LOTW stations.
>

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

10780. Re: [DX-IS] lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 02:23:31 UTC
From: Phil Howlett
Topic: 10777 Message: 10780

Use
http://www.dxwatch.com/dxsd1.php?f=20

and

http://www.hb9bza.net/lotw/lotw.txt

W9XX, Phil

On Sep 13, 2009, at 10:13 PM, Dale Cole K8TS wrote:

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10781. Re: [DX-IS] lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 02:24:28 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10777 Message: 10781

Then go back to the age ole adage, WFWL ;-)
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 7:13 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] lotw

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Dale K8TS

10782. Re: [DX-IS] lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 02:28:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10777 Message: 10782

At 11:13 PM 9/13/2009, you wrote:

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>does not use lotw. How do you tell?
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>Dale K8TS

Well, I wouldn't make that my criteria as to whether or not I would work a station, but there are those who do. There is no absolute guarantee that I know of to be certain the station you are interested in is a LoTW user. The ARRL does not make public such a list. Even if they did, there is no way to be sure the station identified has done any more than sign up for LoTW . . . they may have tried it and for some reason decided they didn't like it. So they got "on the list", but are no longer active with LoTW.

An unofficial list is available at:

http://www.hb9bza.net/lotw/

As the web site says, "This is a compilation of information from many sources, including the DX-Cluster, DX bulletins, WEB sites and files received from other LoTW users." It's a good reference but for a number of reasons, it isn't 100%. It is probably the best there is.

Many logging and telnet programs use that list to flag known users. Two are AA6YQ's DX Labs Suite and VE7CC's AR User program. Both of these are free and make a good attempt at flagging LoTW (and eQSL) users.

They are available at:

(AA6YQ's DX Labs Suite): http://www.dxlabsuite.com/

(VE7CC's AR User): http://www.ve7cc.net/

73, Paul VE1DX

10783. Re: [DX-IS] lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 11:03:46 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10777 Message: 10783
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Alternatively you can work the guy, ask and not log him if he says no. HI

BTW the list of LOTW users most likely contains many who started using LOTW and quit. I've come across quite a number who last updated their logs 3 or 4 years ago-- according to the "find call" option LOTW has.

73 de Brian/K3KO

10784. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 05:04:23 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10764 Message: 10784

Hope and knowing when the needed ones MAY be on and worked.

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 11:06 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Hope, springs eternal right ?

----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
To: DX IS!
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 10:05 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Paul,

The "Deserving DXers" never give up! Case in point, I worked 4U1ITU this morning (9/13/09 12:34) in the WAE. 4U1ITU was one of my last three on the current DXCC entity list and I saw him first spotted early 9/12/09 on 40M. I spent most of Saturday searching for 4U1ITU, working an occasional station calling CQ just to make sure I'd probably be heard if I found 4U1ITU.

"Never Give Up" , the good days are coming! < http://www.geocities.com/k2cddx/lead24.html >

73 ES DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2009 7:29 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

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was "A SHAME THAT MNI HVE GIVEN UP HPE."

We were assaulted by the CW war, the takeover by the Internet
and cell phones and other wireless gadgets in the past 10-15
years. We are now faced with a prolonged trough in the solar
cycle. Perception is everything, but I *think* there is less
activity in the WAE contest than I've heard in previous years.

Personally I am finding propagation great on 20 and lower, even
better than when the flux was high in many cases. 17/15/12/10 are

pretty much dead as one would expect, but there seem to be some great openings on the lower bands. One of the more knowledgeable DXers told me a week ago we are seeing great condx because the X-rays from the coronal holes are causing ionization without attenuation because the GMF remains unusually quiet. A silver lining we have never had the chance to see before, so to speak.

And we have Midway and Glorioso imminent. Bottom line, does anyone know if some of the old stalwarts are packing it in because the solar cycle seems stalled? That would be too bad, as there still is a lot of fun to be had. On the other hand, less calling means the pileups are easier to bust!

73, Paul VE1DX

10785. pet peeve

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 12:38:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10785 Message: 10785

So here I am, in a thick pile-up of Europeans calling JA7CDK. Aside from the fact he can't hear me through the much stronger European hoard, when I listen for him there are not one but two Europeans calling ME.

Reference yesterday's thread about losing faith, this bothers me more than poor conditions.

And, oh yes, 4W6AL didn't bother with 20M today (at least so far) and I sure as hell don't have conditions on 17M at 1100Z. My birdie was S-9 on 14027 so I wouldn't have heard him anyway. Life goes on.

Today we have conditions and he's not available for the northeast coast. If it weren't for bad luck, I'd have no luck at all.

73

Al, VE1AL

10786. TO5MM in 1993

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 17:57:16 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10786 Message: 10786

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You can e-mail me directly rather than using the reflector, since it is so busy with traffic these days.

73

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10787. Re: [DX-IS] TO5MM in 1993

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 18:09:49 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10786 Message: 10787

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10788. Re: [DX-IS] TO5MM in 1993

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 18:29:31 UTC
From: Art & Linda Hubert
Topic: 10786 Message: 10788

Alan
the 1993 TO5MM operation counts for FM

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 2:09 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TO5MM in 1993

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10789. RE: [DX-IS] TO5MM in 1993

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 18:44:31 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10786 Message: 10789

Thank you Art. I have another one for you, then -- TO5A in 1996. I assume that's also FM but can you confirm that?

Trust you and Linda are well.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Art & Linda Hubert
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 3:30 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TO5MM in 1993

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10790. RE: [DX-IS] TO5MM in 1993

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 18:46:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10786 Message: 10790

As far as I'm concerned, Zack, they're a real PITA. It isn't as if the French are short on prefixes. I would have thought the amateurs in France would have howled loud enough that I could have heard them in Cape Breton without a receiver!!!

From here on, I will make sure I have the proper prefix logged at the time of the QSO so I don't have to worry about doing this again if I'm around in another 15 years.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 3:10 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TO5MM in 1993

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10791. Re: TO5MM in 1993

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 21:00:37 UTC
From: leezl2al
Topic: 10786 Message: 10791

Hi Alan
TO5MM was Doug Priest W3CF, V26DX, and TO5MM and is Martinique in 1993

For those of you that use DX4Win, an easy way of identifying a new entity call like FT5GA in your log is to enter a QSO using that call, change to the correct entity with F1 and then delete it. The next time you enter that call it will identify it correctly. I can't comment on other logging programs.

Good luck with working the team on Glorioso

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10792. RE: [DX-IS] Re: TO5MM in 1993

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 21:28:26 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10786 Message: 10792

Thanks, Lee, for that info. Now that you've reminded me, I think I knew that it was Doug's operation.

Your suggestion also works with DXbase when an unknown call is entered. With DXbase, the first time FT5GA is entered it will come up as France. In this case, simply scroll through the F calls until you come to FR/G and enter the call as a QSO. You'll be prompted to accept all future entries for that call as FR/G (the proper designation for Glorioso as far as I'm concerned).

I'm hoping to work them on several new bands and modes.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of leezl2al
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 6:01 PM
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Yahoo! Groups Links

10793. help with DL3OI de KQ0B

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 21:43:30 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10793 Message: 10793

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10794. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10794

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 257 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet. A single unsettled
period was observed at all latitudes between 14/0000-0300Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active
periods at high latitudes, for the next three days (15-17
September). The increased activity is expected as a recurrent
coronal hole becomes geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 15 Sep-17 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 Sep 069
Predicted 15 Sep-17 Sep 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 14 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 13 Sep 004/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 14 Sep 005/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 15 Sep-17 Sep 007/015-008/007-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 15 Sep-17 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10795. Re: [DX-IS] help with DL3OI de KQ0B

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-14 22:32:26 UTC
From: DE1DXX@aol.com
Topic: 10793 Message: 10795

Hi Michael,

for german Hams, you can go to

http://ans.bundesnetzagentur.de/Amateurfunk/Rufzeichen.aspx

and type in the call.

This is the website from the german authority "Bundesnetzagentur"

for DL3OI you will find:

Ulrich Bettin; Lehrer-Wirth-Str. 42; 81829 München

You may also try DL3OI@... for email. All german hams have the possibility

to get a free "call @ darc.de" email from the german DARC. But this is not a must,

but worth a try, asking for the direct address

Good luck!

vy 73
Andreas DE1DXX / DO1DXX

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Von: Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...>
An: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-15 12:12:22 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10793 Message: 10796

Andreas

thank you very much

I will send letter to his address

73s
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KQ0B

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10797. RE: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-15 07:29:33 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10764 Message: 10797

Well I think I worked 3 stations in the WAE and they were local DX, well relatively local to us.

It took me ages to get T30GM, especially on 40m, but I guess I was a bit impatient, sometimes one never knows if one is going to miss out...

Have not heard FO/G3BJ at all. He seems to be on at the wrong times for us on every band. I am glad there is another team going to the Australs soon.

On a brighter note, (according to the cluster) I see FT5GA has fired up!! On 20m SSB, I am really looking forward to working those guys,

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pileups are easier to bust!

73, Paul VE1DX

10798. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-15 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10798

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 15 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 258 Issued at 2200Z on 15 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 14/2100Z
to 15/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 14/2100Z to 15/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomantic field is expected
to be quiet to unsettled, with isolated active periods, for the next
two days (16-17 September). This increased activity is expected as a
recurrent coronal hole high speed stream becomes geoeffective. The
geomagnetic field is expected to return to quiet levels on the third
day (18 September).
III. Event Probabilities 16 Sep-18 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 15 Sep 069
Predicted 16 Sep-18 Sep 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 15 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 14 Sep 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 15 Sep 006/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 16 Sep-18 Sep 008/007-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 16 Sep-18 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/15/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10799. Refresher for the fall DX/Contest season

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 01:32:32 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10799 Message: 10799

> THE MISSING 'Q' SIGNALS
>
> QBA - My antenna is BIG!
> QBA? - How big is your antenna?
> QBO - Don't sit next to that guy in the meeting.
> QBO? - Buddy, can you spare some soap?
> QBS - It's getting deep in here.
> QBS? - Did I tell you about the one that got away?
> Alternate
> QBS - Clean the bird shit off your antenna so you can hear me
> QBS? - Should I clean the bird shit off my antenna so I can hear you
> QCP - I am using Cat Power (From Rotary Cat Power Wheel)
> QCP? - Are you using Cat Power?
> QCW - I am going to whistle Morse Code on FM (or SSB)
> QCW? - Why are you whistling Morse?
> QDR - Damn Right the frequency is busy!} In response to QRL
> QDR? - Do you have a Receiver?} In response to QRL
> QET - Phone home.
> QET? - Has anyone called me from another planet?
> QEW - Copy is difficult due to Ear Wax.
> QEW? - Is copy difficult due to Ear Wax?
> QFH - This frequency is MINE! - go elsewhere.
> QFH? - Is this frequency hogged?
> QHI - I am jumping in quick to say hi, then going QRT.
> QHI? - Are you leaving after only one transmission?
> QLF - I am sending with my left foot.
> QLF? - Are you sending with your left foot?
> QLK - I am sending with my left foot and keyboard.
> QLK? - Are you sending with your left foot and keyboard?
> QNO - I am sending through a non-standard orifice.
> QNO? - Are you sending through a non-standard orifice?
> QOF Yes, I am an Old Fart.
> QOF? Are you an old Fart?
> QOK - Your last transmission was Okie Dokie.
> QOK? - Was my last transmission OK?
> QPM - Your signal is purr modulated.
> QPM? - Is my signal purr modulated?
> QRC - Warning, rag chewer on frequency.
> QRC? - Are you a rag chewer?
> QRG - You are transmitting in or near the ... (wave length or frequency)
> amateur band.
> QRG? - Am I transmitting in or near an amateur band, and if so which one?
> QRW - Means QRP - Really Weak
> QRW? - QRP, you are Really Weak?
> QWC? - Who cares?

> QWC - I don't care
> QZZ - I fell asleep at the mike.
> QZZ? - Is that a 60Hz hum, or are you snoring?
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> 73, de Hans, K0HB
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10800. Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-15 13:58:04 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10764 Message: 10800

Yes, I saw the e-mail and tuned in to 14190. Nothing there at the moment, but the only signals on the band right now are a K7 and P41USA I think both said they could not hear FT5GA.
We have two or three weeks - I'll only get concerned if there are a couple days left and I haven't worked them yet.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Sep 15, 2009 at 2:29 AM, Lance Martin <
lance.martin@...> wrote:

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> Well I think I worked 3 stations in the WAE and they were local DX, well
> relatively local to us.
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> It took me ages to get T30GM, especially on 40m, but I guess I was a bit
> impatient, sometimes one never knows if one is going to miss out...
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> Have not heard FO/G3BJ at all. He seems to be on at the wrong times for us
> on every band. I am glad there is another team going to the Australs soon.
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> On a brighter note, (according to the cluster) I see FT5GA has fired up!!
> On 20m SSB, I am really looking forward to working those guys,
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> 73, Lance – VK6DU
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> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf Of
> *CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
> *Sent:* Monday, 14 September 2009 1:04 PM
>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?
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> Hope and knowing when the needed ones MAY be on and worked.
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> *From:* Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
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> *Sent:* Sunday, September 13, 2009 11:06 AM
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> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?
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> Hope, springs eternal right ?
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> ----- Original Message -----
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> *From:* CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M <glhuber@...>
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> *To:* DX IS! <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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> *Sent:* Sunday, September 13, 2009 10:05 AM
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> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Are Hams giving up hope?
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> 73 ES DX,
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> *From:* Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
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> *Sent:* Sunday, September 13, 2009 7:29 AM
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> *To:* DX IS! <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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10801. Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 12:35:33 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10764 Message: 10801

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10802. Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 12:37:42 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10764 Message: 10802

I agree Gary. I also meant to state in my response to Paul that perhaps the WAE is only an anomaly - after all, there are many who despise the QTC portion of that contest.

If the number of logs are truly indicative of the overall activity, many of the major contests are exhibiting record entries and record scores (notwithstanding the DQs!).

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10803. Re: lotw

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 12:43:37 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10777 Message: 10803

A number of logging programs as well as some of the cluster software display users either known or suspected to be LotW participants.

I use DXLabs (DXKeeper is the logbook and SpotCollector color codes users who participate in LotW and eQSL.

I also use CC User (from VE7CC) and the LotW users are marked (at least I think they used to be - I don't bother too much to look).

There are also databases available on the internet whether you have software that can use them or not.

Art - N4PJ
--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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> Some have given that they will not make contact with a station that does not use lotw.Â How do you tell?
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> Dale K8TS
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10804. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 12:44:01 UTC
From: Richard DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 10764 Message: 10804

Dont dispair boys and girls. According to Spaceweather.com, there is a very large sunspot (cycle 24) making its way around the backside of the disc right now and should be earth facing by friday or saturday.

http://spaceweather.com/images2009/14sep09/gong_farside_blank.gif?PHPSESSID=2jrtrgadg4n6m0qrn2i17meie2

----- Original Message -----
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 8:35 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

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10805. FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 19:40:28 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10805

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73

Al, VE1AL

10806. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 19:59:08 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10757 Message: 10806

At 12:40 PM 9/16/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
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>shows up on 20M CW and the lids come crawling out of the woodwork.

I can hardly wait for them to show up on SSB. :(

I guess this puts to rest the fairy tale that knowing code makes one
a better ham.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10807. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 20:10:04 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10757 Message: 10807

I think I am going to be SICK,.....

----- Original Message -----
From: Dick Flanagan
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 2:59 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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10808. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 20:11:02 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10757 Message: 10808

But how many of them know code vs just looking at the cluster frequency and sending gibberish or having the computer send swear words for them? After all, was it this bad when you had to pass a CW test to get on any HF?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 9/16/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

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10809. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 20:14:06 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 10809

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10810. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 20:30:21 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10757 Message: 10810

--- On Wed, 9/16/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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10811. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 21:00:36 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10757 Message: 10811

everywhere you go, whatever you do. You are going to find some low life !

Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 3:30 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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10812. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 21:23:13 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10757 Message: 10812

Went to 14014 earlier today also.....the police were policing the unidentified lids, while most of the rest of them did not understand what split meant. What a messy zoo. :(

Dale K8TS

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From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 4:14:06 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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10813. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 21:27:06 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10757 Message: 10813

anyone know the URL for the FREQ POLICE ?

:-)
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 4:23 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 4:14:06 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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73

Al, VE1AL

10814. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-16 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10814

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 Sep-19 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
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Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10815. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 02:29:59 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10757 Message: 10815

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Didn't hear them sign once, though there was quite a bit of QRM happening. Though their signals were down here (not sure if they have a directional antenna on 40m) there were some tremendously good sigs coming in LP from the states! Also heard LP USA on 20m around the same time...

GL guys,

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Sent: Thursday, 17 September 2009 5:27 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Al, VE1AL

10816. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 03:04:56 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10757 Message: 10816

That's right Lance. For them being just 7000km
away, they were extremely weak. I would have
expected S9+ signals but mother nature decided otherwise.

Likewise, I did not hear them identify at all.
The spots on the cluster said it was FT5GA but it
could have been anyone. I thought it was a rule
that a station should identify periodically.
Obviously not in that part of the world.

Cheers, Alek

PS:Don't need 'em but would like just one cw contact.

At 10:29 AM 17/09/2009, Lance Martin wrote:

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>around 2230 ☐ 2300z they were not strong here.
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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
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10817. Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 10:48:40 UTC
From: bill_w4zv
Topic: 10757 Message: 10817

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...> wrote:
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For those with a decent RX antenna and TX signal, they were very workable into the Midwest. For some reason they went QRT around 0215z which was 30 minutes before sunrise. They gradually built in strength from 0040z and I would have expected a good sunrise peak if they had stayed.

73 & GL!

Bill W4ZV (now 7O, BS7H and P5 to finish 80m)

10818. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 12:02:56 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 10818

069/069/70 !!!

'Tings is lukin up!"

:-)
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 6:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
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10819. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 14:49:48 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 10819

I was away from home till about 0230Z and couldn't find them (or any pileup) on any band then. However, I did barely hear 3B8CF on 40m. I heard someone else work him who could evidently hear him better than I could. I did not take that as a good sign. Jacky is usually copyable by me on 40m.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Sep 17, 2009 at 5:48 AM, bill_w4zv <btippett@...> wrote:

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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, "Lance Martin"
> <lance.martin@...> wrote:
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10820. Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 16:58:45 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10820 Message: 10820

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73, Paul VE1DX

10821. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 17:01:56 UTC
From: sgalonski1@aol.com
Topic: 10820 Message: 10821

Paul,

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Stan,
KB6RQZ

In a message dated 9/17/2009 9:59:42 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time,
list_dx@... writes:

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10822. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 17:06:25 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10820 Message: 10822

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Someone last night was sending "OBAMA" over and over on 7002. I don't believe the FT5 was active at the time. But that's totally nuts. Absolutely non-sequitur and pointless.

I hope the DXpedition ops get going and really crank out the QSO's. I hope the lids give up. I hope those of us who actually want to work them and then get on with the rest of our lives without being evil or malicious get the chance.
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10823. RE: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 17:16:01 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10820 Message: 10823

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Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 1:02 PM
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10824. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 17:23:56 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10820 Message: 10824

Its only gonna get worse !!

with conditions the way it is most will be lucky to get one band maybe two confirmed

Michael W. Elliott
"THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE" -
RETIREMENT - LEISURE, REST and ONLY ELECTRONIC MAIL PAYMENTS
Servant to Bridgett, Collin and all my Creditors
St. Louis County Missouri

--- On Thu, 9/17/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2009, 12:06 PM

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10825. Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 17:28:20 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10820 Message: 10825

I think you are on to something but,..... I would rather see the major DXpeditions NOT, have notes posted at all ! then we would still be able to find them !

without all the ,......... nasty notes.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Dave AA6YQ
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 12:16 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

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10826. RE: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:00:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10820 Message: 10826

At 02:16 PM 9/17/2009, you wrote:

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I was a proponent of this 10 years ago, Dave. In fact, the first DX Cluster software I used was written by KH2D and it would not pass spots on to the users of any stations within 15 minutes of the previous spot (on the same frequency, +- 2 or 3 KHz.)

However, there are now several major players in the DX Cluster software writing game. They all pass spots between each other, Getting agreement between all the authors and all the SYSOPs on such a drastic move would be virtually impossible, I believe. I could stop all references to the current DXpedition on my VE1DXI node, but that would only mean most of my users would telnet to another cluster. It is impossible to co-ordinate such a policy unless you are the sole author of the package.

The other phenomena at work here is the underlying belief that more is always better. If one spot of FT5GA is good, then 1000 spots must be better. Every second person who works them has to re-spot them and tell us where they worked them. This brag spotting serves no purpose as the QSX frequency has always changed by the time it propagates to the users, and they don't care if you or I worked the DX.

This was prevented in KH2D's software (no longer available.) It seemed to be an unpopular feature. Users said they wanted to re-spot the DX to put the QSL manager in the comment field, etc. The abuse of the DX Cluster system by turning it into a global chat line to anonymously insult other Hams in real time is an unfortunate and unexpected consequence of technology. I fear the barn door is open for good.

73, Paul VE1DX

10827. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 17:59:24 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10820 Message: 10827

At 02:28 PM 9/17/2009, you wrote:

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That is a good approach, Joey. The hurdle I see, as I explained to Dave, AA6YQ, is that it would take agreement between a number of DX Cluster authors and SYSYPs (and their power users) who support this huge network with untold time and a lot of $$. There would also be pressure not to do it from users who like comments.

I'd like to see it happen, but the logistics of implementing such a change are formidable, to say the least.

73, Paul VE1DX

10828. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:12:36 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10820 Message: 10828

I have never completely understood the resentment that some people hold towards DXers or contesters, and the resulting interference that occurs because of it. There are a couple of facets in ham radio that I think are just plain stupid, but I ignore them as best I can, instead of interfering with them or trying to ruin it for those who do engage in them.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 9/17/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2009, 11:58 AM

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10829. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:13:10 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10820 Message: 10829

Maybe his call is HH5HHH?

73s John AA5JG

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Date: Thursday, September 17, 2009, 12:06 PM

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Someone last night was sending "OBAMA" over and over on 7002. I don't believe the FT5 was active at the time. But that's totally nuts. Absolutely non-sequitur and pointless.

I hope the DXpedition ops get going and really crank out the QSO's. I hope the lids give up. I hope those of us who actually want to work them and then get on with the rest of our lives without being evil or malicious get the chance.

73, Zack W9SZ

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10830. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:14:38 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10820 Message: 10830

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10831. RE: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:20:01 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10820 Message: 10831

Its not the "brag spotting" I'm out to eliminate. In the case of FT5GA, there would be no spots of FT5GA.. Jammers and policeman would actually have to find the DX, which would likely reduce the problem by a factor of 10. The DX could QSY, and the remaining jammers would have to find them again; no fun.

It would be best if the cluster network agreed to implement this.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 2:00 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

At 02:16 PM 9/17/2009, you wrote:

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10832. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:25:43 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10820 Message: 10832

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10833. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:29:27 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10820 Message: 10833

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10834. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 18:50:20 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10820 Message: 10834

that fellow that is doing the CW needs his head examined !

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10835. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10835

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 260 Issued at 2200Z on 17 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet with two periods of
unsettled conditions from 0000Z-0600Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet with isolated periods of unsettled
conditions for day one (18 September). This activity is due to a
recurrent coronal hole high speed stream. On days two and three
(19-20 September), the geomagnetic field is expected to return to
quiet levels.
III. Event Probabilities 18 Sep-20 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 Sep 069
Predicted 18 Sep-20 Sep 069/070/070
90 Day Mean 17 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 Sep 005/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 Sep 007/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 Sep-20 Sep 005/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Sep-20 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10836. ARLD037 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-17 22:47:50 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6167 Message: 10836

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ARLD037 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 37 ARLD037
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 17, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD037
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This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by DL1FX, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

VIET NAM, 3W. A group of operators will be QRV from three island groups as XV6RRC from Ngu Island, IOTA AS-185, XV7RRC from Cham Island, IOTA AS-162, and XV3RRC from Tam Island, IOTA AS-157, on various days from September 24 to October 1. Activity will be 160 to 10 meters with two stations active simultaneously. QSL all calls direct via RZ3EC.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Daniel, DF8UO is QRV as 5R8UO until September 20. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mainly CW and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

OMAN, A4. San, VU2CEO and Manoj, VU2MCJ along with two SWL operators will be QRV as A45WH/p from Masirah Island, IOTA AS-014, from September 22 to 24. Activity will be on 160, 80, 40, 30 and 20 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL direct to A45WH.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Heinze, DL7HKL is QRV as EA8/home call from La Gomera Island. IOTA AF-004, until September 28. Activity is holiday style on 20, 15 and 10 meters using SSB and especially during his evening hours. QSL to home call.

ETHIOPIA, ET. Jim, WU0I is staying in Addis Ababa momentarily and should soon be QRV as ET3JD in October. Activity will be on 40 to 15 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL direct to ET3JD.

TAJIKISTAN, EY. Ken, K4ZW has been QRV as EY8/home call on 20 meters around 1200z and 15 meters around 0900z. QSL to home call.

MAYOTTE, FH. Willi, DJ7RJ will be QRV as TO7RJ from September 22 to October 25. The last three days of his activity he will be QRV as FH/DJ7RJ. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters, and possibly 6 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

GLORIOSO ISLANDS, FR/G. A group of operators are QRV as FT5GA until October 10 from Grand Glorieuse Island, IOTA AF-011. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 with four stations active simultaneously. QSL via F5OGL.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Operators JO2JDJ and JI5RPT will be QRV as JD1BLP and JD1BLY, respectively, from Chichijima, IOTA AS-031, from September 19 to 22. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, digital modes and satellites. QSL to home calls.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. Tomi, OH6EI will be QRV as OH0Z a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry in the Scandinavian Activity CW Contest. QSL via W0MM.

GREECE, SV. Fred, PA1FJ is QRV as SV8/PA1FJ/p from Samos Island, IOTA EU-049, until October 2. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using QRP power and SSB. QSL to home call.

TUVALU, T2. Gerben, PG5M is QRV as T2G until September 23. Activity is on the HF bands at various times using CW. QSL to home call.

SAN MARINO, T7. Operators DL1ZBO, DK9FEC, DJ5TT and DL1FX will be QRV as T70A from September 24 to 27. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. This includes an entry in the upcoming CQ WW RTTY contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the ''TC Special Wireless Activity Team'' will be QRV as TC3BLH from September 19 to 24 from Balyos Lighthouse in the Marmara Sea. Activity will be mainly on 40 and 20 meters using SSB. QSL via operators' instructions.

NIUE, ZK2. Koji, JM1CAX will be QRV as ZK2NX from September 19 to 25. He will be active on all HF bands, with a preference to the newer bands, using mainly CW with some SSB. QSL to home call.

CHATHAM ISLAND, ZL7. Bill, N7OU is QRV as ZL7/home call until September 30. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest, North American SSB Sprint, Scandinavian Activity CW Contest, NCCC Sprint, AGB NEMIGA CW Contest, SARL VHF/UHF Contest, CIS DX QPSK63 Contest, South Carolina QSO Party, QRP Afield, Washington State Salmon Run, Feld Hell Sprint and QCWA Fall QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest and 144 MHz Fall Sprint are scheduled for September 21. The SKCC CW Sprint and RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Sprint are scheduled for September

23. Please see September QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM
contest web sites for details.
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10837. Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:02:09 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10837

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10838. Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:10:26 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10838

I agree with the first part, but disagree with the second part - sort of!

In the case of FT5GA this afternoon, with or without posts, it was difficult to discern any recognizeable pattern by the operator. However, in many operations, the more astute observer (listener!) might garnish some kind of pattern from those posting where they worked the DXpedition.

Posts I have made showing where I worked the station is *never* done as a brag post, but as a post that might help others identify how high (or how low) he was listening at the time; does he tend to stay near a given frequency; does he appear to be moving up/down, etc.

I *am* willing to admit you might be right, but my posts were never intended to be bragging posts. Now that my wife is a DXer, I only have bragging rights in her direction! hi hi ("Honey, if you learned the code, you'd have more chances to work 'em!")

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10839. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:12:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10820 Message: 10839

I found the operator on 20 SSB was painstakingly slow, likely due to the intense QRM from those calling from both Europe and North America. While I could hear him, he never got stronger than S-8 and by late afternoon he was down to S-4/5 and working NA much farther south of me. I'm still waiting for the on-line logs to come up to see if I'm there for a very sketchy contact made last evening on 20 CW, where I don't need FT5GA.

The biggest problem everyone faced this afternoon on 20 SSB was the extremely wide split and the jammers and guys who either deliberately or accidentally called on the transmit frequency. Of course, the out-of-turn callers didn't help and the FT5 operator's lack of rhythm made it difficult to snag a QSO.

I heard some European this afternoon using the "F" word repeatedly and last night on 20 and 40 CW I heard the "A*hole" word spelled out along with many "f-you" epithets. I could not hear them last night on 40, although I could hear the pile-up. I knew that 3B8CF was there but he wasn't strong enough for me to call.

Good luck to all who need it for a new one. I'm just looking for some band and mode QSOs.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:19:55 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10840

Strange, isn't it? It seems that those who can, do and those who can't just cause QRM!

It always seems to be the same weird group - they raise caine when the DXpedition first comes on the air. Then, after a few days, when the DXpeditioners seems persistent, they fold their tents and (usually!) sort of disappear.

Listen for me in Mississippi this coming week. Marsha and I are trying to put out all 82 counties starting Monday morning. We need to be back home by mid Saturday afternoon, so if I can't finish, I'll have a small cluster (hopefully all together) to finish up later. It will be all CW on 20, 30 and 40.

Art - N4PJ

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Date: 2009-09-18 00:27:17 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10841

Fortunately, it doesn't happen very often, but, once in a great while, a planned 10-day or two week dxpedition gets drastically shortened. This has happened only two or three times that I was aware of. Just two or three years ago, a group from Venezuela went to Aves Island for a planned 10 to 14-day trip. They were on for two or three days and then the Venezuelan navy evacuated them because of a threatening storm (Aves Island being about 1 foot above sea level!)

In situations like that, the guy who waited got left holding the bag! Again, those are truly rare. Sometimes it's amazing how easy they get in the latter stages of their trip.

Sometimes, like Spratly back in the 70s, the dxpeditioners got shot at (a couple DXers died - I think at least one of them died of exposure after being adrift at sea for several days). Several of the planned ops opted out of the trip - one guy I knew stayed in Brunei rather than make another attempt to land and operate.

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10842. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:31:00 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10820 Message: 10842

ART,

U are welcome in PIKE County Ill even buy the Coffee !

----- Original Message -----
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:32:28 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10820 Message: 10843

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:32:45 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10844

According to cluster reports, one of the ops yesterday appears to be a pirate. There are a number of ops who reported working FT5GA only to NOT be in the log today. I had the same fear and the URL I was using showed the log to still be empty. Then someone steered me to another link with the logs and my call is there.

I agree with your assessment of the 20 SSB op this afternoon. He sounded very workable in mid-afternoon but bounced around like crazy. There didn't seem to be much in the way of "quiet spots" to hunker down and call - everyone was calling from everywhere!

This evening they are being reported on 40 CW, but all I can hear from here are the jerks. I can hear the pile (lots of US calls) but have yet to hear the FT5 - such is life. Same on 80. The EU stns are bitchin' cuz FT5GA sent "NA only" but I can't hear 'em!

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Date: 2009-09-18 00:33:39 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10820 Message: 10845

Art,

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Topic: 10820 Message: 10846

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Date: 2009-09-18 00:43:11 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10820 Message: 10848

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:46:48 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10820 Message: 10849

Al,

Why were you in the 20 meter CW pileup if you didn't need them on 20 meters? I was in that pileup, I need it on 20 meters, and I didn't work them. If all the DX'ers that had them on 20 meters would QRX, maybe some of us who need them on 20 meters could work them.

Nelson, KU0A

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10850. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 00:53:42 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10820 Message: 10850

Hey Nelson,

Yes, I heard you in that pile-up!!! I just checked the on-line log and I'm not there and neither is VO1SA whom I heard being "worked." Apparently this is the pirate who was reported so you just go ahead and work 'em and I'll stay out of your way at least until Sunday :-).

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Nelson Moyer
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 9:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

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10851. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 01:07:38 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10820 Message: 10851

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 01:06:30 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10820 Message: 10852

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According to cluster reports, one of the ops yesterday appears to be a pirate. There are a number of ops who reported working FT5GA only to NOT be in the log today. I had the same fear and the URL I was using showed the log to still be empty. Then someone steered me to another link with the logs and my call is there.

I agree with your assessment of the 20 SSB op this afternoon. He sounded very workable in mid-afternoon but bounced around like crazy. There didn't seem to be much in the way of "quiet spots" to hunker down and call - everyone was calling from everywhere!

This evening they are being reported on 40 CW, but all I can hear from here are the jerks. I can hear the pile (lots of US calls) but have yet to hear the FT5 - such is life. Same on 80. The EU stns are bitchin' cuz FT5GA sent "NA only" but I can't hear 'em!

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 01:23:39 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10820 Message: 10853

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 01:36:21 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10820 Message: 10854

Thanks for that URL, Paul. Nope, I'm not there and neither is Rick. So I guess he worked the pirate and I might have worked the pirate.

Back to the drawing board.

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Date: 2009-09-18 01:55:47 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10820 Message: 10855

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Dale K8TS

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Topic: 10820 Message: 10856

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From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10820 Message: 10858

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 03:04:16 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10820 Message: 10859

Before I head off to bed, I have to comment that the cluster is becoming less and less reliable for the casual DXer. That's because of the errors that appear on it -- wrong callsigns, typos, stupid and hurtful comments -- and the constant repeats of spots. As well, there are the brag spots.

There are spots for everyday Europeans posted by east coast Europeans, spots by Europeans for backyard stuff, etc. Unless the bands are in terrible shape, I hate seeing my call come up on the cluster from a DL, F, G or other western European. I KNOW I get into Europe very well. After all, there's absolutely nothing but water between me and them.

As for deliberate QRM, in its many forms, I agree with Gary. Ignore the jerks. Don't respond to their childishness by acknowledging their presence. It may take a few minutes, but they'll disappear out of frustration that no one recognizes their maliciousness. As for the guys who call on the wrong VFO (I've done it myself), I don't know how to handle them. However, someone always does.

And as for the FT5GA operators, judging from the numbers showing on their website, I'd say they're absolutely overwhelmed by what they're hearing. Also, we don't know what QRN they're experiencing, or what weather conditions they're working under.

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Al, VE1AL

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Date: 2009-09-18 03:07:51 UTC
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Topic: 10820 Message: 10860

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10861. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 03:22:29 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10820 Message: 10861

Dan,

What are you smoking? I'm #1 Honor Roll and I don't need your tirade. I need Glorioso on RTTY and a few band countries including 20 meters. I don't jump into rare pileups unless I really need a new mode or band country, so as not to deny others the opportunity to work the DX. I kind of expect other DX'ers to reciprocate. Unless you're also #1 Honor Roll, crawl back under your rock.

Nelson, KU0A

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of n3oxdan
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But I worked Glorioso years ago and didn't bother with the card because I liked DXing, I liked DXCC counters as a way to track my own progress, and didn't so much care about confirmations. There's this island, see, and very rarely is anyone there with a radio. I want to contact such places, and the mere fact that I'm in a pileup proves I don't entirely care whether I'm "stealing someone else's chance." Plus, I want to contact the rarest places

even if it's a repeat.

There have been times when I'd wished I'd reached the DX before the hordes set in, where I cursed the pileup, but I can't imagine very many where I *probably* could have got through if only the pileup was 10% to 20% smaller, and certainly very few cases where I would have got through if not for one single ham.

Honestly, most of the pileups I've failed to get through were one of a few things:

First possibility: I was too weak, period. Had I been the only one, the DX would have CQed in my face. BS7H was *probably* one of these, with my 100W and Moxon and 30 minutes of hearing them clearly one day. TX5C on 160m was a CONFIRMED one of these. I *almost* made it, they stuck with me very tenaciously but in the end I could not get across that I was N3OX not N3MX.

Second possibility: I was insufficiently motivated. Even if you're on a roll, in a rhythm, and understand the pileup, it can take a long time to get through. It's even worse if you're NOT on a roll and in a rhythm. I walked away from a couple of pileups on the first Swains Island expedition because they were so diffuse across 50kHz of band that I was hopeless and just not having any fun. I almost wore my dial out trying to find the correct frequency where they were listening. This was an all time new one and I just gave up. Wasn't worth it, I'd get 'em later. I did, on 17m instead of 20m.

Third possibility: The DX wasn't on long enough, and/or I screwed up. There's a probability per unit time that N3OX is going to get through a massive pile. I'm not the strongest in the bunch for sure, but I feel like I do pretty well overall (I usually have fun doing it and don't give up so I can't be too frustrated on average). But as a smaller station, I'm not going to dominate the pileup in a way that I can just tune in, key up, and be done. I missed JD1BMM for an all time new the other night because of this... well, that and the fact that I forgot JD1BMM was on Minami-Toroshima at first, so Possibility #2 made me lackluster for a while.

But once I started calling in earnest, it was about 15 minutes before JD1BMM went QRT. Another half hour and I bet I would have been in the log, but I just didn't have enough chances and a simplex SSB pileup doesn't allow much trickery.

Now, in this third situation, it is possible that ONE ham could have "taken my slot," but that's it. However, I wasted a bunch of opportunities beforehand. I was ill prepared. Had I been thinking clearly about JD1BMM and the fact that I still need M-T for a new one, I would have had a DXLab SpotCollector alert set and I would have been scouring the AA contest from the first time I realized he was in the contest. I wouldn't have waited, not only until the spot went out, but long after while I looked for "other things I needed" down on much easier to work 20m CW thinking that JD1BMM was on Ogasawara. It wasn't really my slot to have, now was it?

The way I see it, from the perspective of a smaller station who rarely misses a band slot I try for out of a big DXPedition, getting through the pileup has very little to do with going head-to-head with *anyone*. If you do that in many cases, you're doing it wrong :-) Unless you're MASSIVELY louder than everyone, you need your call to ring out relatively in the clear to get through the pileup. Most of the big ones I bust, at least on CW, I do by putting myself on a frequency where I know the DX listens but currently doesn't have any other callers that I can hear. If I have to call on the same frequency as others, I work on my timing. Ideally, I don't compete with anyone... I go around or through, not over the top How can someone steal my slot then?

73
Dan

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10862. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 04:15:23 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10820 Message: 10862

I don't know what their schedule is. This is the second night I've gotten home at about 0230Z expecting to hear them on at least one band (or maybe hear a pileup on them) and inttead they just haven't been around at all.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 10:33:09 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10863

Marsha struggled for an hour or so on 20SSB. She was constantly complaining about the QRM, verbal abuse, ignorant operators, incessant callers, blah, blah, blah. I grinned at her and told her she was having fun. "If you could get through immediately every time, everyone would want to do it!"

DX is! (sometimes frustrating!)

I just genuinely don't understand. The pileup was spread out maybe 30 kHz wide. The operator would say something like "Delta Lima 2 Papa Whiskey, is that correct?" When you swap VFOs and listen, there are still literally hundreds of people calling. If you call sounds nothing remotely like what the operator asked, what is to be gained by continuing to call?

As ridiculous as it seems, it DOES sometimes make sense that so many are calling when the op does not specify anything, even a partial call. If there are three guys trying to work the station, they each may want to be the one "in the clear" or the "last one heard." But when hundreds are calling, the odds of being in the clear are certainly more remote. But when the op specifically asks for "DL2PW" and tons of OK1, W4, AA4, W3, etc., keep calling, what's the logic?

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Date: 2009-09-18 10:42:03 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10864

My first reaction was "Geez! That's certainly a long answer!"

My second reaction was that this should be one of the short chapters in your book! I think your response provides an excellent view into the mindset of the reasonably well-prepared DXer (at a minimum!).

I also remember a year or two back, Paul, VE1DX, made a comment about jumping in to work something he didn't need - "I just couldn't help myself!" There's something about the thrill of jumping in when there's a pileup.

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10865. Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 10:56:14 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10865

In reading your post, I was reminded of the very first pileup I ever heard. I was a newly licensed General, living in an apartment complex and TVI from my transmitter was rampant. To battle the TVI (I lived on the second floor and a good ground was difficult), I operated in the wee small hours of the morning when most sane people were still in bed.

Some apparently rare or semi-rare station was on 20 CW. I heard the pileup but never actually heard the station they were trying to work. It was so rhythmic it was almost scary. It was so "angry" (it sounded like a swarm of 40 different kinds of bugs!) but it was so "regular." It would start and stop as if everyone was "cued" by their own invisible director. I honestly didn't realize what it was until a few weeks later.

A couple of years down the road (very early 1980s), after having been mentored somewhat by members of the Central Florida DX Association (W4VQ, N4WW, K4XI, AA4MM et al), I had the pleasure of hearing those same sounds again. But this time, from both my lessons and experience, that rhythmic spasm of cacophony known as a CW pileup was like true music. My first vividly remembered CW symphony was orchestrated by DJ6SI. There are many others I can also remember, but one of Baldur's trips through Africa was a memorable exercise in learning the rhythm of a good DX pileup and the skill of the op on the other end. Armed with experience and knowledge (also from things like The Complete DXer - thanks Bob, W9KNI), there were times when I felt like we were shooting fish in a barrel. While other DXers were in there blindly calling and calling and calling and hoping to be one of the deserving, I was listening to his patterns, identifying where he was working - was he moving up, moving down, was he working them on the exact kHz or was he working virtually *any* "in-between" freq? Once the pattern emerged, it was essentially a question of being where he was going and let him "fall into your trap."

Now I must honestly admit I don't remember when was the last time I heard a pileup like that. Despite the same type of pandemonium we're hearing now, both Ducie and Desecheo were memorable for the skills of the ops on the other end.

Maybe once things settle down after a few days, we'll think the FT5GA ops are better too. After all, a cluster post of "BAD OP BAD OP POOR OPERATION" typically translates to "BOO HOO I CAN'T GET THROUGH!"

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>
> I find myself calling blindly from time to time and I have to stop myself
> and re-evaluate the situation. Once I do that, I usually make a QSO. In
> the case of FT5GA on 20M CW, there was such pandemonium that I would have
> gone away about the time I made the "contact." But since it was so tenuous
> and seems to have been with a pirate, I went away shaking my head and did
> not return.
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> My usual way of doing this DX thing is to spend 15 minutes max in the

> pile-up. If the operation is half-decent (and so far, this one isn't),
> I'll come back later. Sometimes I never come back, most times I do.
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> When there's nothing new to work, filling in band and mode totals is all
> there is to keep me happy. FT5 is a challenge because it is there. If it
> is there and it interests me, I'm there for one QSO per band and mode,
> whether I have it or not. Usually, I'm in and out in a flash and haven't
> bothered anyone. Apparently, this time I did.
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> But, I agree with you 100%. Thanks for a wonderful "tirade," Dan.
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> n3oxdan
> Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 11:27 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM
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> "Why were you in the 20 meter CW pileup if you didn't need them on 20
> meters? I was in that pileup, I need it on 20 meters, and I didn't work
> them. If all the DX'ers that had them on 20 meters would QRX, maybe some of
> us who need them on 20 meters could work them."
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> He's allowed to bust the pileup and work a rare one just because he wants
> to.
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> Besides, one person doesn't make or break your chances. That's not how
> pileups work. Your job usually is to get through a mass of callers that
> will be rather large no matter who in particular is in it. Trust me, most
> of the people in the pileup need FR/G on 20m, because most of the people in
> the pileup need FR/G, period. Don't blame DXers who just like to work DX
> when it comes up for the fact that you haven't worked that particular DX.
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10866. Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 11:03:13 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10820 Message: 10866

Additionally:

On their web site there is a note that they must shut down several times daily for current/voltage inspections - the island is run by the French army and they apparently have tight security and strict rules. Tons of these clods on the cluster have access to the internet for the cluster but don't bother to read any info on the web site and when FT5GA suddenly goes QRT, the puzzlement on the cluster just multiplies unnecessarily.

I think they also have a maximum of four stations at FT5GA. To read some of what's on the cluster, one would think the "deserving" expect them to have eight bands going at a time!

Maybe Ducie and Desecheo spoiled us. At one point I almost felt like I could have worked those two on 2 meters! They appeared to be virtually everywhere! In the case of FR/G, after reading all the problems, hoops and hurdles these guys had to go through, those of us who need it for a new one are probably very lucky there's someone there at all!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> Before I head off to bed, I have to comment that the cluster is becoming
> less and less reliable for the casual DXer. That's because of the errors
> that appear on it -- wrong callsigns, typos, stupid and hurtful comments --
> and the constant repeats of spots. As well, there are the brag spots.
>
> There are spots for everyday Europeans posted by east coast Europeans,
> spots by Europeans for backyard stuff, etc. Unless the bands are in
> terrible shape, I hate seeing my call come up on the cluster from a DL, F,
> G or other western European. I KNOW I get into Europe very well. After
> all, there's absolutely nothing but water between me and them.
>
> As for deliberate QRM, in its many forms, I agree with Gary. Ignore the
> jerks. Don't respond to their childishness by acknowledging their
> presence. It may take a few minutes, but they'll disappear out of
> frustration that no one recognizes their maliciousness. As for the guys
> who call on the wrong VFO (I've done it myself), I don't know how to handle
> them. However, someone always does.
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> And as for the FT5GA operators, judging from the numbers showing on their
> website, I'd say they're absolutely overwhelmed by what they're hearing.
> Also, we don't know what QRN they're experiencing, or what weather
> conditions they're working under.
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
> Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 11:47 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM
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> The DX Cluster is just a tool which can be used by anyone with a computer
> and I don't believe it's the problem....
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> As far as the "kids, LIDs, and space cadets" that seem to come out of their
> holes to QRM DXpeditions;
> I recall the same stuff happening to FO0XC back in 1978. There were other
> DXpeditions before and since the
> advent of the personal computer, internet, and DXcluster / DXSpider
> networks which have had problems similar
> to those happening to FT5GA.
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> As in Military Communications, the best thing to do is "do not acknowledge
> intentional interference". Doing so only
> reveals the effectiveness of the intentional interference, thereby
> providing encouragement to the interfering station's operator.
> When the stress caused by the interfering station becomes too great; use
> the OFF button, QSY, or find something else to do...
> take a walk, read a book.
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> There will be better days and more DX for the Deserving.... you are a
> Deserving DXer, aren't you?
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> 73 ES DX,
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> Gary - AB9M
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> From: Zack Widup <mailto:w9sz.zack@...>
> Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 1:25 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso QRM
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> Sometimes it helps if someone posts a QSX for the DX. I have heard
> DXpeditions, particularly on 20 and 30 meters near the band closing time,
> where the DXpedition was the only signal I heard on the whole band. I could
> hear them working a pileup but couldn't hear the pileup. Sometimes they
> would say "UP 3" etc. and I'd call there. But otherwise, unless someone
> spotted "wrkd 7 up" or whatever, I'd just be guessing. Sometimes that
> worked and sometimes not.
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> We have a couple weeks to work these guys (hopefully). I don't know why so
> many people think they HAVE to work them on the first day. If I get one QSO
> with them by the time they go QRT, I'll be happy.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Thu, Sep 17, 2009 at 1:00 PM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.
> <mailto:list_dx@...> net> wrote:
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> At 02:16 PM 9/17/2009, you wrote:
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> >The amount of intentional QRM and disgusting notes in cluster spots
> >associated with the FT/G dxpedition seems like an all-time low.
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> >Perhaps the DXCluster network should be configured to not report
> >spots for major DXPeditions.
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> > 73,
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> > Dave, AA6YQ
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> I was a proponent of this 10 years ago, Dave. In fact, the
> first DX Cluster software I used was written by KH2D and it would not
> pass spots on to the users of any stations within 15 minutes of the
> previous spot (on the same frequency, +- 2 or 3 KHz.)
>
> However, there are now several major players in the DX Cluster
> software writing game. They all pass spots between each
> other, Getting agreement between all the authors and all the SYSOPs
> on such a drastic move would be virtually impossible, I believe. I
> could stop all references to the current DXpedition on my VE1DXI
> node, but that would only mean most of my users would telnet to
> another cluster. It is impossible to co-ordinate such a policy
> unless you are the sole author of the package.

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> The other phenomena at work here is the underlying belief that
> more is always better. If one spot of FT5GA is good, then 1000 spots
> must be better. Every second person who works them has to re-spot
> them and tell us where they worked them. This brag spotting serves
> no purpose as the QSX frequency has always changed by the time it
> propagates to the users, and they don't care if you or I worked the DX.
>
> This was prevented in KH2D's software (no longer
> available.) It seemed to be an unpopular feature. Users said they
> wanted to re-spot the DX to put the QSL manager in the comment field,
> etc. The abuse of the DX Cluster system by turning it into a global
> chat line to anonymously insult other Hams in real time is an
> unfortunate and unexpected consequence of technology. I fear the
> barn door is open for good.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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10867. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 13:06:25 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10820 Message: 10867
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

aburkefl wrote:
> According to cluster reports, one of the ops yesterday appears to be a pirate. There are a number of ops who reported working FT5GA only to NOT be in the log today. I had the same fear and the URL I was using showed the log to still be empty. Then someone steered me to another link with the logs and my call is there.
>
> I agree with your assessment of the 20 SSB op this afternoon. He sounded very workable in mid-afternoon but bounced around like crazy. There didn't seem to be much in the way of "quiet spots" to hunker down and call - everyone was calling from everywhere!
>
> This evening they are being reported on 40 CW, but all I can hear from here are the jerks. I can hear the pile (lots of US calls) but have yet to hear the FT5 - such is life. Same on 80. The EU stns are bitchin' cuz FT5GA sent "NA only" but I can't hear 'em!
>
> Art - N4PJ
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I know where those jerks on 40M last night came from. Their frequency
was relatively clear. As soon as they said NA, their frequency filled
up with these jerks. Beam direction indicated EU.

These twisted mind guys must figure if they don't work a decent rate of
NA stations, then they will go back to working EU's.

The jerks will get tired....

73 de Brian/K3KO

10868. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 13:13:41 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10820 Message: 10868
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Zack Widup wrote:
> I don't know what their schedule is. This is the second night I've gotten
> home at about 0230Z expecting to hear them on at least one band (or maybe
> hear a pileup on them) and inttead they just haven't been around at all.
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> Hopefully they get on during their grayline some time soon.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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Zack,

Their webpage indicates they have been working USA from 18 to 23z.
Higher freq bands earlier and lower freq bands later.

73 de Brian/K3KO

10869. Pirates

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 13:22:43 UTC
From: tm303
Topic: 10869 Message: 10869

I'd sure like to know the thrill of using a DX call to work several stations on CW. I would think that would be a lot of work for the pirate. Of course, they don't stay on the freq for hours like the real DX ops. I need FT5GA for #330. Any band/mode will do. When I worked "him" on 20 CW at 2240 UTC, I had a bad feeling that this was Slim at the key. The signal was weak and the pileup wasn't bad at all. Should have known that, when a thousand guys leave the freq, that something';s up. But, work them and check the log later. Then, work them again until you get it right. Hopefully, they will be there for the announced time period.

Our window here in the U.P. is quite narrow. It was the same with BS7 but I got them in the 18 minute window on next to the last day.

I won't even try on SSB until the end of the operation. I don't like to listen to the freq cops voices; it's bad enough on CW!

I'd have 333 countries, if I hadn't worked three Slims over the past 50 years. Unfortunately, when the three countries needed were on for an extended period, I was off the air from 1992 until P5/4L4FN came on in 2002. What a surprise to get him on 15 SSB, using my 40 meter 2 element beam on 15. Anything can happen with a little luck and sun spots!!!

Hope that all of us who worked that pathetic pirate can work the "real" FT5GA for a new one.

73,

Tom W8JWN

10870. On DXing FT5GA and others

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 13:52:49 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10870 Message: 10870

The current state of affairs with QRM and poor conditions are just part of the game of DXing if one considers the past and the future. "All things are relevant, some more so than others" according to the Old Timers.

I've made my share of honest mistakes with wrong VFO, calling out of turn, etc. There have been times of great disappointment and those of with a great sense of accomplishment.

Dr. DX, W9KNI, G3SXW, and others have provided great insights on how to play the game and have some success. Experience, some luck and good DXpedition Operators (and DX station design) also have put many (342/336) in my log.

In the past ten years or so I've noticed there are several excellent DX CW operators (including G3SXW and K9ZO) who I can seemingly work in less time than it takes to write this email if we have signals at least 2 S-units above the noise. I don't know if its mental telepathy or some unconscious understanding of how they work through their pile-up but whatever the case it works.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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10871. Re: Pirates

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 14:09:37 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10869 Message: 10871

As you obviously know by now, I erroneously told you that no logs had been posted. The link I had was *not* the correct link. W2YJ and someone else provided me with the correct link. I didn't think to check your call - I confess I was too excited about seeing my own! It's #329 for me.

Like you, I not only have worked some Slims over the years, but have also worked some who really were there but, for numerous/various reasons, were not "sanctioned" by the DXCC desk. My most notable is XZ9A back in the 80s.

Art - N4PJ

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10872. ARLP038 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 14:12:28 UTC
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Topic: 6246 Message: 10872

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ARLP038 Propagation de K7RA

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin 38 ARLP038
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 18, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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The STEREO mission (Solar TErrestrial RElations Observatory) web site shows a new display, in which the Sun is visible via an animated image that rotates to show the whole Sun. The small portion on the Sun's far side--which is not yet visible to the spacecraft--is shown as a dark area.

Currently (early Friday, September 18) the animation shows an emerging bright spot, just beyond the direct view from Earth.

Check the animation at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/.

The zero degree meridian represents the area closest to Earth, appearing in the center of the solar disk as viewed from Earth. The two 90-degree meridians represent the eastern and western horizon, and of course the 180 degree meridian is directly opposite Earth's view.

A full rotation of the Sun relative to Earth takes slightly less than four weeks. The bright spot appears around 120 degrees, or 30 degrees short of the eastern limb, and may represent a new sunspot group. This would be a wonderful event coinciding with the Autumnal Equinox, the first day of Fall, which starts next Tuesday afternoon (September 22) in North America.

Helioseismic readings also show an active region in that area, at 30 degrees south latitude.

Go to http://stereo-ssc.nascom.nasa.gov/where.shtml to see the current position of the two craft relative to Earth. Eventually they will be 180 degrees relative to each other and 90 degrees relative to Earth.

Thursday's prediction shows solar flux values at 70 beginning tomorrow, September 19, and continuing through September 24, then

rising to 72 September 25-28. We haven't reported a weekly solar flux average above 70 in this bulletin since Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP020 on May 19, and prior to that there were only four more weeks above 70 in 2009.

These predictions are from NOAA and the US Air Force, which also predicts a planetary A index of 8 for September 18, and only 5 from September 19 to more than a month after.

Geophysical Institute Prague also predicts nothing but quiet geomagnetic conditions for September 18-24.

Steve Jones, N6SJ of Woodside, California hopes to work FT5GA, the Glorioso DXpedition. Glorioso is northwest of Madagascar in the Indian Ocean at approximately 11.5 degrees south latitude, and 47.33 degrees east longitude.

The expedition is expected to be on the air until October 5, and you can look at http://www.dxwatch.com/dxped/ft5ga/# to see who is currently working them.

>From California, this weekend Steve's best bet may be 20 meters from 2100-2330z, and possibly 1600-1700z with lower signals. If we get some sunspot activity next week, for the following weekend 20 meters looks good 1430-1930z, and then 2100-0000z. 15 meters with no sunspots looks bad for this weekend, but on the following weekend if there is more solar activity 1900-2130z looks possible. 17 meters looks very good that following weekend, (September 26) 1630-2300z.

For September 19, 40 meters is possible 0130-0300z, and the following weekend 2330-0330z, again assuming some solar activity in the days prior.

If you live in the Southeast United States, based on projections from Atlanta, your chances look much better than from the West Coast.

On both weekends from Atlanta, 40 meters looks good 2230-0230z, and 20 meters on this weekend 1930-2300z, and lasting an hour later on the next weekend. 15 meters looks promising, assuming some sunspots, 1530-1900z on the next weekend.

>From Ohio, 20 meters looks good both weekends 1900-2300z, and 40 meters 2200-0330z.

Bobby Raymer, N2BR of Cookeville, Tennessee says he enjoys working distant stations despite lack of solar activity. Running 100 watts into a vertical dipole, he usually has better luck with CW than phone. On 17 meters on September 9 he worked OJ0B on CW on Market Reef, and on September 11 using SSB he worked St. Helena Island. He said he works more stations outside the USA than stateside.

Dennis Reagin, W7KB of Vail, Arizona was running 10 watts SSB into a portable vertical antenna on September 6 and enjoyed JA0JHA, getting an S8 report, XE1REM who said he was 10 dB over S9, DL8OBQ/PJ2 in Netherlands Antilles, who gave him an S6 report. He notes he is having fun and working distant stations with no sunspots, low power, patience and persistence.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for September 10 through 16 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 69.3, 69.3, 69, 69.1, 69, 69.2, and 68.8 with a mean of 69.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 4, 4, 6, 5, 5 and 6 with a mean of 4.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 2, 1, 4, 4, 4 and 5 with a mean of 3.1.
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10873. Re: On DXing FT5GA and others

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Date: 2009-09-18 14:26:12 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10870 Message: 10873

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10874. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 14:47:36 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10820 Message: 10874

There is also the CQ magazine DX marathon where your score is based on the number of entities and zones worked each calandar year. I am pretty sure that no one had worked FR/g this year before this past week.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Fri, 9/18/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, September 18, 2009, 5:42 AM

My first reaction was "Geez! That's certainly a long answer!"

My second reaction was that this should be one of the short chapters in your book! I think your response provides an excellent view into the mindset of the reasonably well-prepared DXer (at a minimum!).

I also remember a year or two back, Paul, VE1DX, made a comment about jumping in to work something he didn't need - "I just couldn't help myself!" There's something about the thrill of jumping in when there's a pileup.

I need FT5GA for an all-time new one so I'll be in there whether Al is in there or not!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@.. .> wrote:
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> "Why were you in the 20 meter CW pileup if you didn't need them on 20 meters? I was in that pileup, I need it on 20 meters, and I didn't work them. If all the DX'ers that had them on 20 meters would QRX, maybe some of us who need them on 20 meters could work them."
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> He's allowed to bust the pileup and work a rare one just because he wants to.
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> Besides, one person doesn't make or break your chances. That's not how pileups work. Your job usually is to get through a mass of callers that will be rather large no matter who in particular is in it. Trust me, most of the people in the pileup need FR/G on 20m, because most of the people in the pileup need FR/G, period. Don't blame DXers who just like to work DX when it comes up for the fact that you haven't worked that particular DX.
>
> It's bad form to work the *same expedition* over and over and over again on the same band, but none of us have to consult our tally every time we feel like calling a rare one. If FT5GA comes in here on 15m I'll work 'em even though I've worked FR/G on 15m. Why the heck not? I don't even really care about the awards. I don't even have a card for my FR/G contact (time will tell if I regret this, but I should have plenty of time when I get back from the shore here to work FT5GA)

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> But I worked Glorioso years ago and didn't bother with the card because I liked DXing, I liked DXCC counters as a way to track my own progress, and didn't so much care about confirmations. There's this island, see, and very rarely is anyone there with a radio. I want to contact such places, and the mere fact that I'm in a pileup proves I don't entirely care whether I'm "stealing someone else's chance." Plus, I want to contact the rarest places even if it's a repeat.
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> There have been times when I'd wished I'd reached the DX before the hordes set in, where I cursed the pileup, but I can't imagine very many where I *probably* could have got through if only the pileup was 10% to 20% smaller, and certainly very few cases where I would have got through if not for one single ham.
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> Honestly, most of the pileups I've failed to get through were one of a few things:
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> First possibility: I was too weak, period. Had I been the only one, the DX would have CQed in my face. BS7H was *probably* one of these, with my 100W and Moxon and 30 minutes of hearing them clearly one day. TX5C on 160m was a CONFIRMED one of these. I *almost* made it, they stuck with me very tenaciously but in the end I could not get across that I was N3OX not N3MX.
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> Second possibility: I was insufficiently motivated. Even if you're on a roll, in a rhythm, and understand the pileup, it can take a long time to get through. It's even worse if you're NOT on a roll and in a rhythm. I walked away from a couple of pileups on the first Swains Island expedition because they were so diffuse across 50kHz of band that I was hopeless and just not having any fun. I almost wore my dial out trying to find the correct frequency where they were listening. This was an all time new one and I just gave up. Wasn't worth it, I'd get 'em later. I did, on 17m instead of 20m.
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> Third possibility: The DX wasn't on long enough, and/or I screwed up. There's a probability per unit time that N3OX is going to get through a massive pile. I'm not the strongest in the bunch for sure, but I feel like I do pretty well overall (I usually have fun doing it and don't give up so I can't be too frustrated on average). But as a smaller station, I'm not going to dominate the pileup in a way that I can just tune in, key up, and be done. I missed JD1BMM for an all time new the other night because of this... well, that and the fact that I forgot JD1BMM was on Minami-Toroshima at first, so Possibility #2 made me lackluster for a while.
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> But once I started calling in earnest, it was about 15 minutes before JD1BMM went QRT. Another half hour and I bet I would have been in the log, but I just didn't have enough chances and a simplex SSB pileup doesn't allow much trickery.
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> Now, in this third situation, it is possible that ONE ham could have "taken my slot," but that's it. However, I wasted a bunch of opportunities beforehand. I was ill prepared. Had I been thinking clearly about JD1BMM and the fact that I still need M-T for a new one, I would have had a DXLab SpotCollector alert set and I would have been scouring the AA contest from the first time I realized he was in the contest. I wouldn't have waited, not only until the spot went out, but long after while I looked for "other things I needed" down on much easier to work 20m CW thinking that JD1BMM was on Ogasawara. It wasn't really my slot to have, now was it?

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> The way I see it, from the perspective of a smaller station who rarely misses a band slot I try for out of a big DXPedition, getting through the pileup has very little to do with going head-to-head with *anyone*. If you do that in many cases, you're doing it wrong :-) Unless you're MASSIVELY louder than everyone, you need your call to ring out relatively in the clear to get through the pileup. Most of the big ones I bust, at least on CW, I do by putting myself on a frequency where I know the DX listens but currently doesn't have any other callers that I can hear. If I have to call on the same frequency as others, I work on my timing. Ideally, I don't compete with anyone... I go around or through, not over the top How can someone steal my slot then?
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10875. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 14:50:01 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10820 Message: 10875

--- On Fri, 9/18/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

< the island is run by the French army and they apparently have tight
< security and strict rules.

But not much bite behind their bark.

73s John AA5JG

10876. RE: [DX-IS] Re: On DXing FT5GA and others

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 14:58:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10870 Message: 10876

Interesting comments, Art. I'm responding to all the posts overnight in this one.

I had the great pleasure of spending quite some time with Roger, G3SXW, at this year's Maritime DX Forum in Halifax, NS. Not only is he a fine person, droll, quick to respond (like his operating) and an all round nice guy, but I earned more respect for his operating abilities which I have encountered countless times. Although I'm sure he'll deny it, we had a bit of fun together back in August.

Ron, ZL1AMO, stayed with me when I lived in St. Catharines, ON and was operating as VE3FRA back in the late 70s or early 80s, and he was similarly a fine gentleman. San, K5YY, I have met on a few occasions at Dayton and concur with you about his personality. I've not had any personal contact with the others you mentioned but have encountered them on the air. Among the people for whom I had a great deal of respect was Jim, VK9NS. We'd met on the air, at Dayton, and while I published DX Report back in the 80s, he called me in the middle of the night every week, prior to my publishing date and gave me scads of current and useful DX information for the bulletin. While my then-wife wasn't particularly pleased with the middle-of-the-night calls, I judiciously took notes and deciphered them the next morning before heading off to work.

On the conditions you mentioned on Glorioso, I did know about the French bureaucracy and its connection with the operation. However, in the lateness of the evening and my desire to get to bed, I had overlooked that encumbrance. And I certainly hope that you are right in your prediction that the operation will improve as the days go on.

My nemesis these days seems to be 4W6AL. I have been looking for him and have only "heard" him once in over two weeks. I check the spots daily and see none from the northeast of NA, and scant few from farther south. Lots of spots from EU indicating an excellent signal there but nada from here.

Finally, on my two DXpeditions -- to CY9DXX and to CY0DXX -- in the late 80s, I did the bulk of the CW operating and was knocking 'em off at 3/minute on average and 5/minute at peak. Sadly, I can't do that any more. Age and my health have slowed me down and I find that I no longer have the stamina to sit in the chair for more than a few hours and often considerably less. Propagation plays a role, obviously, but I seem to have lost my edge and my general interest in operating. I like to think that all the meds I'm on have caused late-stage ADD :-).

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Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
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Yahoo! Groups Links

10877. Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 15:14:42 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10820 Message: 10877

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Date: 2009-09-18 15:28:19 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10820 Message: 10878

Hey Dan,

By this reasoning, I SHOULD BE CALLED FIRST by the next P5 operation because of the unfortunate (and ironically, somewhat funny) circumstances in my missing my only opportunity to work P5/4L4FN when I could hear him S-9 on 15M. I like your idea. It will be a cinch to get the last one I need to in my climb back to the top of the HR (where I was perched for many years). I'm currently at 337 confirmed with 353 overall.

Of course I'll be in the pile-up for the FT5 on every band I can hear him, both modes (CW & SSB). And I'm hoping to get one opening to 4W6 to make a single CW QSO. And I'll be in every other pile-up that interests me. If I step on your toes....ahhhh, sorrrrrrrrrry!

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of n3oxdan
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10879. Pirates

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 15:34:49 UTC
From: tm303
Topic: 10869 Message: 10879

I'd sure like to know the thrill of using a DX call to work several stations on CW. I would think that would be a lot of work for the pirate. Of course, they don't stay on the freq for hours like the real DX ops. I need FT5GA for #330. Any band/mode will do. When I worked "him" on 20 CW at 2240 UTC, I had a bad feeling that this was Slim at the key. The signal was weak and the pileup wasn't bad at all. Should have known that, when a thousand guys leave the freq, that something';s up. But, work them and check the log later. Then, work them again until you get it right. Hopefully, they will be there for the announced time period.

Our window here in the U.P. is quite narrow. It was the same with BS7 but I got them in the 18 minute window on next to the last day.

I won't even try on SSB until the end of the operation. I don't like to listen to the freq cops voices; it's bad enough on CW!

I'd have 333 countries, if I hadn't worked three Slims over the past 50 years. Unfortunately, when the three countries needed were on for an extended period, I was off the air from 1992 until P5/4L4FN came on in 2002. What a surprise to get him on 15 SSB, using my 40 meter 2 element beam on 15. Anything can happen with a little luck and sun spots!!!

Hope that all of us who worked that pathetic pirate can work the "real" FT5GA for a new one.

73,

Tom W8JWN

10880. Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 15:41:22 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10820 Message: 10880

>. But when the op specifically asks for "DL2PW" and tons of OK1, W4, >AA4, W3, etc., keep calling, what's the logic?

In my opinion, this kind of behavior is a much more serious issue than the occasional bored, skillful, and courteous DXer sniping at stuff he or she doesn't need. The logic is pretty simple. Sometimes this works. "DL2PW? 5NN DL2PW?" shuts up a large swath (the truly deserving part) of the pileup, and people have found that soft ops on the other end will sometimes switch from the partial they know they heard to a new, totally distinct one.

I guess my tirade should have included a point on this... you CAN also steal someone's QSO when there's a less hard-nosed DXPedition op by just ignoring the partial and calling in regardless. But the bored Honor Roller would never submit to such an ethical lapse.

And man, is it music to my ears when the DX op just sits there and asks over and over and over again, "DL2PW PSE AGN ONLY DL2PW BK" Gives me a warm fuzzy feeling to participate in a pileup where cheaters just can't win... and when I know that somewhere out there in pileup land, there are at least a few light bulbs going on... "ohhhh... man... when the DX says DL2P?, he REALLY means DL2P?"

I had the luck to tune into a real on air tirade from the VP6DX 160m SSB op on this point... went on for a minute on how yes, he can hear, and yes, he knows what he heard, and no a K0 is not a W7, etc. I thought it was hilarious. A little sad that he had to waste time scolding the pileup as if they were snotty children, but it was kind of worth it.

Sure, there will be true "partial confusion" on the bands. Those 160m pileups where I'm up against N4OX and K3OX at the same time are interesting (and invariably disappointing for me ;-)). And it has turned out once or twice that when the DX says "N4OX?" they actually mean me (when Jay isn't there). But it's ridiculous in a big pileup how many calls with *zero* characters in common will call for an almost-complete partial. An almost complete partial signifies that a QSO has begun, and at that point, anyone else who calls in is deliberately QRMing.

73
Dan

10881. Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 15:50:02 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10820 Message: 10881

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>because of the unfortunate (and ironically, somewhat funny) >circumstances
>in my missing my only opportunity to work P5/4L4FN

Just to be sure, petition for the DX to go in order by number and suffix starting with 1AA.

>And I'll be in every other pile-up that interests me. If I
>step on your toes....ahhhh, sorrrrrrrrrry!

And if *I* beat *you*, don't be too upset that this puny little non Honor Roller snuck past your Ivory Antenna Tower ;-)

You don't have to worry for a few more days... at the beach, no radio :-)

73
Dan

10882. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 15:55:22 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10820 Message: 10882

One day, Dan, I'll tell you the story of the P5.

Enjoy the beach. Too chilly today for that up this way -- right now it is just 52F and perhaps will go up to 66.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of n3oxdan
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 12:50 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

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10883. [425ENG] 425 DX News #959

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 15:56:57 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10883 Message: 10883

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3W - The 3W6C team members are starting to make the extensive preparations necessary for the 10-18 April 2010 DXpedition [425DXN 948] to Con Co (AS-185), Vietnam. A large group of operators will be running four stations 24 hours a day, with a target of 60,000 QSOs on as many different bands as possible, including 160 and 80 metres. Such an extensive operation requires considerable financial resources, and fund raising has just started. Detailed information on how contribute to the expedition can be found at www.3w6c.qrv.ch [TNX HB9DST]
7Q - Barrie, G4AHK will operate holiday style as 7Q7BJ while travelling around Malawi, from 23 September through 12 October. He plans to focus on 160, 80 and 40 metres. QSL via G4AHK. [TNX The Daily DX]
9M6 - Steve, 9M6DXX, will operate (SSB only) as 9M8Z from Sarawak, East Malaysia (OC-088) on 22-26 October, including a SOAB HP unassisted entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest. QSL via M0URX direct, bureau or LoTW (see www.m0urx.com for details on e-mailing requests for bureau cards). [TNX 9M6DXX]
9M6 - Steve, 9M6DXX, and John, 9M6XRO will be active from Pulau Labuan (OC-133) on 6-8 November (and possibly for one or two hours from 00.00 UTC on 9 November). Look for 9M6DXX/p on 10-80 metres SSB, and for 9M6XRO/p on 10-160 metres CW and RTTY. They will be using linearamplifiers to a multi-band vertical and a 160m inverted-L, both mounted very close to the ocean. They hope it will be possible to operate on 160m CW at the same time as SSB on the other bands. QSL both 9M6DXX/p and 9M6XRO/p via M0URX, direct or bureau or LoTW. [TNX 9M6DXX]
A4 - San/A45WH (VU2CEO) and Manoj/VU2MCJ, along with a couple of SWLs, will be active as A45WH/p from Masirah Island (AS-014) on 22-24 September. Expect activity on 160, 80, 40, 30 and 20 metres CW, SSB and didgital modes. QSL direct to A45WH. [TNX The Daily DX]
C3 - A large group of operators from Spain will participate in the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest as C37URE from Andorra. This operation is a joint effort between the two IARU societies of Andorra (URA) and

Spain (URE) in celebration of URE's 60th anniversary. QSL via EA4URE, direct or bureau. Further information at http://c37ure.ure.es/
C9 - Marco, IK1RAE says he will be active as C91VM from Mozambique on 5-23 October. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres running 100 watts into a vertical antenna. Side trips to one or more IOTA groups (AF-061, AF-066, AF-072, AF-088) are also being planned. QSL direct only, as proceeds will be donated to charity project in the village of Malangute (QSLling policy details to be announced on qrz.com under C91VM).
ET - Jim, WU0I is a US Foreign Service Officer presently stationed in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. He expects to be QRV as ET3JD by about October, and to operate PSK31 and possibly RTTY (for contests mostly), SSB and CW ("my CW is pretty rusty", he says, "so please be patient with me!"). He will try to get on 40, 20 and 15 metres, plus 30 and 17 metres, using home-made wire antennas. QSL direct to Jim DeLoach, 2030 Addis Ababa Place, Dulles VA 20189-2030, USA (please indicate if you would like his card to come via U.S. mail or Ethiopian mail; no preference stated means he will use whichever is cheapest for your QTH). Bookmark http://www.deloach.net/ET3JD.html for updates. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
G - The Bittern DX Group will operate special event station GB2TX on 19-20 September as part of "Transmission 2009" to raise money for the British Wireless for the Blind Fund (http://www.blind.org.uk/). QSL via M0CNP. [TNX VA3RJ]
G - Kevan, 2E0WMG will be active from St. Agnes, Scilly Isles (EU-011) on 22-23 September. He will operate SSB only on 80, 40 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX K1XN]
KL - Hugh, K6HFA says he will try to be active as K7A from a few islands in Alaska between 21 September and 5 October. IOTA groups mentioned include NA-236 (new one), NA-222, NA-216 and NA-087. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 20, 30 and 40 metres. QSL via K6HFA, direct or bureau (direct QSLling policy at qrz.com). [TNX www.islandchaser.com]
OD - The Radio Amateurs of Lebanon (RAL) will be operating special event station OD5F for the duration of the 6th Francophone Games, which will be held in Beirut from 27 September to 6 October. QSLs will be handled by the RAL QSL bureau. [TNX IARU]
PA - Special callsign PA08DWN will be aired on CW on 2-3 October during the annual Furieade maritime event at Maassluis, near Rotterdam. Operations will take place from the radio shack of the "Elbe", a tugboat that is being restorated to serve as a museumship. QSL via PA3ALM. [TNX PA9HR]
PJ5 - Dave, AH6HY will be active as PJ5/AH6HY from St Eustatius (NA-145) from 26 September to 1 October. He will operate holiday style on 10-40 metres, mainly SSB with some CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
SP - Kris, SP6DVP (SO6V) has been grated permission to operate as SN40DVP until 30 November to celebrate his 40th anniversary in amateur radio. QSL via SP6DVP, direct or bureau. [TNX SP6DVP]

SP - Special event stations SN2009B, SN2009EM, SN2009K, SN2009L and SN2009W will be active from Poland from 25 September to 4 October for the Women's Volleyball European Championship. On-line logs and details on the relevant award can be found at http://www.sq7mzh.pl/
SV - A group of 8 operators will be active on the HF bands SSB, CW and RTTY as SY2G from Mount Paiko on 19-21 September for the International Day of Peace. QSL via SV2JAO (direct only). [TNX SV2LZX]
T7 - Gerd/DJ5TT, Thomas/DK9FEC, Peter/DL1FX and Rainer/DL1ZBO will be active as T70A from from the radio club of San Marino's IARU Society (http://www.arrsm.org/) on 24-27 September. They will operate CW, SSB and various digital modes on 80-10 metres, anche will participate in the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]
V2 - Bud, AA3B will be active as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) between 26 November and 1 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. This will be an all CW operation on the contest HF bands only. QSL via AA3B. [TNX AA3B]
VP8_sg - Lars, MM0DWF (www.lars-boehme.de/vp8dif/index.html) will be working again at Husvik, South Georgia (AN-007) between early October and mid November. He expects to operate again as VP8DIF during his limited spare time, running 100 watts to a G5RV on RTTY, CW and SSB (in that order). QSL via DJ9ZB, direct or bureau. [TNX G4DYO]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Hrane, YT1AD and Miki, YU1DW will be travelling to a few Pacific islands between 30 September and 8 October as follows:
30 September-1 October KH8/N9YU (QSL via YT1AD) American Samoa
2-3 October 5W8A (YT1AD) and 5W0DW (YU1DW) Samoa
4-6 October 3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW) Fiji
6-8 October T30M (YT1AD) and T30W (YU1DW) Western Kiribati
The main reason for this trip is to prepare all necessary documents for the expedition to T31,ZK3 and FW8 in September-October 2010 (www.yt1ad.info/t31) [TNX YT3W]

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FT5GA ---> The first batch of QSOs (1049 contacts made between 06.04.23 UTC on 15 September and 02.04.40 UTC on the 17th) has been uploaded to http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA

KP2 QSL BUREAU ---> The ARRL US Virgin Islands Incoming QSL Bureau's new address is: Virgin Islands QSL Bureau, P.O. Box 25782, Christiansted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands 00824. Comments or questions on this bureau's operation may be directed to Ann Keegan, KP2YL (kp2yl@...). [TNX NC1L]

PIRATE ---> Toze, CT1GFK reports that a large number of stations (many of them from France and Italy) worked a pirated 4W6AL on 20 metres SSB on 12 September, while the genuine 4W6AL only made 4 QSOs. Check the log (http://algarvedx.com) before sending your QSL.

PIRATE ---> "I'm sorry to have to inform you that the activity on 20 metres CW earlier this month by a station signing ZF2NT was a pirate operation", Phil/G3SWH says. "Bruce is still in California".

QSL 9M2MRS ---> Rich, 9M2MRS (PA0RRS) reports that his incoming mail is being tampered with and green stamps are being stolen. Direct QSL requests should be sent to his address in the Netherlands (R.W.L. Smeets, Schoorveken 100, 5121 NM Rijen, The Netherlands). [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

SURINAME ---> Ramon, PZ5RA is sorry to be no longer able to help visiting amateurs to get a licence, which he has done for ten years. He will try to have a licence permanently issued for guests to use (http://dxholiday.com/sa/pz.htm), but those who want an individual licence will have to apply direct to TAS (Telecommunications Authority Suriname). [TNX PZ5RA]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Gianfranco Chiodi (I0CHF), Valerij P. Radashkevich (RU9WM), F. Martin Hankins (W5HTY) and Vincent Mattera (WB2AAP).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2AG/p, 3DA0EL, 3V9A, 4T6I, 5B4/AJ2O, 5B4/R3CC, 5B4AII, 5H3VMB, 5J0BV, 5K0T, 5K5T (SA-017), 6H1IM, 6W6JX, 7O1YGF, 7P8CF, 7P8R, 7Q7CE, 7Q7SI, 7Z1SJ, 9J2VB, 9V1YC, A35XR, A35ZS, A45XR, A61Q, BD1HFP/2, C6AGU, CE2/K0MD, CO8LY, D4C, E73M, EA8CQS, EA9/KH0AM, ER4DX, ES1WW, ET3JA, FT5YI, FW5ZL, H44MY, HC7AE, HU1M, HZ1FS/p, J39BS, JD1BLY, JD1BMH, JT1CO, JY4NE, JY8YV, K5D, KG6DX, KP4MS, LY0HQ, N3DXX/6Y5, OH0E, OJ0B, OJ0J, PV8ADI, PX6B (SA-080), PX6T (SA-080), PX8M (SA-041), PZ5RA, R1ANR, R7HQ, RW2F, S79NS, SV2ASP/A, T30XX, T31DX, T77NM, TC4X, TG9NX, TK/I4GAD, TL0A, TM5EL (EU-094), TN5SN, TO3R, UA0IDZ/p (AS-059), UA9ZZ, V51AS, V63TO, V85SS, VC8B, VI2BV90, VK9GMW, VK9WWI, VP8YLG, VP9/VE3DZ, VQ9JC, VR10XMT, VR2008O, VR2009EAG, VR2XMT, VU7RG, XE2PEA, YJ0AWG, YL2BJ, Z21SI, Z29KM, ZS1REC, ZX8A (SA-016), ZY0F.

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10884. Re: [DX-IS] Re: On DXing FT5GA and others

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 16:04:03 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10870 Message: 10884

--- On Fri, 9/18/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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73s John AA5JG

10885. RE: [DX-IS] Re: On DXing FT5GA and others

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 16:11:29 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10870 Message: 10885

Point well taken.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 1:04 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: On DXing FT5GA and others

--- On Fri, 9/18/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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10886. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso QRM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 16:20:39 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10820 Message: 10886

At 07:50 AM 9/18/2009, John Geiger wrote:
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>--- On Fri, 9/18/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:
>
>< the island is run by the French army and they apparently have tight
>< security and strict rules.
>
>But not much bite behind their bark.

Perhaps, but I wouldn't want to be the one to piss off the wrong one
at the wrong time. The entire operation could be shut down in a
heartbeat as we have witnessed with a handful of others over the years.

Everyone play nice...at least until I get them confirmed on SOMETHING! :)

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

10887. [425ENG] 425 DX News #959 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 16:32:56 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 10887 Message: 10887

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10888. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-18 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10888

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 18 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 261 Issued at 2200Z on 18 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 17/2100Z
to 18/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 17/2100Z to 18/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet with an isolated period
of unsettled conditions from 0000Z-03000Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain at quiet levels for the next three days (19-21
September).
III. Event Probabilities 19 Sep-21 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 18 Sep 069
Predicted 19 Sep-21 Sep 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 18 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 17 Sep 006/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 18 Sep 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 19 Sep-21 Sep 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 19 Sep-21 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10889. DX-pediiton pilot(s)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-19 14:18:07 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10889 Message: 10889

A question from one of the lurkers...

This may be a dumb question, but what exactly does a pilot for a DXpedition actually do?

dale

10890. Re: [DX-IS] DX-pediiton pilot(s)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-19 14:22:23 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10889 Message: 10890

I have been one,.......

NOT much !

Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Frederick
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, September 19, 2009 9:18 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] DX-pediiton pilot(s)

A question from one of the lurkers...

This may be a dumb question, but what exactly does a pilot for a DXpedition actually do?

dale

10891. DX as it relates to the Dr. Phil Show

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-19 17:42:39 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10891 Message: 10891

Bob: I know it's early in the expedition, but I want to remind you that 'NA' is not a single place. Zone 3--the West Coast--has entirely different propagation than Zones 4 and 5. To work you at most times requires taking a polar path, where signals from m Zone 3 have a difficult time competing with EU or Japan or the US/Canada East Coast.

Please try to work the West Coast at our sunrise (1300-1500 UTC) and sunset (0200-0400 UTC). Signals from Reunion Island can be quite loud at our sunrise. The TO4E Europa expedition was also very loud during our mornings on 30 and 40 meters.

It will be a real shame if--with all the enthusiasm and with NCDXF support--we West Coast operators can't work you.

Dr Phil: First of all Bob, for the life of me, I can't understand why ham radio operators are so obsessed with working some island in the middle of the ocean that most people have never heard of. Just last week, we had Danny in here with the same obsession. OK, when did this "expedition" start, and when does it end?

Bob: Well, Dr. Phil, it started on Sep 15 and ends on Oct 8.

Dr Phil: OK, this is Sep 19, so your "expedition" has been underway four days, and it will continue until Oct 8, which is nineteen days away. You said it all when the first words out of your mouth were, "I know it's early in the expedition." Before the show, I consulted with some experts on radio propagation. They advised me that the earth is divided into hundreds of areas where propagation differs at any given time. So since it is so early on in this "expedition," what makes you think your area of California is more special than other areas of the world?

Bob: Like I said, the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) helped fund this expedition. So that should be taken into consideration when these guys call CQ.

Dr. Phil: Oh, I get it. It's all about money. That means if I get a ham license, get on the air, and send the next expedition $100,000, then I should get first crack at working them.

Bob: I didn't say that Dr. Phil.

Dr. Phil: Well, that's what it sounded like to me. Now tell me this. Why did you fly in here today to be on my show, when this expedition is on the air. Aren't you missing a chance of working them if they are calling your area as we speak?

Bob: Yeah, I know Dr. Phil. I do lots of other things when expeditions are on the air. It's just I think they should be there for me when I sit down at the radio.

Dr. Phil: Yeah, I know. Me, Me, Me. This is the ME generation. Get out of here. Here's your plane ticket for the next flight to California. We'll break for a commercial and hear from another obsessed ham, Robert from Ontario, when we return.

19/09/2009 12:47 - Jasper Ontario Canada
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ve3uuh Robert J Calver (74.198.12.---) http://www.myspace.com/robcalver
This operation needs some sort of control.A set frequency plus or minus qrm,a daily schedule for operating times.The amount of bandwidth for spread is totally ridiculous.There could be times set aside for zones for NA/SA propagation appears to be best around 18:00 UTC to 23:00 UTC plus.EU, Asia, Middle East can make almost all of the time.I see stations getting frustrated at the pace thus qrming on the operators frequency.It is up to both the dxepedition operator and those trying to work it to show some self control.Stupid, ignorant comments, deliberate jamming, swearing, not listening are ruining what very slim chance many us have to work FT5GA.Even if you make contact there's no guarantee after hours of work you'll get in the log.WE all have to work harder to make FT5GA a success.Step one sensible listening spread!!

Dr. Phil: Robert, I have read the note you sent to the "DXpedition," as you call it. I also read the note you sent earlier, complaining about not appearing in their radio log.

Robert: That's right Dr. Phil, I called for four hours and three minutes, they acknowledged my call sign, and I still didn't appear in the log.

Dr. Phil: Robert, I also spoke to the Chief of Police for the Cluster and Amateur Radio bands. He advised me that you were constantly calling on the wrong frequency when the "DXpedition" was working split, or listening on a different frequency. And here you are giving the guys on the "DXpedition" advise on how to operate?

Robert: That's right Dr. Phil. He got on my case about that and I got my act together. I'm just glad I got off with a warning. But someone needs to tell those guys how to operate. I figured since I just got a tongue wagging from the Chief of Police, I had fresh knowledge of how things are suppose to be done.

Dr. Phil: I'll remember that if I get a speeding ticket. I'll stand on the side of road with a sign telling everyone to slow down. Besides, I'm the one who knows better. [Laughter from the audience] OK, now you say you worked them on Sep 17, at 2303 GMT? (For those of you who don't know, hams log their contacts in Greenwich Mean Time)

Robert: That's correct Dr. Phil.

Dr. Phil: OK, I went on the internet and looked at their logs this morning. It very plainly states that their last log entry was on Sep 17, at 0204 GMT. So If you worked them twenty one hours after they updated their logs, so how in the world do you expect your contact to show in their logs?

Robert: Duh... I didn't think about that Dr. Phil.

Dr. Phil: Here's your plane ticket. Get out of here and go back to Canada. I've had it with all you hams who have nothing better to do than whine when you don't get your way anytime you want it. We'll break for another commercial and come back with something more sensible than ham radio operators. We have a guy on who sleeps with his pig. And I'm talking about the barnyard type.

Forwarded from Dr. Phil by WB6PSY

10892. 1936 QST

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-19 18:42:13 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10892 Message: 10892

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A paper on linking of Sunspot Activity and DX

February: A Noise-Silencing I.F. Circuit by James J. Lamb

And there was a Radio Shack store in Boston in 1936, on 46 Brattle Street.

Now, if I can get him to bring in the two volumes from the 1920's.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

10893. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-19 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10893

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 19 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 262 Issued at 2200Z on 19 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred and the
solar disk continues to be void of sunspots. There are indications,
however, of a possible new active region behind the east limb based
on Stereo-B EUVI and GOES-14 SXI imagery.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. A gradual increase in background levels is expected and a
slight chance for an isolated B-class flare is anticipated as the
new region rotates onto the disk.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (20-22 September).
III. Event Probabilities 20 Sep-22 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 Sep 071
Predicted 20 Sep-22 Sep 072/074/076
90 Day Mean 19 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 Sep 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 Sep 002/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 Sep-22 Sep 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 Sep-22 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10894. Sun's gonna blow up

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-19 22:17:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10894 Message: 10894

Yikes!

Predicted 20 Sep-22 Sep 072/074/076

Get out the sunscreen and the 10M monobanders! The sun is gonna explode. 2-3 years of pressure have built up, and she's gonna let go. This is what we have been waiting for.

73, Paul VE1DX

10895. Re: [DX-IS] DX-pediiton pilot(s)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-19 22:36:56 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 10889 Message: 10895

As I recall, he is the fella that take the garbage out and piles it.

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Geoff

On Sat, Sep 19, 2009 at 11:18 AM, Dale Frederick <dale.kb5iy@...>wrote:

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> This may be a dumb question, but what exactly does a pilot for a DXpedition
> actually do?
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> dale
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>

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

10896. Re: [DX-IS] Sun's gonna blow up

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 02:46:34 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 10894 Message: 10896
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The West Coasters might hear FT5 yet!

73
Don
N1DG

At 06:17 PM 9/19/2009, you wrote:
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10897. Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 02:57:15 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10897 Message: 10897

Has anyone in Michigan heard these guys? Good enough to work? What antenna and band?

Dale K8TS

Jackson, MI

10898. Re: DX-pediiton pilot(s)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 11:01:57 UTC
From: Lee ZL2AL
Topic: 10889 Message: 10898

Hi Dale

What does a DXpedition "Pilot" do?

I have been asked about being a pilot on a few occasions and recently on the Kiwi DX List. Basically a DXpedition pilot is a "screen door" between the DXpedition team and the 50,000 ham DXers out there that want to work the DXpedition. The pilot becomes the regional collection point for complaints and accolades for the DXpedition. If the pilot didn't exist then DXers can and sometimes turn ugly. That's a fact.

DXpeditions teams try to do their best, often under the most trying circumstances and like other forms of human endeavor can sometimes fail miserably at doing their job. The worldwide DX community is often be unforgiving and that leads to some rather bizarre and appalling on air behavior to disrupt the DXpedition they have lost respect for. Believe me. It happens. The job of the pilot is to be a "sounding board" and a channel for information to and from the DXpedition team.

A typical scenario is a team working short path direct with signals 20 over nine into a region hour after hour frustrating DXers in smaller countries two or three skips away that could easily work them. In other words the DXpedition team band plan will sometimes preclude working rarer areas that really need them. Strangely, South Africa, South America and often ZL/VK suffer. If that info can get to a pilot network, the pilots can usually make the team aware that they are not taking advantage of conditions to work rarer countries. It is real time information such as that which will really help the team to do their job better.

One of the problems of DXpedition team members is that they become zombies after a few days of thousands of QSOs, screaming hams, rude behavior, outrageous pileups, poor food, crap living conditions and weather that is usually 10 degrees too hot or too cold. As a DXpeditioner it's sometimes difficult not to get depressed and lose enthusiasm and indeed get really snarky with your customers... the DX community. In fact, a week of high pressure shoveling out pileups makes you lose touch with reality. Pilots love to relay messages of congratulations and accolades to the team from the ham community as it gives them encouragement to carry on and do their job.

One of the more pleasant duties of a pilot is to pass messages to and from the team to their families and to the ham community in the form of bulletins or newsletters. It's a great job and it also means you get to know a bit of what the guys are up to and with a little luck the pilot's call may sound a bit familiar to the team in a pileup. As a pilot, I

make it my business to put ZLs in a prominent place on the table so the DXpedition team will be aware of us. It has worked very well before.

Some things pilots do NOT do.

We don't make individual skeds. We don't have access to the logs. We don't pass individual messages to individual team embers unless specifically asked to do so. We do not lose our temper when outrageous requests are emailed to us. We don't relay individual emails to the team. We try to treat all inquiries and requests equally and fairly. We try to help the DXpedition team and the hams that seek that elusive contact. It is an impossible task but rewarding when you get it right!

73, Lee ZL2AL - Pilot FT5GA and many others

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Frederick <dale.kb5iy@...> wrote:
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10899. Re: [DX-IS] 1936 QST

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 11:50:09 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10892 Message: 10899

I know you are young enough to remember 'The Olden Days'.

I remember the RS near the Boston Marketplace, do you?

DD
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Saturday, September 19, 2009 2:42 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] 1936 QST

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And there was a Radio Shack store in Boston in 1936, on
46 Brattle Street.

Now, if I can get him to bring in the two volumes from the 1920's.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

10900. Re: [DX-IS] Sun's gonna blow up

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 11:56:42 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10894 Message: 10900

Does this mean "The End is Coming?" :-) [SRI for the Fundamentalists out there]

Or, a new beginning?

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Saturday, September 19, 2009 6:17 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Sun's gonna blow up

Yikes!

Predicted 20 Sep-22 Sep 072/074/076

Get out the sunscreen and the 10M monobanders! The sun is gonna
explode. 2-3 years of pressure have built up, and she's gonna let
go. This is what we have been waiting for.

73, Paul VE1DX

10901. RE: [DX-IS] 1936 QST

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 16:26:54 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10892 Message: 10901

That is where I took the classes and test for my Novice License.
It was on Washington Street, and next door was a War Surplus store
that would be Boatanchor Heaven today !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: w1mce@...
Date: Sun, 20 Sep 2009 07:50:09 -0400
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 1936 QST

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10902. FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 19:09:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10902

One of the toughest DX QSOs ever for me but as predicted he was in at my QTH at 1847, barely readable, and peaked, as predicted started to peak by 1900. I'm in the log for 1857.

Now, with the numbers getting better, maybe there's a chance for 4W6AL.

73,

Al, VE1AL

10903. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 19:22:23 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10757 Message: 10903

Congratulations Al,
I also got lucky on 30M around 1600z on the 18th.
Have you heard anything about how to read their online log?
It shows 20M "ph" and 20M through 80M "cw" regardless of what call you
search for.

Also, the bar graph you get when clicking on best propagation for your
location.doesn't make sense (to me).

Also, their log update schedule?
The last update is the 17th at 0200.
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> Al, VE1AL
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10904. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 19:46:30 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10904

Thanks, Frank. He's gone now!! Try this url:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA#r

That may help.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:22 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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Yahoo! Groups Links

10905. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 21:06:23 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10757 Message: 10905

That's the one I've been using Al.
It shows me with qsos 20 ph 20 cw 30 cw 40cw 80cs
?
73, frank w0ecs

Alan Leith wrote:
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>
> Thanks, Frank. He's gone now!! Try this url:
> http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA#r
> <http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA#r>
>
> That may help.
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On
> Behalf Of
> Frank T Brady
> Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:22 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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10906. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 21:19:54 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10757 Message: 10906

ah...
Tried the "most wanted" tab and that showed my qso.
That 1st page for the url is wierd.
tx and 73
frank w0ecs

Alan Leith wrote:
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> Thanks, Frank. He's gone now!! Try this url:
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> <http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA#r>
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> That may help.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
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> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On
> Behalf Of
> Frank T Brady
> Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:22 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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> Congratulations Al,
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10907. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 21:29:39 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10907

Oh! Well, in that case I don't know what to tell you. Maybe someone else
can help.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Frank T Brady
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 6:06 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

That's the one I've been using Al.
It shows me with qsos 20 ph 20 cw 30 cw 40cw 80cs ?
73, frank w0ecs

Alan Leith wrote:
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> Thanks, Frank. He's gone now!! Try this url:
> http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA#r
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> That may help.
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10908. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 21:37:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10908

OK, Frank. Glad you have it under control.

I can't seem to locate that -- all I get is the list of most wanted countries.

73

Al, VE1AL

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10909. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 21:48:40 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 10757 Message: 10909

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10910. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 21:57:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10910

OK, figured it out. My 20M "QSO" was nada, not there, NIL, didn't happen, pirate!!!!!

Today's SSB contact was good and I needed it on 20M SSB. Couldn't hear a peep on 40M and didn't try 30 this afternoon. Perhaps I can get them but I'm not going to lose sleep over it.

4W6AL is one I need on CW anywhere so I'll be looking for him.

Take care, Frank.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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10911. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10911

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 20 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 263 Issued at 2200Z on 20 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
and the solar disk continues to be void of sunspots. Solar x-ray
images and Stereo B EUVI continue to indicate an active region just
on or behind the east limb although so far there have not been any
reports of the group in ground-based H-alpha imagery.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. Background levels are expected to increase gradually as the new
region rotates onto the solar disk. There is a slight chance for
isolated B-class events during the next three days (21-23
September).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 19/2100Z to 20/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (21-23 September).
III. Event Probabilities 21 Sep-23 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 20 Sep 071
Predicted 21 Sep-23 Sep 073/075/077
90 Day Mean 20 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 19 Sep 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 20 Sep 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 21 Sep-23 Sep 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 21 Sep-23 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10912. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 22:13:51 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10757 Message: 10912

Whoa! They are missing a lot of 40m cw contacts in their log.

73, Alek
VK6APK

At 03:46 AM 21/09/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

10913. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 22:42:09 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10757 Message: 10913

Likewise all these didn't happen.

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/

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<*> To change settings online go to:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/join
(Yahoo! ID required)

<*> To change settings via email:
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DX-IS-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

<*> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

10914. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 22:48:25 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10914

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7004.0

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

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0116 18 Sep Glorioso

IZ7BFR <http://www.qrz.com/db/IZ7BFR>

7004.1

<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA Tnx

qsx007.0

0101 18 Sep Glorioso

K2UMM <http://www.qrz.com/db/K2UMM>

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0044 18 Sep Glorioso

WQ7X-@ <http://www.qrz.com/db/WQ7X>

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA fb sig in

az.tks

0033 18 Sep Glorioso

KQ3F <http://www.qrz.com/db/KQ3F>

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FT5GA QSX 7008.0 Only one to

go! 0028 18

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ID1OTS <http://www.qrz.com/db/ID1OTS>

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FT5GA wow! what a signal. S0.go

home 0021 18 Sep Glorioso

UA4LY <http://www.qrz.com/db/UA4LY>

7004.0

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VE2BWL-@ <http://www.qrz.com/db/VE2BWL>

7004.0

<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

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2347 17 Sep Glorioso

VA3DX <http://www.qrz.com/db/VA3DX>

7004.0

<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA # 336 on 40 mtrs !

7006.9 2340 17

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W3LPL <http://www.qrz.com/db/W3LPL>

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N3KS <http://www.qrz.com/db/N3KS>

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

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2300 17 Sep Glorioso

N4PF <http://www.qrz.com/db/N4PF>

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

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EA1KY <http://www.qrz.com/db/EA1KY>

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W3UR <http://www.qrz.com/db/W3UR>

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2238 17 Sep Glorioso

OE6IMD <http://www.qrz.com/db/OE6IMD>

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA wkd up3 tks new

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2222 17 Sep Glorioso

VK7ZE <http://www.qrz.com/db/VK7ZE>

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA tnx

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2213 17 Sep Glorioso

F1LID-@ <http://www.qrz.com/db/F1LID>

7004.0

<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA LOG OK SIG RUBBISH

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2212 17 Sep Glorioso

PY2EL <http://www.qrz.com/db/PY2EL>

7004.0

<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA worked QSX

7005.7

2205 17 Sep Glorioso

IK5CVV <http://www.qrz.com/db/IK5CVV>

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA up2 -

tnx

2157 17 Sep Glorioso

PY7ZZ <http://www.qrz.com/db/PY7ZZ>

7003.8

<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA wkd up

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2156 17 Sep Glorioso

PP5EG <http://www.qrz.com/db/PP5EG>

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<http://www.qrz.com/db/FT5GA>

FT5GA QSX 7005.04 599 IN

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2147 17 Sep Glorioso

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peep on 40M and didn't try 30 this afternoon. Perhaps I can get them but
I'm not going to lose sleep over it.

4W6AL is one I need on CW anywhere so I'll be looking for him.

Take care, Frank.

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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

10915. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 23:12:18 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10757 Message: 10915

The other morning here, they were on 40m ssb and not moving the s
meter. For a 1/4 wave vertical and amplifier and a path of just
7300km over water, they are not putting out a big signal. Anyway, it
was right on sunrise here and VE3EJ called (by mistake) on their
frequency and he nearly blew the cans off my head. He was 20 over 9.

Conclusion: Their antennas are not working very well.

Even this morning, they were very light on 40CW.

As a matter of interest, their statistics show just 81 CW qsos on 40m
so far. I'm pretty sure they have missed some uploads.

Guess it will all work out in the end and regardless of anything
else, they are giving a lot of people a brand new one and that's what matters.

73, Alek
VK6APK

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>Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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10916. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #926

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-20 18:17:08 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 10916 Message: 10916

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 13th-September, through Sunday, 20th-September there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FR/g, FS, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T31, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZK2, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update). Jan, DJ8NK, informs OPDX this past week "all is prepared for our DXpedition to Conway Reef (3D20CR), the rigs, antennas and gear are all packed and a pre-shipment by air will leave Hamburg tomorrow (September 15th). The crew will fly out on September 24th, and we plan to start operation on October 1st." The DXpedition is still looking for sponsors. The total amount of the operation is

estimated at 64,000 USDs. For details/updates and how to donate funds
for this operation, please visit their Web page at:
http://www.conwayreef2009.de

3W, VIETNAM (Update [VERY RARE IOTA - #2]). An international group of
operators will be active as 3W6C from Con Co Island (AS-185), Vietnam,
in April 10-18th, 2010. This multi-national project, being coordinated
by Swiss ham-radio operators, consists of roughly 20 individuals including
one woman with members not only from Switzerland but also from Vietnam,
Germany, USA and Japan. Operators mentioned as of today: Team Leader
Hans-Peter/HB9BXE, Jan/DJ8NK, Hans/HB9BHW, Rene/HB9BQI, Christine/HB9BQW,
Markus/HB9DIZ, Hans-Jurg/HB9DKZ, Paul/HB9DST/AA1MI, Leo/HB9DWL, Hans-
Peter/HB9EHP, Matthias/HB9JCI, Peter/HB9PJT, Eddy/XV1X and Michal/XV9DX.
During their stay, they plan to have 4 stations on the air. Their goal
is to make contacts on as many different frequencies as possible, even on
the 80 meter and 160 meter bands, which makes this DXpedition very special.
But this goal also means that the group must transfer considerable amounts
of equipment ☐ including radios, antennas, power generators, computers,
and various ancillary supplies ☐ with them to the island. The team is
looking for sponsors (whether individuals, ham-radio clubs or commercial)
to help offset the costs. Complete details are available at:
http://www.3w6c.qrv.ch
ADDED NOTES: Con Co Island, with a land surface of just 2 square kilo-
meters, is 32 km off the central coast of Vietnam in the Gulf of Tonkin.
The island has a population of approximately 400 people. For many years
it was a restricted military zone, but today the Vietnamese government
is working to turn this idyllic location into a tourist and vacation
destination.

7Q, MALAWI. Barrie, G4AHK, will once again be active as 7Q7BJ between
September 23rd and October 12th. Activity will be on all HF bands, mainly
CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

7Q, MALAWI. Ely, IN3VZE, informs OPDX that he will be active once again
as 7Q7CE from the southwest shore of Lake Malawi from the shack of his
good friend Harry, 7Q7HB, between October 2-20th. Activity will be holiday
style with planned operations on all bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL via
his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Tony, KM0O, will be active as 9M6/KM0O during the
CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL route
TBA.

9M8, EAST MALAYSIA (IOTA Op). Steve, 9M6DXX, from the Island of Borneo
(OC-088) plans to busy from East Malaysia over next two months. Look for
Steve to be active as 9M8Z from Sarawak, East Malaysia (OC-088), between
October 22-26th. Activity will be SSB only but will also include oper-
ations in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-
Band/High-Power/Unassisted entry. QSL via LoTW, or QSL direct or by
the Bureau to M0URX (or request direct or bureau cards on-line [see
info at: http://www.m0urx.com/direct-a-bureau-instructions.html]).

In early November, Steve/9M6DXX will be joined by John/9M6XRO and the operators will activate Pulau Labuan Island (OC-133) between November 6-8th (and possibly for one or two hours on November 9th after 0000z). The callsigns and operations will be as follows:
9M6DXX/P - On 80-10 meters; SSB only.
9M6XRO/P - On 160-10 meters; CW and RTTY.
Each stations will be using amplifiers to a multi-band vertical and a 160m inverted-L, both mounted very close to the ocean. Operators hope it will be possible to operate on 160m CW at the same time as SSB on the other bands. QSL both 9M6DXX/P and 9M6XRO/P via M0URX, either direct, by the bureau or LoTW.

A5, BHUTAN. Yasuo, JA1FJJ, will be active as A52FJJ between October 8-20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He plans to use 500 watts into a G5RV antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

ALASKA IOTA OP. Hugh, K6HFA, announced that he hopes to activate the following IOTA groups:
NA-236 - (New) Sanak Islands
NA-222 - South Alaska Peninsula West Group
NA-216 - North Alaska Peninsula West Group
NA-087 - Shumagin Islands
He plans to be in the area between September 21st and October 5th. Callsign will be K7A. Activity will be on 40/30/20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via K6HFA. PLEASE NOTE (per Hugh): He states, "Due to the very high cost of transportation in this area, I will reluctantly require 3 Green Stamps, Three Dollars, for each direct QSL request for each IOTA group. This applies to all direct requests - USA and NON-USA, EXCEPT members of IREF. All others will be sent via the Bureau."

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Marco, IK1RAE, will be active as C91VM between October 5-23rd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB and running 100 watts into a vertical. Marco plans (if possible) to activate IOTA groups AF-061, AF-066, AF-072 and AF-088. QSL only direct. PLEASE NOTE: All proceeds will be donated to a charity project in the village of Malangute - check QRZ.com for the official QSL info.

CQ NEWS (CQ Announces 75th Anniversary Worked All Zones Award). The following is a news release from Richard Moseson/W2VU, Editor CQ Amateur Radio, dated September 18th: "The November, 1934, issue of [R/9] magazine announced a new operating award for radio amateurs, designed to encourage the growing popularity of contacting stations across the globe, what we know today as DXing. The award was called Worked All Zones and was to be granted for making confirmed contacts with hams in each of the 40 zones into which the world had been divided by [R/9's] editors. Today, 75 years later, [R/9] has been succeeded by [CQ] magazine and WAZ - Worked All Zones - sponsored by [CQ] since 1945, continues to be one of amateur radio's most prestigious operating awards.
In celebration of the WAZ's 75th anniversary, [CQ] magazine is announcing a limited-term 'Diamond Jubilee WAZ' award. A special certificate will

be issued to amateurs who make contacts in all 40 CQ Zones of the World between November 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010. Certificates will be numbered but there will be no endorsements. Confirmations will not be required. However, it is expected that applicants will continue to uphold amateur radio's long-standing tradition of honesty and self-regulation. Standard WAZ application fees will apply.
Complete details on the Diamond Jubilee WAZ Award will be in the October 2009 issue of [CQ] and are posted on the CQ website, <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/>, with a link from the October issue highlights page.
WAZ is the second-oldest amateur radio operating award still offered today. The only current award that is older is the International Amateur Radio Union's Worked All Continents award. The ARRL's DX Century Club (DXCC) award was introduced in 1936. To date, more than 8,600 basic WAZ awards have been issued. More information on the WAZ award program is available on the CQ website at <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/awards.html>"

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
TX3A - Chesterfield Island; 2009 Operation
T6AB - Afghanistan; 2008 and 2009 Operation
T6AF - Afghanistan; Current Operation

* Awards Branch E-mail Change. "There has been a change in one of the awards branch E-mail addresses. This address is no longer accepting E-mail: awards@...
The address has been changed to: award@...
Anyone sending an E-mail to awards@... will get a return message noting this and advising you of the new address. This address mostly affects the Worked All States awards program.
E-mail to dxcc@... and any of the other e-mail addresses that come to me are not affected by this.", 73 es DX! Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Heinz, DL7HKL, is expected to be active as EA8/DL7HKL from La Gomera Island (AF-004) until September 28th. This will be a holiday style operation on SSB with activity on 20/15/10 meters during his evening hours. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Jyrki, OH6CS, will be active as EA8/OH6CS during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-OP/Single-Band (TBA) entry. He will be in the Canary Islands (AF-004) between October 21-27th. QSL via LoTW or to his home callsign direct. Visit his Web site at: http://personal.inet.fi/cool/sierra/

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Val, RD3AF, will be active as EF8M from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969) during the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 26-27th). QSL via UA3DX.

FO8, FRENCH POLYNESIA (Update). Phil, F5PHW, who will be in Tahiti for the next two years (see OPDX.920 and OPDX.921) and active as FO8RZ, has

reported that he has installed the 160 meter kit on his HF6V antenna. It is suggested to start looking for him on 160m. Over the past week Phil has been on 40/30/20 meters CW, with some RTTY. QSL via LoTW. QSL is also 'OK' via F8BPN, either direct or via the French Ref-Union Bureau.

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). The FT5GA team is now active. The team had some antenna problems at first due to windy weather conditions and a faulty contact on a WARC Spiderbeam (which was fixed). Indications seem that all three stations are now on the air. Most stateside stations report that the FT5GA signals are very weak and propagation is not helping. Activity has been on all bands and the CW/SSB modes with some RTTY. Operations will last until October 5th, per the Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr
Bob, N6TV, has reportedly put on his Web site some propagation tables (by bands and area) calculated by Dean, N6BV, and they are available at: http://www.kkn.net/~n6tv/ft5ga_prop.pdf
QSL Manager is F5OGL: Didier Senmartin, P.O. Box 7, F-53320 LOIRON, FRANCE. Online log is available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-014. Operators San/VU2CEO (A45WH) and Manoj/VU2MCJ, along with two SWLs, will be active as A45WH/p from Masirah Island, Sultanate of Oman, between September 22-24th. Activity will be on the top bands, 40/30/20 meters. QSL via A45WH, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-050. Operators Gerry/IZ1DSH and Pasquale/IZ1MLQ will be active as IL7T from San Domino Island (IIA FG-001, MIA MI-085, WLOTA L-1284) between September 24-27th. Using two stations, they will be active on 40-10 meters CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via IZ1DSH, direct or by the Bureau. More information is available at: http://www.aritorino.it/IL7T.htm

EU-123. Ken, G0ORH, will be active as GM0ORH from Aran Island in the Scottish Coastal Islands until September 27th. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Arne/LA7WCA, Maurits/LA3XIA and John/G4ATA will be active as JW7WCA, JW3ZIA and JW/G4ATA, respectively, between October 8-13th. Activity will be on most bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL via the operator's home callsign.

K5D DVD ALMOST READY! The Desecheo video is almost ready according to the K5D Web page. The Web page reports: "Bob/K4UEE and Ed/W4ZSB will produce yet another exciting DXpedition video. In the tradition of previous video productions, the K5D Dxpedition video, entitled, 'Desecheo---so near, yet so far' will be full of exciting footage of the helicopter trips, the island from the air, camp set up and takedown, pileups you won't believe and of course an inside look into the logistics of a big DXpedition, interviews with key team members and of course, humor. The video should be ready by October 2009 and will sell for 25.00 USDs. But by ordering now you reserve an early copy of this

collectors' item at a discounted price of 22.00 USDs. As always, this includes shipping and handling." For complete details on how to order, go to: http://www.k4uee.com/dvd

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For September 21-27th)....
Sep 21 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Sep 22 AN ---------------
Sep 23 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 24 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 25 AN LN - Low Normal
Sep 26 AN-HN
Sep 27 AN-LN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe/LX2A and a team of operators will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the LX2A Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

P4, ARUBA. Marty, W2CG, will once again vacation and operate in Aruba between January 5-26th, 2010. Look for him to use a special callsign, either P40C or P40CG (awaiting approval). Activity will be primarily CW/RTTY on 80-6 meters, usually between 1200-1400z and 2000-2400z, other times as schedule permits. QSL is via the LoTW (prefers), or via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (U.S. stations, if not LoTW then SASE via CBA).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
PIRATE ALERT. The infamous "YL 40m CW Pirate", ZK3T, was active again. Operator was Tanya, on 7007 kHz at 1626z. Save your green stamps.

VC1W QSL STATUS. Nenad, VE3EXY, reports, "QSL cards received from UX5UO. Processing in progress. Check your mail boxes in the next week or two. Requests received with insufficient funds will be responded via the bureau."

VK9NI QSL STATUS. It was announced this past week that the VK9NI Norfolk Island DXpedition (July 2009) QSL cards have finally arrived. Expect to receive your cards in your mailbox soon.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5N0OCH, 5W0VK and ZK3DX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5K0T, A45XR, C6AGU, CG200I, D44AC, D44TXS, DY1C, EA9/KH0AM, EX2T, FT5YI, GB5HOD, OH/JA4JBZ, PR5D, TL0A, TM5EL, V63MY, VK0BP, VK9GMW, VP2ETN and ZC4LI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

USVI QSL BUREAU CHANGE. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, advises: "Please note the following update regarding the ARRL U.S. Virgin

Islands Incoming QSL Bureau:
For all USVI callsigns:
V.I. QSL Bureau

Virgin Islands QSL Bureau
P.O. Box 25782
Christiansted, St. Croix
U.S. Virgin Islands 00824

Comments or questions on this bureau's operation may be directed to:
Ann Keegan, KP2YL at: kp2yl@...

VC, CANADA (Special Event). Look for OPP officer Bob Cooke/VE3BDB and other current or retired uniform or civilian members of the OPP, to activate the special callsign VC3COPP between October 2-31st. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Ontario Provincial Police Force (OPP). Since its formation on October 13, 1909, the OPP has grown to become one of the largest deployed police forces in North America. Activity will be on the HF bands, possibly 6 meters, and using CW and SSB. QSL via VE3BDB only direct. Visit the special VC3COPP Web site at: http://www.qsl.net/ve3bdb/vc3copp.htm

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Operators Tom/DL2RUM (as VP2MUM), Rudi/DM2XO (as VP2MXO) and 3D20CR op Jan/DJ8NK (as VP2MNK) will operate from Montserrat between November 3-15th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns per the QRZ.com address or by the Bureau.

YM, TURKEY. Nick, LZ1NK, will be active from Asian Turkey (Zone 20) as YM3A during both the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40 or 20m) entry and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via LZ1NK. ADDED NOTE: Look for Nick as TA3/LZ1NK before each contest.

YR550, ROMANIA (Special Event). Members of the Romanian Society of Radio Amateurs will activate the special callsign YR550BU between September 18th and October 5th. According to the "Societatii Romane a Radioamatorilor" (SRR - Romanian Society of Radio Amateurs) Web page, activity is to celebrate the 550th anniversary of the first written mention of "Bucharest", the capital city of Romania. SRR states, "Bucharest was mentioned by Vlad Tepes (a.k.a "Vlad - Dracul") in a donation receipe issued at 20th of September, 1459. Vlad Tepes is the character that inspired Bram Stoker's 'Dracula'." The Romanian Society of Radio Amateurs will issue a special QSL card for this occasion. Look for activity on the HF bands, 80-10m. For more information, visit the SRR Web page at: http://www.asrr.org

YS4, EL SALVADOR. Operators Gregor/DF7OGO, Tom/K3WT, Ron/N0AT, Vlad/N0STL and Bill/W0OR will be active as YS4U during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via N0AT. Look for activity outside of the contest. Operators will be in YS-land between November 20th and December 1st.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Joe, W6VNR, will once again be active as ZF2AH from Grand Cayman Island. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL via his home callsign.

ZM2, NEW ZEALAND. Operators Lee/ZL2AL, Stan/ZL2ST, Peter/ZL2LF, John/ZL2QM, Mike/ZL2CC, Gary/ZL2IFB and Wayne/ZL2WG will be active as ZM2M from Napier, New Zealand (OC-036, also counts for WLOTA LH-0069) for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th), as a Multi-2R entry. QSL via ZL2AL, direct or by the bureau.

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10917. FT5GA Missing logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 00:35:32 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 10917 Message: 10917

Alek,

How do you know there are missing logs for 40CW and we (me included because I was not in the log for a 40 mtr contact on 18 Sept at 00:31Z) just "added a new one" to our "Worked 100 Slims Award"?

If you have good solid information that the logs are incomplete, that would be great news to a large number of Homo Sapiens Sapiens that might have worked them!

I wonder if Al VE1AL worked them around the same time?

In any case, I just re-worked them (and I bet a bunch of others might be doing the same thing) this evening because I was not in the log according to the log that was just updated today. I guess that is the "down side" of uploading logs that are incomplete!!!

Hope you are right and the logs are incomplete; that will be good news to a number of guys, gals, lids, kids, and space cadets that worked him on 40 CW!!

Dick K8ZTT

----- Original Message -----
From: Alek Petkovic
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:13 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Whoa! They are missing a lot of 40m cw contacts in their log.

73, Alek
VK6APK

At 03:46 AM 21/09/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
>Thanks, Frank. He's gone now!! Try this url:
>http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA#r
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>That may help.
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>73
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>Al, VE1AL
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>-----Original Message-----
>From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
>Frank T Brady

>Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:22 PM
>To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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>Congratulations Al,
>I also got lucky on 30M around 1600z on the 18th.
>Have you heard anything about how to read their online log?
>It shows 20M "ph" and 20M through 80M "cw" regardless of what call you
>search for.
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>Also, the bar graph you get when clicking on best propagation for your
>location.doesn't make sense (to me).
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>Also, their log update schedule?
>The last update is the 17th at 0200.
>73, frank w0ecs
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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

10918. Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 00:41:23 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10757 Message: 10918

Someone provided a URL that didn't work - that supposed log never gets updated.

Ultimately, I googled FT5GA and took the first result. There's a choice of language, then following that, an aerial photo of the island. On the left hand side of the frame there's a list of items, including "online logs." Click on that, then your call. The red squares show where they've been active (band and mode) and, if you were lucky, there will be a check mark (or two or....) identifying band and mode you worked them.

I checked this evening and the logs had been updated through sometime on the 20th.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> OK, Frank. Glad you have it under control.
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> I can't seem to locate that -- all I get is the list of most wanted
> countries.
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> Frank T Brady
> Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 6:20 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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10919. Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 00:42:58 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10757 Message: 10919

I haven't heard a peep out of the 4W either. Also, there was someone on a week or two back from the Austral Islands. I saw in the Daily DX where his operation was completed. Completed? I never heard/saw any evidence he was ever on the air - at least not from an east coast U.S. perspective!

Art - N4PJ

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> Frank T Brady
> Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 6:49 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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10920. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 00:48:46 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10757 Message: 10920

I worked FO/G3BJ in the Australs on 10104 around 0700Z on 2009-09-06. He was 559 here near Boston, and CQing away. I spotted him after our QSO, which drummed up a little business for him, but not much.

Did you set up an entity override for FO/G3BJ, Art?

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 8:43 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

I haven't heard a peep out of the 4W either. Also, there was someone on a week or two back from the Austral Islands. I saw in the Daily DX where his operation was completed. Completed? I never heard/saw any evidence he was ever on the air - at least not from an east coast U.S. perspective!

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10921. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 00:49:47 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 10757 Message: 10921

Yes, Austral Is was on. The call was FO/G3BJ and was spotted a good bit.
They were pretty active on cw. Art, I even worked them ! HI !

Al
W4ABW

10922. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 02:40:37 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10757 Message: 10922

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10923. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 02:45:25 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10757 Message: 10923

FT5GA is CQing on 1823.47 right now, listening up 4. Peaking 559 here on my RX 4-square.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ (near Boston)

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Dale Frederick
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 10:41 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

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10924. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 03:10:56 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10917 Message: 10924

Hi Dick,

I only heard one other east coast Canadian call being "worked" at the time when I made my "QSO" and when I looked at the on-line logs, neither of us was there. That's why I assume the reports of a pirate are valid.

I was able to make a solid QSO on 20 SSB on my first call this afternoon and heard, but didn't work, FT5GA on 40 CW tonight, right at my grey line.

Don't give up hope.

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard Williams
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 9:36 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Alek,

How do you know there are missing logs for 40CW and we (me included because I was not in the log for a 40 mtr contact on 18 Sept at 00:31Z) just "added a new one" to our "Worked 100 Slims Award"?

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From: Alek Petkovic <mailto:vk6apk@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:13 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Whoa! They are missing a lot of 40m cw contacts in their log.

73, Alek
VK6APK

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10925. FO/G3BJ was FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 03:05:56 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 10925

I saw many spots for FO/G3BJ and had absolutely no idea that he was on the Australs. Had I known that, I would have turned the beam and made an attempt to work him. I didn't even try to hear him. And I don't remember hearing or seeing anything about the operation and didn't need FO on any band.

I loose.

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10926. QSLing for FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 03:37:40 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10926 Message: 10926

Given the time factor for qsling and getting the IRC cashed by the manager might be better to donate online OR send cash

Depending on the large number of folks in the log and time to get cards printed let alone worked up Green Stamps may be the best choice for qsling

Michael W. Elliott
"THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE" -
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Servant to Bridgett, Collin and all my Creditors
St. Louis County Missouri

10927. Yaesu G450 rotor questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 05:40:32 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10927 Message: 10927

Thanks to the list members for the information and opinions on the CDE TR44 questions I had. I wonder how the Yaesu G450 rotor compares to it? Is the Yaesu a good rotor for small tribanders?

73s John AA5JG

10928. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 05:46:11 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10917 Message: 10928

I don't know that they are missing. I just find it incredible that
there are only 81 CW contacts on 40m in their log statistics.

If it is true, then there are many hundreds of people who worked a
slim on that band/mode.

I'll just work them again over the next few days and be done with it.

73 from stormy Perth,
Alek. VK6APK

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> >From: <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> >Frank T Brady
> >Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:22 PM
> >To: <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> >Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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10929. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 10:10:44 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10757 Message: 10929

Experienced the same "it didn't work". Got the the screen where you
enter your call and pressed go. Nothing.
There was a world map for "propagation to FT5GA" below this dialog box.
That was new.

The upshod was that I had turned enable JAVA script off in the browser
(some ongoing virus problems with redirection to bogus site). Turning
it back on and all OK. Map also disappeared.

73 de Brian/K3KO

aburkefl wrote:
> Someone provided a URL that didn't work - that supposed log never gets updated.
>
> Ultimately, I googled FT5GA and took the first result. There's a choice of language, then following that, an aerial photo of the island. On the left hand side of the frame there's a list of items, including "online logs." Click on that, then your call. The red squares show where they've been active (band and mode) and, if you were lucky, there will be a check mark (or two or....) identifying band and mode you worked them.
>
> I checked this evening and the logs had been updated through sometime on the 20th.
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>> OK, Frank. Glad you have it under control.
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>> I can't seem to locate that -- all I get is the list of most wanted
>> countries.
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>> Al, VE1AL
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>> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
>> Frank T Brady
>> Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 6:20 PM
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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>> ah...

>> Tried the "most wanted" tab and that showed my qso.
>> That 1st page for the url is wierd.
>> tx and 73
>> frank w0ecs
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>> Alan Leith wrote:
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>>> Thanks, Frank. He's gone now!! Try this url:
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10930. Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 17:19:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10930 Message: 10930

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73s John AA5JG

10931. RE: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 17:33:33 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10930 Message: 10931

John,

Yes, for several reasons. In addition to improved gain and directivity, you get the null off the back. I used a Cushcraft A3 on a roof tripod for several years, and it was much better than my ground mounted vertical for DX'ing. The peak of the roof was up 25 feet on one end and about 20 feet on the other end of the house, so the total antenna height above average terrain was about 30 feet. A friend of mine moved recently and traded his 90 foot tower for a 35 foot tower due to city code limiting tower height to 10 feet above the roof line. He is using a Bencher Skyhawk at that height with decent results. If you can leave the G5RV up and put up the tower, you get the best of both worlds.

Nelson, KU0A

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 12:20 PM
To: towertalk@contesting.com; dx-is@yahoogroups.com; okdxa@...
Subject: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

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10932. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 19:03:11 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10917 Message: 10932

That they have not appeared is proof enough for me!

BTW, a young fellow working next door to me told me today he has spent time in Freemantle and is heading soon to New Zealand for a year with his girlfriend on work visas. Also, today at lunch I met a couple, visiting Sydney, NS from Sydney, NSW. Small world!

No sign of FT5GA on any band so far today. Guess I'm way too far north. VK6ANC was S-5/8 just as I was leaving for lunch so didn't get a chance to call.

Maybe there's something to these increased numbers :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alek Petkovic
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 2:46 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

I don't know that they are missing. I just find it incredible that there are only 81 CW contacts on 40m in their log statistics.

If it is true, then there are many hundreds of people who worked a slim on that band/mode.

I'll just work them again over the next few days and be done with it.

73 from stormy Perth,
Alek. VK6APK

At 11:10 AM 21/09/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

Hi Dick,

I only heard one other east coast Canadian call being "worked" at the time when I made my "QSO" and when I looked at the on-line logs, neither of us was there. That's why I assume the reports of a pirate are valid.

I was able to make a solid QSO on 20 SSB on my first call this afternoon and heard, but didn't work, FT5GA on 40 CW tonight, right at my grey line.

Don't give up hope.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Alek,

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Hope you are right and the logs are incomplete; that will be good news to a number of guys, gals, lids, kids, and space cadets that worked him on 40 CW!!

Dick K8ZTT

----- Original Message -----

From: Alek Petkovic <mailto:vk6apk@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:13 PM

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Whoa! They are missing a lot of 40m cw contacts in their log.

73, Alek

VK6APK

At 03:46 AM 21/09/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

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10933. RE: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 19:11:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10930 Message: 10933

Nelson,

I've tried to send an e-mail to you directly on four occasions today. Every time I do, it comes back. Do you have problems there? No other e-mails have come back except yours.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Nelson Moyer
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 2:34 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

John,

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10934. Re: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 19:27:46 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10930 Message: 10934

Alright, my 2¢ worth. I worked over 200 countries on 20 metres with a HyGain TH3 on a telescoping pole with a TV rotator at a height of 28'

Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Nelson Moyer
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 10:33 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

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10935. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10935

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 21 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 264 Issued at 2200Z on 21 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 20/2100Z
to 21/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. There was one B-class
event during the past 24 hours; a B1 x-ray event at 1256Z from newly
numbered Region 1026 (S29E63). The current proximity of the region
to the limb prevented detailed analysis. The remainder of the disk
was quiet and stable.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. A slow increase in background levels is expected as Region 1026
rotates more fully into view. There is a chance for additional
isolated B-class events from Region 1026.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 20/2100Z to 21/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled during the past 24
hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled for the first day (22 September).
Predominantly quiet levels are expected for the second and third
days (23-24 September).
III. Event Probabilities 22 Sep-24 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 21 Sep 072
Predicted 22 Sep-24 Sep 074/076/077
90 Day Mean 21 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 20 Sep 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 Sep 007/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 Sep-24 Sep 007/008-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 Sep-24 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10936. Re:Yaesu G450 rotor questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 22:12:31 UTC
From: Steve
Topic: 10927 Message: 10936

John,

I have been using the G450 for 10 years to rotate a Mosley TA33jr WARC at 40'. It continues to flawlessly function.

It has been subjected to winds up to 100 mph and is inside mounted.

Steve, NU7T

P.S. 300 countries have been confirmed with this setup.

10937. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-21 22:44:15 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10917 Message: 10937

Yes, my 40m cw qso is there now and so are the rest of the ones that I know about.

VK6ANC is my club station. We have a meeting tonight. (Tuesday). I will mention your swl report. http://www.ncrg.org.au

If I walk 1km to the beach and I look south, I can just see the port cranes and stuff of Fremantle some 24km away.

Come on down and look around summer is approaching.

73, Alek. VK6APK

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>> >Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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10938. Re: [DX-IS] Yaesu G450 rotor questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 00:03:04 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10927 Message: 10938

At 02:40 AM 9/21/2009, you wrote:
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>CDE TR44 questions I had. I wonder how the Yaesu G450 rotor
>compares to it? Is the Yaesu a good rotor for small tribanders?
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Hi John,

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I'm currently turning a couple of heaver beams with more wind load. I'm using two Yaesu G-800SA rotators. They have performed flawlessly for 3-4 years. I believe that Yaesu offers a better bang for your buck that CDE (now MFJ), although the HAM-IV series are likely the most widely used rotator in NA. If you have a G450, it will turn any small tribander available. I wouldn't put a Mosley PRO series or an ObtiBeam on it, but for "normal" tribanders, you won't be disappointed.

73, Paul VE1DX

10939. Re: [DX-IS] Yaesu G450 rotor questions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 00:59:41 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10927 Message: 10939

Hi Paul,

THanks for the info and that is certainly good to hear. WIll have to think more about it.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 9/21/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Yaesu G450 rotor questions
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Monday, September 21, 2009, 7:03 PM

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10940. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 11:26:47 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10917 Message: 10940

Too bad about summer coming. But, cheer up. In about 6 months you will have a return to BEAUTIFUL winter wx.

I hate heat. I hate humidity. Heat is any ambient temperature above 70F. Humidity is any dew point above 55F.

I'm a polar bear :-)

You are welcome to come to New Hampshire. Our temp this morning is 41F. We are experiencing a heat wave for the next three days with temps in the mid to high 70s F. But next weekend we will start to have better wx with high temps for the day getting into the low 60s.

PS: I'm not sick! I don't like warm wx.

PPS: I see an increase in the SSNs for the next few days. There is hope for DX!

DD, W1MCE

----- Original Message -----
From: Alek Petkovic
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@...m
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 6:44 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Yes, my 40m cw qso is there now and so are the rest of the ones that I know about.

VK6ANC is my club station. We have a meeting tonight. (Tuesday). I will mention your swl report. http://www.ncrg.org.au

If I walk 1km to the beach and I look south, I can just see the port cranes and stuff of Fremantle some 24km away.

Come on down and look around summer is approaching.

73, Alek. VK6APK

At 03:03 AM 22/09/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

That they have not appeared is proof enough for me!

BTW, a young fellow working next door to me told me today he has spent time in Freemantle and is heading soon to New Zealand for a year with his girlfriend on work visas. Also, today at lunch I met a couple, visiting Sydney, NS from Sydney, NSW. Small world!

No sign of FT5GA on any band so far today. Guess I'm way too far north. VK6ANC was S-5/8 just as I was leaving for lunch so didn't get a chance to call.

Maybe there's something to these increased numbers :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alek Petkovic
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 2:46 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

I don't know that they are missing. I just find it incredible that there are only 81 CW contacts on 40m in their log statistics.

If it is true, then there are many hundreds of people who worked a slim on that band/mode.

I'll just work them again over the next few days and be done with it.

73 from stormy Perth,
Alek. VK6APK

At 11:10 AM 21/09/2009, Alan Leith wrote:

Hi Dick,

I only heard one other east coast Canadian call being "worked" at the time when I made my "QSO" and when I looked at the on-line logs, neither of us was there. That's why I assume the reports of a pirate are valid.

I was able to make a solid QSO on 20 SSB on my first call this afternoon and heard, but didn't work, FT5GA on 40 CW tonight, right at my grey line.

Don't give up hope.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard Williams
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 9:36 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA Missing logs

Alek,

How do you know there are missing logs for 40CW and we (me included because I was not in the log for a 40 mtr contact on 18 Sept at 00:31Z) just "added a new one" to our "Worked 100 Slims Award"?

If you have good solid information that the logs are incomplete, that would be great news to a large number of Homo Sapiens Sapiens that might have worked them!

I wonder if Al VE1AL worked them around the same time?

In any case, I just re-worked them (and I bet a bunch of others might be doing the same thing) this evening because I was not in the log according to the log that was just updated

today. I guess that is the "down side" of uploading logs that are incomplete!!!

Hope you are right and the logs are incomplete; that will be good news to a number of guys, gals, lids, kids, and space cadets that worked him on 40 CW!!

Dick K8ZTT

----- Original Message -----
From: Alek Petkovic
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 4:13 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Whoa! They are missing a lot of 40m cw contacts in their log.

73, Alek
VK6APK

At 03:46 AM 21/09/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
>Thanks, Frank. He's gone now!! Try this url:
> http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA#r
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>That may help.
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>Al, VE1AL
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10941. The 4W6AL story - Ch. XXIX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 14:10:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10941 Message: 10941

Today I didn't bother to get up for the possible 1200Z opening to 4W6AL on 20M CW. Instead I arrive in the shack at 1320 and don't hear much of anything with the beam pointed North. However, at 1331 I see a spot from SE2T on 14007.1 and go there, only to hear nothing. But YB4IR is up just one kilocycle (or kilohertz, if you prefer) and is S-3.

OK, so I start scanning the band, and go to the usual frequency of 14027. Suddenly there's a spot. But I don't hear a thing. Lots of Europeans, calling and making QSOs from up one and a jammer on 4W6ALs transmit frequency but no sign of 4W6AL.

I think I can hear something, but no, it is only some other guy who can't hear the 4W6 and the frequency cops pounce on to him and shoo him away. Still nothing on the frequency. I can hear loads of EU calling him and making QSOs up one. Nada, nuttin' and so I sit and listen to the noise tuning ever so slightly on the frequency where I know he's hiding.

Stay tuned for chapter XXX.

73

Al, VE1AL

10942. addendum to ch. XXIX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 14:28:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10942 Message: 10942

At 1427, with my beam now back on EU, YB4IR is still S3 on 14008. 4W6AL seems to have packed it in for the day.

I live in hope.

73

Al, VE1AL

10943. RE: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 14:56:13 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10930 Message: 10943

Hi Nelson,

Thanks for the info and the A3 situation you had sounds about like the setup I would have as well. I am hoping to get enough saved up for a tower in a couple of years, and was thinking of maybe just waiting until that went up if there wouldn't be enough difference between the beam and the G5RV. I ran a MA5B on the roof for a while with decent results but never really compared it to the dipole I also had up.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 9/21/09, Nelson Moyer <ku0a@...> wrote:

From: Nelson Moyer <ku0a@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, September 21, 2009, 12:33 PM

John,

Yes, for several reasons. In addition to improved gain and directivity, you get the null off the back. I used a Cushcraft A3 on a roof tripod for several years, and it was much better than my ground mounted vertical for DX'ing. The peak of the roof was up 25 feet on one end and about 20 feet on the other end of the house, so the total antenna height above average terrain was about 30 feet. A friend of mine moved recently and traded his 90 foot tower for a 35 foot tower due to city code limiting tower height to 10 feet above the roof line. He is using a Bencher Skyhawk at that height with decent results. If you can leave the G5RV up and put up the tower, you get the best of both worlds.

Nelson, KU0A

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Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 12:20 PM
To: towertalk@contestin g.com; dx-is@yahoogroups. com; okdxa@mailman. qth.net
Subject: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

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10944. Re: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 15:02:21 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10930 Message: 10944

JOHN,

maybe you should ask these guys that are giving you all the advice and bragging about all the Countries they have Worked,......

at what POINT in the cycle they worked all these COUNTRIES !

I worked about 100 on 17 meters at the low point of the cycle,
but I have a 4 element, 17 meter yagi at 85 FEET with 1500 watts.

and some of those where very HARD to hear !

for what its worth,

Joey
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From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2009 9:56 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Mini Tribanders at low heights

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 15:25:58 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10930 Message: 10945

Hey John,

There is absolutely no comparison between ANY BEAM and a vertical or G5RV on any band between 40 and 10 M (I know you love 6M but I have zero experience on that band). A beam at any height will out-perform either of those antennas at 25' and if you can find a used A-3, a Hygain Explorer or a TH-3, you'll be way better off.

I have an Explorer at 50' and it out-performs my dipole/inverted vee by many db on 20M. I've never counted the number of countries I've worked with it since I put it up in 1988, but I am HR.

The answer is simple!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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10946. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 16:04:46 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 10764 Message: 10946

Today the FT5GA had a great 12 mtr opening to the US.

I logged him as did many 4s, 5s, 2s, 3, and of course those ever loving 1s.

Thank you SOL.....now if I could only get them on 15 mtrs!!!

80 40 30 20-rtty 12. All new band or mode counters. One of 5 I need on 15, that WOULD have to be the hard one for me.

Don
N1DG

At 08:44 AM 9/16/2009, you wrote:
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>Dont dispair boys and girls. According to Spaceweather.com, there is a very large sunspot (cycle 24) making its way around the backside of the disc right now and should be earth facing by friday or saturday.
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>----- Original Message -----
>From: aburkefl
>To: <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 8:35 AM
>Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?
>
>I think it just sounds like gloom and doom because there's nothing else to talk about!
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>While the coming cycle will most likely not be as strong as in the past, the propagation experts do seem to agree that next year will see lots more 15M (consistent) openings and by 2011 we'll probably see many regular openings on 10M.
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>The guy who does the ARRL prop bulletins also does a column in the National Contest Journal. His comments there seem more positive than I've seen in quite some time. He also stated that for those who still promulgate a Maunder Minimum that experts have conclusive proof that the next cycle has already begun.
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>A couple of years from now we'll be laughing about how we thought the world was coming to an end!
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>Art - N4PJ
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>--- In <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>

wrote:
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>> Has anyone noticed that a lot of the "standard" contest stations
>> are not as active anymore, and that generally activity is down? Why
>> I am asking is that it was mentioned to me on 30M yesterday that it
>> was "A SHAME THAT MNI HVE GIVEN UP HPE."
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>> We were assaulted by the CW war, the takeover by the Internet
>> and cell phones and other wireless gadgets in the past 10-15
>> years. We are now faced with a prolonged trough in the solar
>> cycle. Perception is everything, but I *think* there is less
>> activity in the WAE contest than I've heard in previous years.
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>> Personally I am finding propagation great on 20 and lower, even
>> better than when the flux was high in many cases. 17/15/12/10 are
>> pretty much dead as one would expect, but there seem to be some great
>> openings on the lower bands. One of the more knowledgeable DXers
>> told me a week ago we are seeing great condx because the X-rays from
>> the coronal holes are causing ionization without attenuation because
>> the GMF remains unusually quiet. A silver lining we have never had
>> the chance to see before, so to speak.
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>> And we have Midway and Glorioso imminent. Bottom line, does
>> anyone know if some of the old stalwarts are packing it in because
>> the solar cycle seems stalled? That would be too bad, as there still
>> is a lot of fun to be had. On the other hand, less calling means the
>> pileups are easier to bust!
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>> 73, Paul VE1DX
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10947. An awful lot . . .

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 19:38:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10947 Message: 10947

. . . of EXTRA class Ws don't know what SPLIT means on RTTY. Sort of ruins it for those of us who do.

It's the same as on CW and SSB. You use the other VFO to transmit. Pretty straightforward when you think about it.

73, Paul VE1DX

10948. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 10948

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 22 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 265 Issued at 2200Z on 22 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 21/2100Z
to 22/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. There were two x-ray
events during the past 24 hours, a B3 at 1057Z and a B4 at 2041Z.
Both of these events originated from Region 1026 (S29E57) which has
rotated into view as a small, C-type sunspot group with a simple
beta magnetic configuration. Region 1027 (N24E31) emerged on the
disk today and appears to be a small D-type region in a simple beta
magnetic configuration.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low for the next three days (23-25 September). There is a slight
chance for an isolated C-class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (23-25 September).
III. Event Probabilities 23 Sep-25 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 22 Sep 075
Predicted 23 Sep-25 Sep 077/077/077
90 Day Mean 22 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 21 Sep 005/007
Estimated Afr/Ap 22 Sep 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 23 Sep-25 Sep 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 23 Sep-25 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/15
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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10949. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-22 22:15:34 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10764 Message: 10949

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Date: 2009-09-22 22:33:52 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10764 Message: 10950

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10951. Re: Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 01:26:47 UTC
From: Mark Lunday
Topic: 10930 Message: 10951

I second Rene's comments - I have a 20 meter hex 2 element wire yagi at 32 feet. I've got 200 countries with 100 watts worked on 20 meters on that antenna since August 2006.

Mark Lunday

WD4ELG

Hillsborough, NC - FM06kb

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10952. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Mini Tribanders at low heights

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 02:42:17 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 10930 Message: 10952

I used a Mosley TA33JR (3 elements on a 12 ft. boom) at 40 ft for several years and worked something like 250 countries. Sometimes I had to work a little harder in a pileup or wait until all the big guns worked the DX, but I usually got them. Had to buy a Mosley Classic 33 WARC to make the honor roll hi hi. Have since replaced that with a Tennadyne T10 log periodic thats flat SWR wise across all 5 bands.

Of course I made nearly 1,100 Q's from FS and PJ7 with a Buddipole in a week.

Tom, WW5L

10953. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 02:52:29 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10764 Message: 10953

Hi Paul,
I have no intention of giving up. One good contact is all I want. Hopefully, feedback from the pilots and updated propagation data fed to them will help them make decisions on when to attempt to work the west side of the continent. I know that they were down to two transceivers, which dropped them down to two stations. That this may still remain the case, I would drop the use of the data modes in that case. I am not in contact with them, obviously, and really don't know what their current situation is beyond that reported by the website. The MUF for us has not reached 17M, so it is a little frustrating when you see spots for 17M. There are another 12 or so days, so hopefully they will make adjustments and propagation will give us what is needed.

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10954. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 03:04:37 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 10764 Message: 10954

Dale

I am surprised that you western 5's have not heard him on 80 and 40. His signals on those bands have been good into CO. 12 mtrs is a different story; when he was on this morning, I heard nothing, and I am using a 7 ele mono band beam at 65 ft. Additionally, I have not heard him on 20 at all; and you would think that would be the best band to work him on.

I guess that each part of the country has its advantages to live in!!

Dick K8ZTT

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 03:21:09 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10764 Message: 10955

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 04:09:01 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10764 Message: 10956

It's interesting the times they are active and the bands they are emphasizing at those times. I remember working FR5HG/E at around 10 pm local time on 40 meters many years ago. I think that was in the winter, though. These ops seem to be QRT at that time.

The times they operate conflict with my schedule during the week. So I guess I get four shots at them - the next couple Saturdays and Sundays. Hope I can get at least one QSO.

73, Zack W9SZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 04:39:33 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 10957 Message: 10957

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10958. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA I am embrassed and question if DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 12:12:52 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10957 Message: 10958

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 12:34:09 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10959 Message: 10959

for what its worth, I dont think its Americans either, simply because YOU cant even Hear the FT5 here.

Joey
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10960. Re: [DX-IS] embrassed and question if DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 13:00:45 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 10959 Message: 10960

We don't hear the rubbish here. 99% of the time, the dx enjoys a clear frequency. The interference simply does not reach this far.

Alan talked about propagation. You have to remember that we are currently still in the mother of all lows and that makes the whole game so much harder and frustrating.

If this Glorioso expedition was happening 5 years from now, it would be a completely different scenario. All of us would have worked them 4 times over and the bad guys wouldn't even get a look in.

The guys on the island are making the best of what they have been dealt. Hearty congratulations to all of them.

73, Alek
VK6APK/VK6PY

At 08:34 PM 23/09/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:

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>Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 7:12 AM
>Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA I am embrassed and question if DX is worth it!
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>I have to disagree a bit, Bob. The intentional QRM from cops, lids, space
>cadets and otherwise deranged individuals is not confined to NA. When
>I've listened to them on 40, 30, 20 & 15 (the only bands I have been able
>to hear them on) I am willing to bet the QRM I heard was not necessarily
>from NA because on 17 & 15 I could hear no NA callers.
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>Like you, I am somewhat dismayed to listen to the nonsense generated not
>only by this particular operation but by every other operation including
>the really good ones.
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>In the case of continuing interference, it is due, in my opinion, to two
>major problems:
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>1. the operators do don't have particularly good propagation or antennas
>and are unable to take control of their pile-ups, and

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>2. the operators are unfamiliar with band propagation and spend inordinate
>time on the strongest stations.
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>There's no doubt about the failure of the FT5 operation's ability to
>satisfy the demand, to this point. There's no question that the operation
>has been given little, or no, chance to perform their untended task.
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>Many of us hams have become schoolyard bullies. And our respective
>governments, the principals in this case, have abdicated their
>responsibilities.
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>Incidentally, excellent conditions over the pole this morning with a JM7
>and BX4AD both up to S-8. However, not another Asian signal by 1210, and
>certainly no sign of 4W6AL, the reason I'm on today.
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>From: <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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>Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 1:40 AM
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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
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10961. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 13:49:36 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10764 Message: 10961

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 14:01:07 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10764 Message: 10962

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 14:21:27 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10764 Message: 10963

I am in the same boat as you Zack-just need one QSO! CW would sure be nice but I would take an SSB QSO as well. Really haven't listened much for them yet, but then they seem to be on at times that don't fit my schedule real well right now.

Oh for a MosterIR and some sunspots!

73s John AA5JG

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From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2009, 9:01 AM

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Date: 2009-09-23 14:22:42 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 10764 Message: 10964

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10965. Re: embrassed and question if DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 14:25:36 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10959 Message: 10965

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From: John Geiger
Topic: 10764 Message: 10966

Peg,

Tell Paul congrats from me! That is fantastic for 80m. What are you using for a transmit antenna on 80? I have only had that kind of immediate luck once-put up a dipole, went inside to test it, and worked TI9JJP for an all time new one back in 1993 or so. Worked him with a Heathkit SB102 to top it off.

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Date: 2009-09-23 14:41:43 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10959 Message: 10967

This morning is a typical morning for me. I heard BX4AD calling CW. Called and he came back. Someone posted him and bedlam broke out when we finished our QSO.

Heard 4W6AL not where he usually hangs out on 14027. Very difficult to get through the pile-up of EU after he was spotted on 14007. I doubt it, but will check to see if I'm in the on-line log.

JT1CO comes on 14007 and K9PPY proceeds to have a QSO. Really screwed up the frequency for a few minutes. K9PPY wasn't hearing the 4W6? Doubtful.

BD1TCC is on 14003. Huge EU pile-up so no point in wasting my time. 4W6AL is back on 14007 but now pitifully weak here so no go there either. Lots of US stations, much farther south are hearing him. Not me.

Two nights ago I worked KH7XS on 80 before going to bed and last night worked KH6MB on 40 around the same time.

Dan, I don't spend a lot of time on 80 because it is unbelievably noisy in my neighbourhood. I don't doubt your observation about "local" QRM.

All I want is one CW QSO with any 4W. I continue to live in hope.

73

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-----Original Message-----
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 14:45:26 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10959 Message: 10968

I guess I'll never understand anyone who deliberately QRM's a DX station, or anyone for that matter. I guess it's a psychosis and that's why it's not understandable behavior. It's sad, though, to think there are that many psychotic hams in our ranks.

The lid who was sending "OBAMA" on the FT5's frequency when the FT5 wasn't even around is a good example.

73, Zack W9SZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 14:50:43 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10764 Message: 10969

I'm hoping this weekend will yield at least one QSO. Now that the VHF contesting season is winding down and I'm not out prowling the shores of Lake Michigan making 10 GHz QSO's like I was last weekend, I can have more time on HF.

Three of the places I haven't yet worked are in the Middle East - A9, EP and YA. One of these years I'll work them, too. I haven't given up hope.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Sep 23, 2009 at 9:21 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@yahoo.com> wrote:

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> I am in the same boat as you Zack-just need one QSO! CW would sure be
> nice but I would take an SSB QSO as well. Really haven't listened much for
> them yet, but then they seem to be on at times that don't fit my schedule
> real well right now.
>
> Oh for a MosterIR and some sunspots!
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On *Wed, 9/23/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>* wrote:
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> From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2009, 9:01 AM
>
>
> Well, I'll take one QSO, any band or mode, for an all-time new one.
> Just hope I can make it.
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Wed, Sep 23, 2009 at 8:49 AM, Alan Leith <aleith@syd.eastlink
.ca<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=aleith@syd.eastlink.ca>
> > wrote:
>
>> I've been here every day since they've been there, Zack. I haven't
>> been able to crack the pile-ups, on the few occasions I have heard them,
>> except on 20M SSB. I have only heard them on 20M CW once and didn't make it
>> there and I fear my SSB QSO will be my only contact with them.

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>> 73
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>> Al, VE1AL
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>> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?
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>> It's interesting the times they are active and the bands they are
>> emphasizing at those times. I remember working FR5HG/E at around 10 pm local
>> time on 40 meters many years ago. I think that was in the winter,
>> though. These ops seem to be QRT at that time.
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>> The times they operate conflict with my schedule during the week. So I
>> guess I get four shots at them - the next couple Saturdays and Sundays. Hope
>> I can get at least one QSO.
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>> On Tue, Sep 22, 2009 at 10:21 PM, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@comcast.
net<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=k9ttt@...>
>> > wrote:
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>>> When's he gunna call for us in the big black hole of 8'land? and
>>> I'm sure Ø's would like to hear from him. Going in for an outpatient (sp?)
>>> operation tomorrow.... .maybe able to do some grey line on 20.
>>> Dale K8TS
>>>
>>> ----- Original Message -----
>>> From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@ve1dx.
net<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=list_dx@...>
>>> >
>>> To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.
com<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
>>> >
>>> Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2009 6:33:52 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
>>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?
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>>> At 07:15 PM 9/22/2009, you wrote:

>>>
>>> >Maybe the eastern 5's are getting contacts. Us western 5's, if we've
>>> >heard them at all on any band, have only heard whispers in the noise.
>>> >
>>> >dale
>>> >KB5IY
>>>
>>> Hi Dale,
>>>
>>> It's been easier here on the east coast, but they haven't been a
>>> slam dunk. I was one of the lucky "1s" Don referred to earlier on
>>> 12M, and it shocked me to hear *anything* on 12, let alone a FR/G
>>> station. They have not been loud on any band except 17, and I have
>>> not been able to break that in the last 3 days with a beam and a
>>> KW. Just too many others trying to get through, mostly EU. Heard a
>>> murmur on 80 tonight at out grey line but not really workable and
>>> calling for JAs only. They might do better if they concentrated
>>> their efforts on 20 SSB and 20 CW, I think, but that is easy for me
>>> to say. They might have reasons for not doing so.
>>>
>>> Hang in there because I'd have bet anything they never would
>>> have been audible on 12 given conditions. I'd say your best bet is
>>> 17 . . . today the OP was asking for west coast NA and getting quite
>>> a few W6s and W7s.
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>>> 73, Paul VE1DX
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10970. Re: [DX-IS] Re: embrassed and question if DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 14:54:07 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10959 Message: 10970

You're doing the right thing, Al. That's how I worked YK1AO on 40m CW some years ago. I knew the times he would show up and the frequencies. I kept at it night after night. He finally showed up and I was the first caller, before he got spotted on packet, and I got a QSO.

Keep trying.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Sep 23, 2009 at 9:41 AM, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

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> This morning is a typical morning for me. I heard BX4AD calling CW.
> Called and he came back. Someone posted him and bedlam broke out when we
> finished our QSO.
>
> Heard 4W6AL not where he usually hangs out on 14027. Very difficult to get
> through the pile-up of EU after he was spotted on 14007. I doubt it, but
> will check to see if I'm in the on-line log.
>
> JT1CO comes on 14007 and K9PPY proceeds to have a QSO. Really screwed up
> the frequency for a few minutes. K9PPY wasn't hearing the 4W6? Doubtful.
>
> BD1TCC is on 14003. Huge EU pile-up so no point in wasting my time. 4W6AL
> is back on 14007 but now pitifully weak here so no go there either. Lots
> of US stations, much farther south are hearing him. Not me.
>
> Two nights ago I worked KH7XS on 80 before going to bed and last night
> worked KH6MB on 40 around the same time.
>
> Dan, I don't spend a lot of time on 80 because it is unbelievably noisy in
> my neighbourhood. I don't doubt your observation about "local" QRM.
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> All I want is one CW QSO with any 4W. I continue to live in hope.
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> n3oxdan
> Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 11:26 AM
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Date: 2009-09-23 15:30:02 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10959 Message: 10971

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From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10959 Message: 10972

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73

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The lack of anonymity gives a sort of accountability. If there's no public-to-the- world cluster spot and someone intentionally QRM's the DX immediately afterward, you've got a leak. After a while, if the leak is a persistent intentional QRMer, the community will find out. If someone is on the wrong VFO, you can mention it to them usefully on the chat room, without QRMing the DX:

"HEY N3OX... VFO!"

If someone is ALWAYS on the wrong VFO, always screwing up... maybe you say "hmm, I'm not going to spot this while that stupid N3OX guy is in here, he's a big pain." It's just like if you had a DX club telephone tree in the days of yore and you noticed when you added the new guy, all sorts of problems started. Take him back off the tree, right?

The disadvantage of the "chat room spots" is that they're not in a format or sortable or whatever.

Someday I plan to try to rectify this. What I want is a "trusted spotting" network... the modern internet equivalent of the phone tree, with several tiers of "trust"

If you're tuning along 15m when the spots come up and you hear a P5, you're going to work 'em and call two, three friends. Long time DX buddies. Real friends who you know are among the true "deserving" to get a shot at this. After they work them, they'll potentially call a few of their friends, guys they know can be trusted to not screw things up. No one is going to call the "local lid" hotshot with no courtesy who doesn't care about good operating practice.

You hear an XX9... well... pretty rare, but it's no P5, so you maybe spread the word around a bit more. Maybe you want everyone in your DX club to know directly. You might still not want to tell that persistent lid, though?

You hear a YB4 ... probably worth posting for the new guys but not "sensitive information" in the sense that there's probably going to be another one up the band a bit within the hour. The lid knows? He'll be in and out quickly, who cares.

This is what I want, but in electronic, automatic format. I keep a list of "contacts" who I really trust. The most juicy, amazing spots go only to them, and it's up to them to choose if they will send it on. If it's a P5, no one is going to send it to anyone except their trusted lists, and then only after careful consideration.

Then there's the next level, where I can choose to have the spots AUTOMATICALLY spread to the next ring... friends of friends.

Or I can choose AUTOMATIC to friends of friends of friends.

The lowest level, the garden variety spots, get sent to anyone who chooses to use the system and also the public cluster.

That's what I wish the DX cluster was, and hopefully some day I can work up some software to make it happen.

73
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 16:13:13 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10959 Message: 10973

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10974. Tribanders on 12m/17m

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 16:10:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10974 Message: 10974

What is the performance of your typical 20/15/10m tribander like on 12m and 17m when you run it on those bands with a tuner? Does it show gain or loss relative to a dipole on those bands? Is the radiation pattern fairly skewed?

73s John AA5JG

10975. conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 16:19:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 4050 Message: 10975

Strange! I can hear enormous EU pile-ups all over 20M, can see spots for lots of juicy DX and I can't hear anything but the Europeans. 17 & 15, up here, are flatter than .....

Bummer :-(

73

Al, VE1AL

10976. Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 16:22:22 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10764 Message: 10976

Peg, please convey our congrats to Paul! I just barely heard them on 80, not nearly well enough to call. I was very fortunate to get them on 20 CW the first day of operation and on 20 SSB a couple of days later. Marsha was still struggling to work them when we left Florida.

We're currently semi-stranded in Jackson, MS. We are near the middle of our Mississippi River Rat County Run - putting out all 82 counties in MS for the County Hunter CW Net. The AC died in the truck on the way into Jackson last night so it's in the truck hospital. We'll continue the trip tomorrow (Thursday morning) and be back home late Saturday or early Sunday. Needless to say, working the guys on the county hunter net leaves darn little time to listen (even if we could hear them!) for the FT5GA on a mobile system!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Peg Haese KB9LIE <kb9lie@...> wrote:
>
> What Zack said. One good QSO, that's all I ask.
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> OM Paul K9OT and I were working on fixing the beverages yesterday afternoon. He came in the house to test them and got the Glorioso group on 80 CW, first call. All-time new one for him if he's in the log. Now it's my turn.
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> 73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
> FP/KB9LIE from beautiful Miquelon in July 2010 for the IARU contest
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 16:24:39 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10959 Message: 10977

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 16:26:11 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10959 Message: 10978

VK0IR went to Heard at the bottom of the sunspot cycle, further away from population areas than FT5G is, and they put up some impressive numbers. I didn't work them, though, and am still waiting to hear Heard.

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Date: 2009-09-23 16:28:06 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10959 Message: 10979

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> > DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> > > >Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 7:12 AM
> > > >Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA I am embrassed and question if DX is worth
> > it!
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> > > >
> > > >I have to disagree a bit, Bob. The intentional QRM from cops, lids,
> > space
> > > >cadets and otherwise deranged individuals is not confined to NA. When
> > > >I've listened to them on 40, 30, 20 & 15 (the only bands I have been
> > able
> > > >to hear them on) I am willing to bet the QRM I heard was not necessarily
> > > >from NA because on 17 & 15 I could hear no NA callers.
> > > >
> > > >Like you, I am somewhat dismayed to listen to the nonsense generated not
> > > >only by this particular operation but by every other operation including
> > > >the really good ones.
> > > >
> > > >In the case of continuing interference, it is due, in my opinion, to two
> > > >major problems:
> > > >
> > > >1. the operators do don't have particularly good propagation or antennas

> > > >and are unable to take control of their pile-ups, and
> > > >
> > > >2. the operators are unfamiliar with band propagation and spend
> > inordinate
> > > >time on the strongest stations.
> > > >
> > > >There's no doubt about the failure of the FT5 operation's ability to
> > > >satisfy the demand, to this point. There's no question that the
> > operation
> > > >has been given little, or no, chance to perform their untended task.
> > > >
> > > >Many of us hams have become schoolyard bullies. And our respective
> > > >governments, the principals in this case, have abdicated their
> > > >responsibilities.
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> > > >Incidentally, excellent conditions over the pole this morning with a JM7
> > > >and BX4AD both up to S-8. However, not another Asian signal by 1210, and
> > > >certainly no sign of 4W6AL, the reason I'm on today.
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> > > >[mailto:DX-IS@...m <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of
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> > > >I am losing faith in the Ham community.
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> > > >I have never experienced the level of interference that is taking place
> > > >with the FT5GA DXpedition.
> > > >
> > > >Sure it is normal and a challege for the first several days. But this is
> > > >getting out of hand. It has been a week. Why NA pirates, cops, & jammers
> > > >insist on ruining it for us in the part of the world I'll never know.
> > Also
> > > >the use of pirated calls is ridiculous. I am absoluteoly sure it was not
> > > >Dave AA6YQ who was transmitting over top of the DX on RTTY today. Yet
> > the
> > > >call was there.
> > > >
> > > >Lots of complaints about the team but not me. They have shut down
> > operation
> > > >several times for this behavior and I hope they continue.

> > > >
> > > >If anyone knows of or suspects who may be ruining this operation either
> > > >talk to them, report them, or visit them with a baseball bat.
> > > >
> > > >Hopefully I made it today but if not I'll try again...maybe.
> > > >
> > > >Bob KB1JZU
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> > > >Yahoo! Groups Links
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 17:25:07 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10959 Message: 10980

Richard;

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Dale K8TS

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From: "n3oxdan" <n3ox.dan@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 10:25:36 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Date: 2009-09-23 17:33:57 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10959 Message: 10981

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 17:46:04 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 10959 Message: 10982

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 17:55:01 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 10959 Message: 10983

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Date: 2009-09-23 17:55:08 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10984 Message: 10984

Bob,

You are wrong about that, I listen to the MM net all day long, maybe YOU didnt hear them BUT I can. that DX station KNOWS they arent going to get past that net and they KNOW its there ! they shouldnt be ON that FREQ !

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 17:59:31 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10959 Message: 10985

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And after all my bitchin' and compainin' today, and even if I didn't get 4W6AL (yet), I still got some good DX in the log.

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This is what I want, but in electronic, automatic format. I keep a list of "contacts" who I really trust. The most juicy, amazing spots go only to them, and it's up to them to choose if they will send it on. If it's a P5, no one is going to send it to anyone except their trusted lists, and then only after careful consideration.

Then there's the next level, where I can choose to have the spots AUTOMATICALLY spread to the next ring... friends of friends.

Or I can choose AUTOMATIC to friends of friends of friends.

The lowest level, the garden variety spots, get sent to anyone who chooses to use the system and also the public cluster.

That's what I wish the DX cluster was, and hopefully some day I can work up some software to make it happen.

73
Dan

10986. RE: [DX-IS] is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 18:19:34 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10984 Message: 10986

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Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 12:46 PM
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Bob

10987. RE: [DX-IS] is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 18:25:08 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10984 Message: 10987

Sorry for the typo -- "any" not "and" -- I hate that.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
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10988. Re: [DX-IS] Re: embrassed and question if DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 18:31:27 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10959 Message: 10988

I went home for lunch and listened. I didn't hear a peep from them here in Illinois. I did hear the pileup.

ZC4VJ was quite loud down on 18072.

Oh well ...

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Sep 23, 2009 at 12:55 PM, Buzz Jehle <buzz@...> wrote:

FT5GA ARE 599 ON 18078 WORKING UP ABOUT 10 IF THIS IS REAL! WORKING NA EAST TO WEST COAST. BUZZ

10989. Re: is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 18:42:41 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10984 Message: 10989

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10990. Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 19:07:01 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10990 Message: 10990

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Nelson, KU0A

10991. Re: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 19:13:51 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10990 Message: 10991

Yes, this coming weekend may be my only chance to try to work them.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Sep 23, 2009 at 2:07 PM, Nelson Moyer <ku0a@...> wrote:

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10994. Re: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 19:29:57 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 10990 Message: 10994

I doubt if they pay attention to cluster spots and besides every continent seems to be on punishment

I worked them on 40m and not called them again on that band

would like 80m and 160m but at least I got my cw mode and new band

Michael W. Elliott
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10996. Re: [DX-IS] Re: is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 20:06:14 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10984 Message: 10996

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10997. FT5GA and all that crap

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 20:08:36 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10997 Message: 10997

I have just seen a spot from an Italian complaining that FT5GA isn't working EU. Tell me this, if they aren't working Europe, for whatever reason, and they aren't working North Americans because they're angry with us, just who the devil are they working?

Plain and simple: conditions aren't particularly good and they're not doing a good job -- for whatever reason. Granted, conditions are better than they have been and we can debate until the cows come home about their operating prowess.

But, get over it. Just because you have to work damned hard to get this country on every band is no excuse for bellyaching. I finally got my 4W CW QSO today -- 25 days after I started searching for him. And yes, I complained about how hard it was along the way and I'm pleased as punch with my contact.

Now get back in to the fray and just do it.

73

Al, VE1AL

10998. Re: [DX-IS] is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 20:13:20 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 10984 Message: 10998

Yup - ME! I don't know nor do I really care. Have no use for nets or lists and don't believe any of them 'own' a frequency even tho they think they do...

Rene (new to ham radidio)
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 11:19 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] is DX is worth it!

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10999. RE: [DX-IS] is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 21:13:00 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10984 Message: 10999

I'd never even listened to the MMN until the other day when FT5GA was using the frequency and I could hear the Net Control. I did not hear any check-ins but there was a buzz of activity there that wasn't for the FT5. I just know to stay away from it and always have. Just like I don't go near the part of 20M staked out by the SSTV guys. And I don't operate in that part of the band where digital modes (other than CW, of course) are common. However, he was transmitting on 14.300 when I worked him.

I would never have thought to use a frequency that high on 20M for a DXpedition and when I saw the spot I thought "here comes trouble." But that's been the story of this Glorioso operation from the day they started to plan it all those years ago.

Like you Rene, I don't have much use for nets. However, someday you or I might need one and at least we'll know where to look.

73

Al, VE1AL

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11000. : is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 21:21:11 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11000 Message: 11000

LMAO<........

I was thinking along the same lines !

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From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 3:06 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: is DX is worth it!

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11001. Re: [DX-IS] : is DX is worth it!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 21:34:37 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11000 Message: 11001

The SSTV'ers I can understand. They need a place to conduct their activities and I'll grant them 5 kHz. Heck, I like to watch their SSTV transmissions sometimes. The MMN is also a useful resource for some. Give it some space to breathe.

Glenn Bastar ... er ... Baxter, however, is more than a bubble off the level ... more than a few bricks shy of a load ... he'd never even know there was a pileup on 14.275 because he never listens, only transmits.

73, Zack W9SZ

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joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

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11002. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11002

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 23 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 266 Issued at 2200Z on 23 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 22/2100Z
to 23/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1026 (S36E34) has
shown little change while Region 1027 (N23E21) has grown in both
white light areal coverage and sunspot count. No flares were
observed in the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. There is a slight chance for an isolated C-class event given
the two regions on the visible disk.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 22/2100Z to 23/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next two days (24-25 September).
Unsettled conditions, with isolated active levels, are expected for
day three (26 September) as a recurrent coronal hole high speed
stream becomes geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 24 Sep-26 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 Sep 077
Predicted 24 Sep-26 Sep 077/077/077
90 Day Mean 23 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 22 Sep 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 23 Sep 002/004
Predicted Afr/Ap 24 Sep-26 Sep 005/005-005/005-010/012
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 24 Sep-26 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/30
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11003. Re: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 22:15:49 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 10990 Message: 11003

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-23 23:41:34 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10990 Message: 11004

Dick,

I wrote the retribution piece at 1900 UTC, and I had to go out this afternoon and thus missed the 2000 UTC 20 meter operation. I still need 20 for a band country. Sometimes you luck out and sometimes you don't. The good news is they'll be there for another week or more. I haven't heard them well enough to call on 30, 40, or 80 yet. The East Coast wall has been formidable of those bands. I haven't listened on 15 because I already have it confirmed there. I could tell they were there on 12 yesterday, but couldn't understand phonetics. I don't expect to hear them on 10 at all. I'd be happy with RTTY on any band. The op was taking all callers on 20 RTTY yesterday during our propagation peak, then as the band started to drop out he called for NA. I heard lots of stations East of the Mississippi River get through, but not many West of the Mississippi. It would be nice to call for NA during our peak. W0s aren't going to compete very favorable with EU on 20 meter RTTY between 2000-2200 UTC. My goals for FT5GA are modest, 17, 20 and 30 for band countries and an all time new one on RTTY. With 17 worked, I still have a long way to go.

The bad behavior keeps getting worse. It's a shame that a segment of society can't express themselves adequately without resorting to profanity.

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Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.112/2390 - Release Date: 09/23/09
05:52:00

11005. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Are Hams giving up hope?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 04:05:49 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10764 Message: 11005

I am with the rest of you. Just one good one. I'd like it to be CW, but...
Looking a the latest propagation predictions between my QTH and Glorioso,
the pickings are slim. Greyline in the lower bands, and some openings on 20
and 17 but with low SNR's and they are brief. I was by the house at lunch
today, and could hear them on 20 phone. Unfortunately I facilitate a couple
of meetings right after lunch and so; I could hear them above the noise
though. I will be here at that time and the remainder of the day tomorrow
and Friday, we'll see what happens.

dale
KB5IY

On Wed, Sep 23, 2009 at 8:22 AM, Peg Haese KB9LIE <kb9lie@...> wrote:

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> What Zack said. One good QSO, that's all I ask.
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> OM Paul K9OT and I were working on fixing the beverages yesterday
> afternoon. He came in the house to test them and got the Glorioso group on
> 80 CW, first call. All-time new one for him if he's in the log. Now it's my
> turn.
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> 73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
> FP/KB9LIE from beautiful Miquelon in July 2010 for the IARU contest
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11006. FO/DL7FT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 04:20:35 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11006 Message: 11006

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Any help, if there is any to be had, would be appreciated.

Thanks and 73

Al, VE1AL

11007. Re: [DX-IS] FO/DL7FT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 05:19:40 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11006 Message: 11007

Al, try DL7CN in Berlin

gl de Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 9:20 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] FO/DL7FT

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.13.112/2390 - Release Date: 09/23/09
05:52:00

11008. Re: [DX-IS] Tribanders on 12m/17m

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 11:33:56 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 10974 Message: 11008

That's why I like LPs

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com ; antennaware@... ; towertalk@contesting.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 12:10 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Tribanders on 12m/17m

What is the performance of your typical 20/15/10m tribander like on 12m and 17m when you run it on those bands with a tuner? Does it show gain or loss relative to a dipole on those bands? Is the radiation pattern fairly skewed?

73s John AA5JG

11009. sunspots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 14:54:58 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11009 Message: 11009

those little black spots on the sun,..... are those called Sunspots ????

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II
www.w5tfw.com
www.6mt.com

Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !

John Wayne

11010. Re: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 15:34:09 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 10990 Message: 11010
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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>Nelson, KU0A
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11011. LotW problems

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 16:01:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11011 Message: 11011

For those who didn't catch it on the LoTW group, there appears to be a problem with LoTW in that it is reporting everyone's certificate as expired. Check your recent uploads (seems to have started yesterday.) Here is Norm's (W3IZ of the ARRL) response to a report of the issue:

"We are aware of the problem and our people are working on a solution.
We apologize for any inconvenience.
Please stand by."

73, Paul VE1DX

11012. RE: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 16:25:16 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10990 Message: 11012

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You can't win! And I'll be back there tomorrow!

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Don Greenbaum
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2009 12:34 PM
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11013. RE: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 16:33:20 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 10990 Message: 11013

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11014. RE: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 16:40:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10990 Message: 11014

Yep, now that you've mentioned it, I heard VO1SA and VE1NG get through. They are the same person in the same QTH. And he would have used all of the other calls he has also.

Was really surprised to hear 15 open today. It didn't last long and is now dead here. But I'll try tomorrow.

Keep an ear out for me on Midway, Don. I need several band fills like 12, 15, 17, 30, 40 CW and 80, hi. I don't have anything up for 160.

Have fun, play safe and bye for now :-). When I was a kid a local radio announcer used to sign off his morning show with that!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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11015. Re: [DX-IS] Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 16:43:39 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10990 Message: 11015

My schedule just hasn't permitted me to try to work them during the week. I couldn't hear them at all on 17 meters this AM when everyone else was saying they were S9. Oh well ...

This weekend might be my only chance at them. I'm a bit saddened that they are devoting one station to the CQWW RTTY contest. I am more interested in a CW or SSB QSO at this time than a RTTY QSO, and operating in a contest opens the door to people who have already worked them once on RTTY working them again.

Oh well ... it's only one of eight I need for the current DXCC list. If I don't get FR/G this time, maybe I will some day before I pass on to the Great Pileup In The Sky.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

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11016. Re: [DX-IS] FO/DL7FT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 18:37:19 UTC
From: OE8SOQ Helmut
Topic: 11006 Message: 11016

Hi Al,

give it a try at the German DX Foundation Group GDXF:

GDXF@...

If you not already are, you might have to register as a member.....

good luck

Helmut

DG7DXX+OE8SOQ

....soon to be 9H7DXX hopefully....

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11017. RE: [DX-IS] FO/DL7FT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 21:41:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11006 Message: 11017

Hello Helmut,

I also found out that his widow, DL7CN might still have the logs and I have written to her and sent a QSL to her address in Berlin. Do you know this to be true?

If that does not work, I will certainly try the GDXF.

Again, thanks for the information.

73

Al, VE1AL

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11018. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11018

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 24 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 267 Issued at 2200Z on 24 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1026 (S29E28)
produced a B1 x-ray flare at 24/0020Z. This region remains an
H-type spot group. Region 1027 (N24E05) continues to grow slightly
in area and spot count and remains unchanged in its magnetic beta
configuration.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. There is a slight chance for an isolated C-class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be mostly quiet for day one (25 September). Quiet to
unsettled levels, with isolated active conditions, are expected for
day two (26 September). This activity is expected due to a
recurrent coronal hole high speed stream. Quiet to unsettled
conditions are expected to return for day three (27 September).
III. Event Probabilities 25 Sep-27 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 Sep 075
Predicted 25 Sep-27 Sep 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 24 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 Sep 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 24 Sep 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 25 Sep-27 Sep 005/005-010/012-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 25 Sep-27 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/30/25
Minor storm 01/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11019. A3WS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 22:34:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11019 Message: 11019

I'm planning to put together an A3WS that has recently come in to my possession. I've had to do a few repairs on end tips and one broken trap end but otherwise the antenna is in good shape.

I have a photocopied manual and cannot see if the elements are mounted on the under side of the book or on top. The manual doesn't indicate which way they go. I assume from the few pictures I have looked at on the net that the elements go under the boom. Am I correct?

73

Al, VE1AL

11020. Re: [DX-IS] A3WS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 22:45:51 UTC
From: Tim / NOØC
Topic: 11019 Message: 11020

Yes they do, the manual clearly shows that. (bottom of page 6)

Manual available at: http://www.cushcraftamateur.com/pdffiles/A3WS.pdf

Assembled just like my A3S. They are mounted under the boom.

Good luck.

Tim, NO?C

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11021. RE: [DX-IS] A3WS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-24 23:06:42 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11019 Message: 11021

As I said, Tim, my manual was photocopied and is not clear. Thanks for confirming it.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Tim / NOØC
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2009 7:46 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11022. Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 00:48:40 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10990 Message: 11022

I suspect you meant to write "shoo in" - footwear has nuttin' to do with it!

The "perfect" dxpedition was most likely VP6DX - who on earth could complain about that one?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard Williams" <k8ztt@...> wrote:
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> Nelson,
>
> I don't know that you are correct in saying they are "boycotting" NA. I worked them on 20 mtr SSB at 2000Z and he was working a lot of NA (in fact a SA station sent a packet requesting them to listen for SA).
>
> If your QRZ com location is correct (Iowa), I would think that you would have been able to work him on 80, 40 and maybe 30 (160 is definitely "iffy"). His CW signals on 80, 40, and 30 (as well as 17) have been pretty good here in CO, so I would think he would be workable from Iowa. I will say, however, that he has been much eaiser to work on CW than SSB.
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> It is quite possible that you have not been on when he was workable; fortunately I am retired and unless my wife comes up with some activity that I cannot "weasel" out of, I can be on the air just about anytime.
>
> Additionally, I can assure you that US hams are not entirely responsible for all the QRM; the Europeans have been just as guilty, the other day when I worked him on 17 SSB he was continually "admonishing" (even to the point of using their callsign) that Italy, Poland, and a few other countires are not exacly located in NA - it is a damn shame they don't teach geography in school any more).
>
> I think we all are well aware that the timing for an operation from such a needed country (I have been active since 1961 and only had it worked and confirmed on 15 SSB and CW) was not the best. But the team has to deal with the cards they were dealt, and I believe they are doing a good job; they are certainly standing by for NA when the propagation is exceptable. They were even on 12M yesterday working the eastern half of the US; I could certainly use them on 12, but I didn't hear a peep, and I have a 7 element 12 mtr monoband beam at 66 ft. Such as be the "propagation gods"; if the conditions were like they were in the late 50's, you could work them on 10 mtrs with 1 watt bicycle mobile.
>
> Personally, I get sick and tired of listening to all the bitching and complaining about just about every DXPedition lately and how they are "doing it all wrong". If one feels that strongly about it, the easy solution is for them to organize and pull off the "perfect" DXPedition where not one station in any part of the world would take issue to the way they were running it. And just think, they would be a "shoe in" for the DXPedition of the year awarded at Dayton every year!!!

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> Dick K8ZTT
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> PS Maybe P5 would be a good choice, that would be a good one to please everybody with and remove from the top 100 most wanted.
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> In any case, don't give up hope; they are not leaving tomorrow. And now their on line logs are up to date, that should ellimilate guys working them for an "insurance" contact.
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> as an incentive to improved behavior. Let's hope the boycott is temporary.
>
> Nelson, KU0A
>

11023. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 01:03:40 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10990 Message: 11023

--- On Thu, 9/24/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

< The "perfect" dxpedition was most likely VP6DX - who on earth could
< complain about that one?

I would have to go back and look at the cluster spots but I would guess there were a few EU stations that complained about it.

73s John AA5JG

11024. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 01:26:45 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10990 Message: 11024

At 10:03 PM 9/24/2009, you wrote:

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transmit frequencies) have diminished dramatically.

There has to be a psychology Masters thesis here. Something
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Where can you find a psychology professor to explain all this
when you need one? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

11025. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 02:18:14 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10990 Message: 11025

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2009 9:27 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

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>>>I'm no psychologist, but I'll take a shot at it, Paul.

>>>Before your worked FT5GA on RTTY, the careless and intentional QRM was an impediment to your goal of getting a solid RTTY QSO before the team goes QRT, on schedule or possibly earlier. This impediment is both out of your control, and completely unnecessary. The combination of these two characteristics generates frustration that increases exponentially with each passing day, because the remaining opportunities to succeed are declining. Contrast this impediment with poor band conditions, which while equally effective at preventing QSOs aren't nearly as frustrating.

>>>Once you succeed, however, the pressure evaporates. The frustration generated by the QRM becomes a distant memory, displaced by the pleasure of succeeding in spite of tough conditions; you might even feel better about having made the QSO than you would have in the absence of the QRM.

>>>FT5GA is working down the pileups, so the overall frustration level is declining, which is reducing the intentional QRM, which makes it easier to work down the pileups -- a classic virtuous circle.

>>>Pretty soon, you'll see FT5GA spots with notes saying "begging" or "lonely".

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

11026. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 02:29:12 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 10990 Message: 11026

Dave, you'll also see spots saying

FANTASTIC OPERATION, THANKS.

From the same ops who posted the nasties.

Always happens.

Remember, the bad dxpedition is the one you didn't work.

Don
N1DG

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> Dave, AA6YQ
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11027. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 02:35:50 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10990 Message: 11027

I've already seen a few of those spots, Don. Having worked them on 160m and 80m, I certainly feel that way -- though it'd be nice if the @#$%^& cops would stay off FT5GA's frequency long enough for me to make a solid RTTY QSO, hi.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Don Greenbaum
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2009 10:29 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

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11028. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 02:44:58 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10990 Message: 11028

At 11:29 PM 9/24/2009, you wrote:
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>
>Don
>N1DG

Gee. I haven't worked Midway yet. Where are they? They should
be on when there is propagation to the east coast. I bet they are
working all JAs during my peak time. What a bunch! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

11029. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 02:50:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10990 Message: 11029

--- On Thu, 9/24/09, Dave AA6YQ <aa6yq@...> wrote:

>
> >>>Pretty soon, you'll see FT5GA spots with notes
> saying "begging" or
> "lonely".
>
>
We could only get so lucky!

73s John AA5JG

11030. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Retribution

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 02:52:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 10990 Message: 11030

At 11:35 PM 9/24/2009, you wrote:
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>80m, I certainly feel that way -- though it'd be nice if the @#$%^& cops
>would stay off FT5GA's frequency long enough for me to make a solid RTTY
>QSO, hi.
>
> 73,
>
> Dave, AA6YQ

Well, not that I doubted it, but I had to check the online log
before replying, Dave. CONGRATULATIONS on 160!

That indeed is a feat that will be hard to duplicate from
here. Long haul, not particularly efficient Top Band antennas on
their end, etc. You definitely were at the right place at the right
time and timed propagation perfectly. I'll trade you a RTTY for your
160, and throw in a 12M too! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

11031. ARLD038 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 13:01:47 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6240 Message: 11031

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CONWAY REEF, 3D2. A group of operators will be QRV as 3D20CR beginning around October 1. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with a 6-meter beacon at 50124 kHz. QSL via DJ8NK.

TIMOR-LESTE, 4W. Al, 4W6AL is QRV until October 3. Activity is mostly on 40, 30 and 20 meters. QSL via CT1GFK.

CYPRUS, 5B. Gab, HA3JB is QRV as 5B/HG3IPA until October 2. This includes being an entry in the CQ WW RTTY contest. QSL to home call.

MALAWI, 7Q. Barrie, G4AHK is QRV as 7Q7BJ until October 12. Activity is mainly on 160, 80 and 40 meters. QSL to home call.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Val, RD3AF will be QRV as EF8M from Santa Maria de Guia, IOTA AF-004, in the CQ WW RTTY contest. QSL via UA3DX.

AUSTRAL ISLANDS, FO. A group of operators will be QRV as TX5SPA from Tubuai, IOTA OC-153, from September 29 to October 12. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31 with three stations active. QSL via SP9PT.

ST. LUCIA, J6. Bill, WB5ZAM plans to be QRV as J68WI from September 28 to October 11. He will be active on all HF bands using CW and SSB. He may to be to active on 160 meters as well. QSL to home call.

DOMINICA, J7. Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG will be QRV as J79ZG near Calibishie from September 27 to October 15. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using mainly RTTY and PSK, but with some CW and SSB as well. QSL via DL7AFS.

SVALBARD, JW. Operators LA9DL, LA6VM and LA7XK will be QRV as JW5X in the SAC SSB contest from Longyearbyen, IOTA EU-026. Before and after the contest they will be QRV as JW9DL, JW6VM and JW7XK, respectively. Activity is on all HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL JW5X via LA5X and all others to home calls.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. A group of operators will be QRV as LX7I in the CQ WW RTTY Contest as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A.

LEBANON, OD. Special event station OD5F will be QRV from September 27 to October 6 from the Village Francophone at the university of Hadath during the Francophone Games. QSL via operators' instructions.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. Tomi, OH6EI will be QRV from Mariehamn as OH0Z in the SAC SSB Contest. QSL via W0MM.

MARKET REEF, OJ0. A group of operators will be QRV as OJ0B in the SAC SSB contest. In addition, they will be active as OJ0J primarily on the newer bands before the contest. QSL OJ0B via OH2BH and OJ0J via OH0RJ.

GREECE, SV. A group of operators will be QRV as SY1RY in the CQ WW RTTY contest. QSL via SV1JMO.

COSTA RICA, TI. Operators WW4LL and NP3D are QRV as TI5/home calls until September 28. Activity is on all bands using mostly RTTY with some CW and SSB. In addition, they will be entries in the CQ WW RTTY contest on 20 and 40 meters, respectively. QSL direct to home calls.

ROMANIA, YO. Special event station YR550BU is QRV until October 5 in celebration of the 550 years since the first mention in writing of the capital city of Bucharest. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters. QSL via operators' instructions.

MACEDONIA, Z3. Look for Z37M to be an entry in the CQ WW RTTY contest. QSL via bureau.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Chesterfield Island, TX3A, 2009 operation; Afghanistan, T6AB, 2008 and 2009 operations; Afghanistan, T6AF, current operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ Worldwide RTTY DX Contest, NCCC Sprint, Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest, Texas QSO Party, AGCW VHF/UHF Contest and UBA ON 6-Meter Contest are all scheduled for this weekend. The QRP Homebrewer Sprint is scheduled for September 28. The 222 MHz Fall Sprint is scheduled for September 29. Please

see September QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web
sites for details.
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11032. [425ENG] 425 DX News #960 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-25 14:42:25 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11032 Message: 11032

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11033. [425ENG] 425 DX News #960

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4W - Al, 4W6AL (CT1GPQ) will go QRT from East Timor on 27 September and return home the next day. A log search can be found at http://algarvedx.com (latest update at 15.48 UTC on 24 September). [TNX CT1GFK]
5B - 5B4AHE, 5B4MF, 5B4XF, 5B4ZN and 5B8AP will operate as homecall/p from Agios Georgios Island (AS-120) on 26 September, from around 6 UTC until around 16 UTC. They will have two stations active on 10, 15 and 20 metres SSB. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]
7Q - Once again Ely, IN3VZE will be active holiday style as 7Q7CE from Malawi on 2-20 October. He plans to operate SSB and RTTY on all bands depending on propagation. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IN3VZE]
A5 - JA1FJJ will be active as A52FJJ from Thimpu, Bhutan on 8-20 October. He plans to operate SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via JA1FJJ. [TNX NG3K]
BY - David, BA4DW will be active as BA4DW/4 from Dongxilian Island (AS-135) for 4-5 days between 1 and 8 October. He will operate holiday style on 20 metres with 100 watts and a dipole. QSL via home call. [TNX BA4DW]
I - Several operations from Italian lighthouses are scheduled to take place on 27 September for the Lighthouse Activity Special Event organized by the Strange Radio Team. Information on the event and the relevant award can be found at http://www.strangeradioteam.com
J6 - Bill, WB5ZAM will be active as J68WI from St. Lucia (NA-108) from 28 September to 11 October. He will operate SSB and CW, possibly also on 160 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
JW - Erling/LA6VM (JW6VM), Halvard/LA7XK (JW7XK) and Just/LA9DL (JW9DL) will operate CW, SSB and digital modes from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard on 26-30 September. They will participate in the SSB leg of the Scandinavian Activity Contest (SAC) as JW5X. [TNX The Daily DX]
KL - Hugh, K6HFA says that the tentative dates for his operations from Alaskan islands [425DXN 959] are as follows: until 25 September

from IOTA group NA-087, 26-30 September from NA-236 (new one),
then from NA-216 or NA-222 until 3 October. He plans to operate as
K7A on 20, 30 and 40 metres CW and SSB. QSL via K6HFA. [TNX K6HFA]
OH - Anne, OH2YL will be celebrating her 20th anniversary in amateur
radio using a special callsign (OG20YL) on 25-27 September. She
will operate CW on the HF bands. QSl via home call. [TNX OH2YL]
OH0 - Martti/OH2BH, Ville/OH2MM and Pekka/OH2TA will travel to the Aland
Islands to compete head-to-head as OG0A with the OJ0B team (see
below) in the Scandinavian Activity Contest. QSL via OH2BH. [TNX
OH2BN]
OJ0 - Pekka (OH1TV), Ilmo (OH2BO), Pertti (OH2PM) and Lars (OH0RJ) will
be active as OJ0B and OJ0J from Market Reef (EU-053) on 25-29
September, including an entry in the Scandinavian Activity Contest
on SSB as OJ0B. Most of the time from Friday evening to Monday
evening two stations will be on the air, with a focus on the low
bands, especially on 160 metres (1815 kHz). QSL OJ0B via OH2BH, QSL
OJ0J via OH0RJ [TNX The Daily DX]
PY - Jim/PY7XC, Ciro/PY7ZY, Andre/PY0FF, Renner/PY7RP, Leo/PP1CZ and
Mike/K9AJ will be active as PW6C from Coroa Vermelha (SA-062, the
8th most wanted IOTA group in South America) on 11-16 November.
They plan to run three stations 24/7 from two operating sites, and
to operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via K9AJ. Further
information can be found on the expedition's website
(http://www.pw6c.com). [TNX PY7XC]
ST - Robert, S53R is now working in Sudan and expects to be QRV
(requested call ST2X) in late September-early October. He plans to
operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSl via home call.
VE - Special event callsign VC3COPP will be activated from various
parts of the province of Ontario on 2-31 October to celebrate the
100th anniversary of the Ontario Provincial Police Force. QSL
direct to via VE3BDB. [TNX The Daily DX]
XV - The Russian team in Vietnam [425DXN 958] are facing a "crazy
typhoon" in the area of Ngu Island (XV6RRC, AS-185). The weather
forecast is bad for the next five days, and the operation has been
postponed. They are now travelling to the Cham Island (XV7RRC,
AS-162) area and see what's the weather like over there. Their
original plan also included activity from Tam Island (XV3RRC,
AS-157). Please visit http://xv6rrc.com/ for the regular updates
provided by the team through Twitter.

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Rick, AI5P will be active holiday style from four Pacific
entities during October and early November:
1-8 October FK/AI5P New Caledonia
10-18 October YJ0PX Vanuatu
22-31 October AI5P/VK9N Norfolk Island
1-6 November ZL/AI5P New Zealand
He will operate mainly CW. QSL via home call. [TNX MM0NDX]

CQ WW DX RTTY CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their
participation in this year's event (26-27 September):
ZONE CALL CATEGORY DXCC QSL VIA

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07 TI5/NP3D SOSB 40m Costa Rica W3HNK
07 TI5/WW4LL SOSB 20m Costa Rica WW4LL
08 WP4I SOSB 80m Puerto Rico W3HNK
08 ZF2SX M/? Cayman Isls K4SX
09 YV5VD M/S Venezuela EA5KB
13 LS1D M/S Argentina LW9EOC
14 C37URE M/M Andorra EA4URE
14 GB50ATG SO Wales M5AEX
14 LX7I M/2 Luxembourg LX2A
15 ES5Q M/? Estonia ES5RY
15 OM8A M/S Slovakia OM2VL
15 T70A M/? San Marino T70A
15 Z37M M/? Macedonia Z37M
16 ER0FEO SOAB LP Moldova UU0JM
20 5B/HG3IPA SO Cyprus HA3JB
20 SX5R SOAB 20m HP Dodecanese SV5DKL
20 SY1RY M/? Greece SV1JMO
28 YB0ECT SOSB 20m LP Indonesia K3AIR
33 3V8SS SOAB LP Tunisia IZ8CCW
33 EF8M Canary Isls UA3DX
39 FT5GA M/S Glorioso Isls F5OGL
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqr2009.html - good contest to you all!

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CLIPPERTON DX CLUB ---> The Clipperton DX Club (http://www.cdxc.org/) elected the following officers to serve for 2009/10: Flo/F5CWU (President), Frank/F4AJQ, Sylvain/F4EGD, Didier/F5OGL and John/F5VHQ (Vice-Presidents), Laurent/F8BBL (Treasurer), Gerard/F2JD (Assistant Treasurer), Sebastien/F8IJV (Secretary) and Laurent/F1JKJ (Assistant Secretary). [TNX F5NQL]

DIAMOND JUBILEE WAZ ---> The Worked All Zones (WAZ) award was introduced in the November 1934 issue of R/9 magazine, a predecessor of today's CQ. To celebrate the 75th anniversary of WAZ, CQ is offering a special, limited-time version of the award. The Diamond Jubilee Worked All Zones will be issued upon presentation of log extracts showing twoway contacts with each of the 40 CQ zones of the world during the period from 1 November 2009 to 31 December 2010. Details can be found at http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/DiamondWAOct09.pdf

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit: T6AB (Afghanistan, 2008-09 operation), T6AF (Afghanistan, current

operation) and TX3A (Chesterfield Islands, 2009 operation). [TNX NC1L]

FT5GA ---> The on-line log (http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA) now contains 20330 QSOs (latest QSO made at 13.56 UTC on 24 September). It has been confirmed that FT5GA is being pirated: "if your QSO is not online", F5CQ says, "it will be quite sure you have been cheated", and you had better try work them again. Bookmark http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/ for updates.

LOGS ---> A log search for Florentin, FT5WO is now up and running on the Nouvelles DX's website (http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php). [TNX F6AJA]

PIRATE ---> The station R1FJA/p, which was repeatedly spotted on the DX Cluster over the past few days, is a pirate. The genuine R1FJA is now RL3DS, and has not been active from Franz Josef Land for many years. The only station currently active from FJL is Victor, R1FJM. [TNX RZ1OM]

QSL 7P8AO ---> Pista, HA5AO has received the 7P8AO cards from the printer, and will process QSL requests as follows: first, those who donated to the charity project [425DXN 955]; second, those who QSLled direct with sufficient funds; third, those who QSLled direct with IRCs; fourth, bureau cards (including direct requests with 1 USD only). Pista has uploaded (and will upload) to LoTW the QSOs with those stations who have already sent (or will send) a donation; remaining contacts will be uploaded "at least a year later on". QSLling instructions can be found at http://ha5ao.novolab.hu/ [TNX HA0HW]

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3B8FQ K5XK HK1X EA7FTR SF6DX SM6FUD
3Z0ILQ SP5DDJ HK4CZE EA7FTR SF7WT SM7WT
3Z70IIWW SP6OPZ HR9/WQ7R AI4U SI6T SM7LZQ
3Z70OWG SP9PSB HV0A IK0FVC SI9AM SM3CVM
4L0A EA7FTR HZ1FS EA7FTR SJ6A SM6JSM
4L2M EA7FTR J28KO F6DKI SK2T SK2AT
4L4WW EA7FTR JD1BLY JI5RPT SK3W SM5DJZ
4L5O N3SL JD1BNA JL1UTS SK7DX SM7DXQ
4L6DL LZ1OT K4C K4EU SM0S SM5BAX
4U30VIC 4U1VIC K4P WP4NND SM0Y SM0OY
4W6AL CT1GFK K6P KM6HB SM2T SM2EZT
4X0T 4Z5FI K7A K6HFA SM5J SM5PHU
5H3EE DL4ME KL7J N3SL SM5R SM5AQD
5R8UO DF8UO LN3Z LA9VDA SM6A SM6BGA

6W7RV F8CMT LN8W LA9VDA SM6C SM6CTQ
7S5Q SM5COP LP2F LU1FDU SM6Q SK6AW
7Z1HL DJ9ZB LT0H EA7FTR SM6X SM6CLU
7Z1SJ EA7FTR LX30AK LX1CC SM6Z SM6BZE
8R8USA 8R1AK LX7I LX2A SN12IPA SP9PZU
8S0W SM0NJO LZ17ARDF LZ1ZF SN2009B SP2PBY
9G1YE PA3ERA N4H W4NSC SN2009EM SP7PGK
9G1YK PA3ERA OE4XRC OE4RGC SN2009K SP9PNB
9H3ZW OK1CDJ OF200AD OH5AD SN2009L SP7PAC
9J2BO G3TEV OG1M OH1VR SN2009W SP6PRT
9J2FM JA4ATV OG4X OH1MA SN40DVP SP6DVP
9K2AI NI5DX OG5B OH5BM SQ80SPDE SP9PKZ
9K2YM EA5KB OG6N OH6NIO SY2G SV2JAO
9N7IIU JH3IIU OG7X OH4XX T2G PG5M
A41KJ NI5DX OG9W OH2BCI T31AA N3BQR
A41MO EA5KB OH0R OH2PM T88ZS JA2ZS
A45WH/p A45WH OH0X OH2TA TA4CW F8CVR
A61BK NI5DX OH0Z W0MM TC3BLH TA1HZ
A61Q EA7FTR OH1N OH1BOI TF8GX KT6YL
A65BB S57DX OH2T OH2KW TI4CF W3HNK
A65BG PA7FM OH2U OH2IW TK2Y F5MZN
A65BI SM5DJZ OH3I OH3BHL TM0RPC F5KEB
A7/M0FGA NN1N OH4A OH6LI TM100VDF F6BDE
A71BX EA7FTR OH4E OH2MM TM2NN F5KTU
A71EM EA7FTR OH5Z OH5LIZ TM5FKB F6GVH
AO5WSP EA5RKB OH8X OH2UA TM85NI F4ASQ
AY4D EA5KB OH9W OH2NRV TO7RJ DJ7RJ
C4I LZ2HM ON30NTM ON6KN TR8CA F6CBC
C4N W3HNK ON65POL ON3CYV TY5ZR IK2IQD
CN8YR EA7FTR OQ5M ON5ZO UE1CDX/1 RN1CW
CO8LY EA7ADH OR4A ON4BW UE1RFF UA1RJ
DP1POL DL1ZBO OV5A OZ5DL UE1RLH/1 RA1QY
DR09ANT DL5MHQ OY3AA OZ1ACB UE3KFF RN3QN
DT09KSE HL5FXP OZ0MF DH1LAO UE3QRP UA3LMR
DX1J JA1HGY P29CW VK2IR UE3RFF/3 RK3RB
EG9CCL EA9CE P49X W0YK UE670LS RK3FWI
EH1DAA EA1WS PA09MONUMENT PA7DA UE6FFF RK6FZ
EH1OSM EB1RD PD6MILL PD7BZ UE6GFF UA6HPR
EH1PAZ EA1RCM PH60PH PA7HPH UE6LPP UA6MM
EH3SDC EA1AUM PJ7MF IZ1MHY UE6RK UA6IC
EH5VE EA7URD PX5B PP5BZ UE6UFF RW3RN
EK3SA DJ1CW R1ANB RN1ON UN5J W3HNK
EK6LP DL8KAC R1ANC RN1ON UN7DA EA5KB
EK6TA DJ0MCZ R1AND RU1ZC UN7MMM EA7FTR
EN500I/p DM5BB R1FJM RX3MM UN9LW DL8KAC
EV1R EU1PA R50K RW4HB US0KFF/p US0KW
EV2A EW2AA R73SRR UA3DX VQ9JC ND9M
EY8MM K1BV RC3W RW3WWW VR2009EAG VR2XMT
F5KAQ/p F5RJM RG9A UA9XC XT2HLV HB9HLV
FK8GX W3HNK RL3A W3HNK XU7TZG ON7PP

FO8RZ F8BPN RN9S RN9SXX YB0AZ W7TSQ
FT5GA F5OGL RU1A RU1AE YR550BU YO3KSR
FT5WO F4DYW RW2F DK4VW YY7MAE EB7DX
GB0BSR G2BKZ SA0A SM0AIG Z23MS UA3DX
GB2ADU GW4XKE SA1A SM1TDE Z29KM EA7FTR
GB2TX M0CNP SA3C SM3CZS ZK2BJ G3BJ
GB50ATG M5AEX SA6G SM6CUK ZK2NX JM1CAX
GM0HIK G0HIK SC3N EA8CN ZL30MDG ZL3RG
GM3IZD G3IZD SD3D SM3DXC ZL7/N7OU N7OU
GM7MRL G7MRL SE0X SM0MDG ZP6CW ZP6CU
H2E 5B4AGE SE4U SM4EXP ZP8VAO K2DER
HF65PW SP5KCR SE5E SM5AJV ZS3Y SQ8X
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11034. ARLP039 Propagation de K7RA

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin 39 ARLP039
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 25, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP039 Propagation de K7RA

This week we had a double-dose of good news. Right at the time of the Autumnal Equinox, on Tuesday, September 22, sunspot 1026, a new Cycle 24 sunspot, came into view over the Sun's eastern horizon. We watched this emerge a week ago on the Sun's far side via the STEREO project (see http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/).

STEREO is a fantastic tool, because it gives us all a live view of nearly the whole Sun, and it displays very recent images. It turns out that images from each craft--the ahead (leading earth in its orbit) and the behind (trailing earth in its orbit) satellite--are updated approximately every 15 minutes! No more guessing about activity on the other side of the Sun, because we can see it live in animated form based on real time data.

On that animated Sun display you can see there are longitude lines every 30 degrees. Since there are twelve of them, and a rotation of the Sun takes approximately 27.5 days (it varies by latitude), then on average it takes about .0764 days (1 hour, 50 minutes) for the Sun's rotation to progress one degree longitude. Therefore, when we saw the sunspot at -120 degrees longitude, we could estimate that it would take about 2.2917 days (2 days and 7 hours) for the spot to reach the Sun's eastern horizon (at -90 degrees) and first become visible.

On Monday the daily sunspot number was 11, then on Tuesday and Wednesday a second Cycle 24 spot (number 1027) emerged in the Sun's Northern Hemisphere. Tuesday's daily sunspot number rose to 26, then on Wednesday it was 31 as the area of the spots grew. On Thursday the sunspot number was 32. From Monday to Tuesday the total sunspot area increased by seven times, then on Wednesday it doubled, then on Thursday rose about 29% over Wednesday's area. You can see the sunspot numbers, solar flux and sunspot area for each day at, http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt.

Checking http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt shows us that geomagnetic indices are extremely quiet and stable, so I suppose there are three pieces of great propagation news this week. Both sunspots have moved into their maximum geo-effective position (around zero degrees longitude, in the center of the solar disc as viewed from Earth), led by sunspot 1027.

The current prediction from NOAA/USAF is for continued quiet conditions today with a planetary A index of 5, then on Saturday some unsettled conditions and a planetary A index of 12. It drops to 8 on Sunday, then back to 5 for the foreseeable future. Solar flux is expected to continue at about the same level through the first few days of October.

Geophysical Institute Prague has a similar prediction for geomagnetic values, quiet to unsettled September 25, unsettled September 26, quiet to unsettled September 27, and quiet conditions September 28 through October 1.

Ken Tata, K1KT of Warwick, Rhode Island (grid square FN41gs) reports that the Fall 144 MHz Sprint saw some great activity along the East Coast. This is sponsored by the Southeastern VHF Society (http://www.svhfs.org/) and lasted for just four hours, from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM local time, on Monday, September 21.

Ken wrote, "From Rhode Island the band was open from at least central Virginia to southern Nova Scotia. Overall, signals were stable with shallow, slow QSB. This was perhaps the most active 2 meter contest I've seen. At 8 PM local time it sounded like an HF contest!"

Tim Hickman, N3JON of Timonium (Baltimore area), Maryland said "Propagation is up!" after he worked VK4MA long path on September 23 at 2137z. Tim was running barefoot with a small 2-element multi band beam, and received an S5 signal report. Unfortunately, he didn't say what band he was using, but I will bet it was 20 meters.

K4WY, KI4BXN and others tipped us off to a fascinating new story about solar wind during the cycle minimum. Dr. Sarah Gibson, lead scientist on the study, found that solar wind may be much more active during cycle minima than previously thought. See the story at, http://tinyurl.com/ndlffo, http://tinyurl.com/kw32nv and http://tinyurl.com/y8n6old.

This weekend is the CQ World Wide DX RTTY Contest, and FT5GA, the Glorioso DXpedition will be active.

With the heightened solar activity, here are some rough propagation estimates for the path to Glorioso Island this weekend, which is off the East Coast of Africa, northwest of Madagascar.

>From Chicago, best bet for 15 meters is 1600-2100z, 1600-2300z for 17 meters, 1930-0030 on 20 meters, 2130-0400z on 30 meters, 40

meters from 2230-0030z, and 80 meters from 2300-0300z.

>From Cleveland, Ohio, check 15 meters 1500-2030z, 17 meters 1700-2230z, 20 meters 1900-0030z, 30 meters 2100-0400z, with a possibly difficult period 0200-0230z, 40 meters 2200-0330z, and 80 meters 2300-0300z.

>From Boston, 12 meters 1400-1830z, 15 meters 1200-2130z, with signals gradually increasing over that period, 17 meters also increasing signal strengths 1300-2300z, 20 meters 1730-0030z, with increasing signal strengths, 30 meters 1900-0430z, with best chance 2130-0100z, 40 meters 2130-0330z, and 80 meters 2200-0230z.

>From New York City, 12 meters 1430-1900z, 15 meters 1200-2130z, 17 meters 1330-2300z, 20 meters 1800-0030z, 30 meters 2200-0330z, 40 meters 2100-0400z, 80 meters 2230-0300z.

>From Philadelphia, 12 meters 1430-1900z, 15 meters 1200-2200z, 17 meters 1330-2300z, 20 meters 2000-0030z, 30 meters 2200-0400z, 40 meters 2100-0400z, and 80 meters 2230-0330z.

>From Atlanta, 15 meters 1500-2130z, 17 meters 1630-2300z, 20 meters 2000-0030z, 30 meters 2130-0400z, 40 meters 2230-0400z, and 80 meters 2330-0300z.

>From Miami, 10 meters 1600-1730z, 12 meters 1500-1800z, 15 meters 1600-1930z, 17 meters 1630-2230z, 20 meters 2000-0030z, 30 meters 2130-0430z, 40 meters 2230-0330z, and 80 meters 2230-0300z.

Dallas, Texas, 15 meters 1430-2230z, 17 meters 1600-2330z, 20 meters 2100-0030z, 30 meters 2200-0430z, 40 meters 2330-0330z, 80 meters 0000-0300z.

Omaha, Nebraska, 15 meters 1630-2100z, 17 meters 1530-2330z, 20 meters 2000-0030z, 30 meters 2200-0400z, 40 meters 2300-0330z, 80 meters 0000-0230z.

Phoenix, Arizona 12 meters 1900-2100z, 15 meters 1530-2300z, 17 meters 1400-0000z, 20 meters 2130-0030z and around 0330z, 30 meters 0000-0330z, 40 meters 0000-0300z, 80 meters 0100-0230z.

Denver, Colorado, 15 meters 1630-2200z, 17 meters 1500-0000z, 20 meters 2000-0030z, 30 and 40 and 80 meters, 0000-0300z.

Salt Lake City, 15 meters 1730-2230z, 17 meters 1500-0000z, 20 meters 2000-0030z, 30 meters 2130-0330z, 40 meters 0030-0230z, 80 meters 0030-0230z.

>From the middle of California, 15 meters 1730-2300z, 17 meters 1530-0000z, 20 meters 1430-0030z and also 0300-0400z, with dropouts at 1600z and 2100z. 30 meters 2330-0330z, 40 meters 0130-0300z, 80 meters 0130-0230z.

>From Seattle, 15 meters 1930-2230z, 17 meters 1700-2330z, 20 meters 1430-0300z, 30 meters 2100-0300z, 40 meters 0000-0230z.

>From Hawaii, 10 meters 0330-0600z, 12 meters 0300-0700z, 15 meters 0230-0830z, 17 meters 1100-1230z, 20 meters 1230-1500z and 1730-1930z, 30 meters 1300-1800z, 40 meters 1330-1730z, 80 meters 1430-1700z.

On most of the above paths, signals gradually strengthen throughout the given time period.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for September 17 through 23 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 11, 26, and 31 with a mean of 9.7. 10.7 cm flux was 69.1, 69, 70.5, 71.3, 71.9, 74.7, and 76.1 with a mean of 71.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 3, 2, 4, 7, 4 and 2 with a mean of 4.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 2, 1, 3, 5, 2 and 1 with a mean of 2.9.
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11035. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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Date: 2009-09-25 22:11:00 UTC
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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 25 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 268 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Region 1026 (S30E15) produced
a C2 x-ray flare at 25/0102Z. This single-spot group has decreased
in area in the past 24 hours. Region 1027 (N24W08) remains a beta
group and has also decreased in both area and sunspot count.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low with a slight chance for a C-class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be unsettled, with isolated active conditions, for day
one (26 September) as a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream
becomes geoeffective. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected for
day two (27 September), with mostly quiet conditions returning for
day three (28 September).
III. Event Probabilities 26 Sep-28 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Sep 072
Predicted 26 Sep-28 Sep 072/072/070
90 Day Mean 25 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Sep 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Sep 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Sep-28 Sep 010/012-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Sep-28 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 30/25/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11036. Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-26 16:13:55 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 10897 Message: 11036

Good Morning Gang:
This morning the Glorioso guys were in here quite strong on 30 meters,
long path. Got 'em in the log.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11037. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-26 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11037

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 26 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 269 Issued at 2200Z on 26 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 25/2100Z
to 26/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1027 (N24W21) has
shown little change and remains a simple beta group. Region 1026
(S34E05) is a spotless plage region today. No significant flares
were observed during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 25/2100Z to 26/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. An increase in solar wind speed,
density, and temperature were observed from the ACE spacecraft
around 26/1130Z. These signatures are an indication of a possible
weak co-rotating interaction region.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled for day one (27 September) due to
effects from a coronal hole high speed stream. Predominantly quiet
conditions are expected for days two and three (28-29 September).
III. Event Probabilities 27 Sep-29 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 26 Sep 072
Predicted 27 Sep-29 Sep 072/070/070
90 Day Mean 26 Sep 068
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 Sep 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 Sep 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 Sep-29 Sep 006/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 Sep-29 Sep
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11038. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 01:06:37 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10897 Message: 11038

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Dale Cole K8TS wrote:
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> Dale K8TS
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> Jackson, MI
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11039. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 01:07:39 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10897 Message: 11039

Congratulations to you and Kathy. What time on 30?

Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
> Good Morning Gang:
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> long path. Got 'em in the log.
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> 73,
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11040. Re: Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 03:03:05 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 10897 Message: 11040

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> hole. They have not been much above the noise, and seem to QSY just as
> they start to come up.

I heard you on some band... 30m I guess... sri you didn't get 'em... neither did I.

20m SSB had good signals today but I just couldn't pull the trigger.

30m CW was weak but steadily good copy, but they were working all EU.

I hoped they would come up on 17CW but no go.

73
Dan

11041. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 04:08:43 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 10897 Message: 11041

Dale Frederick wrote:
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> Congratulations to you and Kathy. What time on 30?
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> Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
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Dale. 1318Z. On short path, they were just kinda in there, but when I
turned around to long path, they were strong.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11042. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 05:00:19 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10897 Message: 11042

Same here. I listened most of the day where they were supposed to be and heard just faint signals in the noise, not strong wnough to work.

Wish I'd had a chance at the A92. That's another one I need!

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Sep 26, 2009 at 8:06 PM, Dale Frederick <dale.kb5iy@...>wrote:

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11043. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 05:14:34 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10897 Message: 11043

Zack,

Have you worked Pratas is., Cambodia, Burma, or South Sandwich yet? If so, I will trade you a A92 or an EP QSL for one of those.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 9/27/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, September 27, 2009, 12:00 AM

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Dale K8TS
Jackson, MI

11044. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 13:30:25 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10897 Message: 11044

You are correct, I did not get a contact with them yet. Could hear them at times on 20 SSB yesterday, called when they were up enough to hear the calls correctly, otherwise I waited patiently. I found it humorous that when he announced that he was moving to, I think it was 30M, there were still a lot of callers. For several minutes afterwards.. :-D
I'm a little frustrated, but there is another week. I can't think of a time with a DXpedition that at this point I did not have a contact. I took Friday afternoon off looking for them to be on 17M SSB, as that was where I heard them the clearest for half an hour or so on Thursday, and they didn't show. No spots for them at all that afternoon. I don't recall seeing spots for them on 20 or 17 CW when it's open to the western US in quite some time? That would certainly help me hear them though the QRN.

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dale

On Sat, Sep 26, 2009 at 9:03 PM, n3oxdan <n3ox.dan@...> wrote:

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11045. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 13:30:42 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10897 Message: 11045

While I don't need Glorioso for a all time new one, I have been looking for them a single contact. I haven't heard them for sure after many many hours of searching when the propagation prediction software suggests there's a possibility. Two of my neighbors (less than a quarter mile) AA9LC and AC9S are in the log, but somehow I continue to miss the peaks. Such is the DX game.... it wouldn't be much of a game if every time you called, you made the contact, and received a QSL.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Zack Widup
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2009 12:00 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

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Dale K8TS

Jackson, MI

11046. Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 13:56:50 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10897 Message: 11046

there are ALOT,..... of people that do NOT listen,....
they just CALL & CALL & CALL I hear that in ALL the dxpeditions.

Gary, turn off the Military Channel ,..... :-)

Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Frederick
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2009 8:30 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso

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11047. Re: [DX-IS] Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 14:31:21 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10897 Message: 11047

Yep, I've worked Pratas, Cambodia and South Sandwich. No, I haven't worked Burma yet. Oddly enough, I only have Pratas on RTTY. I don't have RTTY DXCC yet.

I wish it were that easy (trading QSO's). :-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Sep 27, 2009 at 12:14 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

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com<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=dale.kb5iy@...>
> > wrote:
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11048. Re: Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 14:47:16 UTC
From: Tom Martin
Topic: 10897 Message: 11048

K8TS,

Dale, I've worked them on 17 SSB, CW, and 20 RTTY here in the U.P. All of my DX friends in the U.P. have heard them and most have worked them. They were 579 on 15 CW last week but QSY'd before I could get them. Not much heard on 40 and 80 here with slopers and a vertical. By the way, the Butternut HF6 with 40 radials doesn't hear them on 20. My 4 element SteppIR at 72 feet is 4-5 S-units better. On 17 the SteppIR really does the job.

Haven't heard them on 12 at all.

A local has worked them on 75 SSB in the daylight! Of course, he has a 4 square on 80.

I know that stations in your area have worked them. I don't know if you have the beam up yet, but the Hustler vertical probably is the problem in hearing FT5GA.

Oh, I have worked two pirates on 30 and 20!!! I really "hate" pirates. I do like Johhny Depp, though. HI!

Good luck. You have time.

73,

Tom W8JWN

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I am using the free version of SPAMfighter.
We are a community of 6 million users fighting spam.
SPAMfighter has removed 148 of my spam emails to date.
Get the free SPAMfighter here: http://www.spamfighter.com/len

The Professional version does not have this message

11049. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11049

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 27 2200 UTC
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# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 270 Issued at 2200Z on 27 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. Region 1027 (N24W34)
is a single spot alpha group today. No flares were observed during
the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels. An isolated
period of active conditions was observed at mid-latitudes at
27/1200Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (28-30
September).
III. Event Probabilities 28 Sep-30 Sep
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 Sep 072
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Estimated Afr/Ap 27 Sep 007/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 Sep-30 Sep 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 Sep-30 Sep
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Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11050. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #927

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 22:18:00 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11050 Message: 11050

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 927

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 927
BID: $OPDX.927
September 28, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 20th-September, through Sunday, 27th-September there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FR/g, FS, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update). Updates for this one are expected to be on QRZ.com (under 3D20CR). The crew plans to start operations on October 1st. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3505, 7020, 10104, 14024, 18080, 21024, 24894, 28024 and 50124 kHz
SSB - 3799, 7070, 14190, 18145, 21290, 24950, 28490 and 50124 kHz

RTTY - 10140, 14080, 18110, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz.
Look for a 6m beacon to be on 50124 kHz. QSL via DJ8NK, by the bureau or direct (new IRCs are OK, old IRCs with expiration date of "31 Dec. 2009" are "NOT" OK. QSL cards are most likely to be sent out in January 2010). For more details and possible updates, see their Web page at: http://www.conwayreef2009.de

4U1, ITU HQ (Topband Activity). A report from RSGB President Colin Thomas, G3PSM, states: "4U1ITU will be active during the CQWW CW Contest at the end of November and there will be a 160m operation. Currently there is no 160m operation due to the very high noise level from computers both from within the main ITU building itself, but also from surrounding international organizations. It is understood that a Titanex V160 has been promised from a Japanese source, and it is hoped that time can be found during the week preceding the contest to get the antenna up on the flat roof of the 5 storey Varembe building. However, most of the operators and helpers will be taking part in WRC-12 preparatory meetings during that week. A Multi Single operation is currently planned for the contest."

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. By the time you read this, Al, 4W6AL (CT1GPQ), will be QRT (September 27th) and will be heading home. The Algarve STAR DX Team has updated the log and it can be found on: http://algarvedx.com

6Y1V YOUNG HAM EASSAY DEADLINE (September 30th). David, KY1V, reports on September 26th: "In just four short days we will be selecting 4 young hams to join us this year for CQWW at 6Y1V. We are very excited this year as we have received essays from every continent, from age 9 through 21, and from both boys and girls! I have previewed many of the essays and I can already say it is going to be very difficult to select just 4 young hams. If you wish to be considered for this years' CQWW SSB or CW contest, you have only 4 days to submit your essay. I would like to thank all of the young hams that sent essays this year and their parents for putting their trust and faith in Stacy, Krassy and I. Please be sure to work the all Young Ham 6Y1V station in CQWW this year!"

AT10, ANTARCTICA. Bhagwati, VU3BPZ, will once again head to the Antarctica with the 29th Indian Antarctic Expedition (IAE). The crew has just finished their pre-Antarctic training and medical checks. The team is expected to be there over the winter during a long term operation between November 15th and March 2011. Bhagwati is expected to be on the air from the Maitri Base (WAP IND-03) using his personal callsign VU3BPZ and also a special callsign AT10BP to be issued by the Ministry of Communication & IT for this event. Updates and more details are expected on the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it (Check: News & Information page)

E21, THAILAND. Tinkon, E21NPZ/8, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via E21NPZ.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Jean/ON5JV and Georgette/ON6AK will be active as EA8/homecall from Tijoco Bajo, Tenerife Island (AF-004) between November 20th and February 10th (2010). Activity will be on 40-10 meters

during their evenings. They plan to use 100 watts into a vertical 14AVQ.
QSL via their home callsigns, the bureau is preferred.

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. Akira, JA1NLX, (along with his XYL) will once again
head to the Pacific, but this time he will be active from Ouvea Island
(OC-033), the biggest island in the Loyalty Islands Group, between November
19-23rd. His callsign will be FK/JA1NLX. Activity will be on all HF bands
(80-10 meters) using CW and RTTY with a IC-706MK2 100 watt transceiver
and vertical antenna. QSL via the LoTW or by his home callsign, direct
or by the Bureau. For more details and log after his operation, visit
the following Web page at: http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/fk_2009.html

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). The FT5GA team continues to be on the
air and is trying to satisfy the international Ham radio community. As
of September 27th, they have made over 26.6k QSOs with 9.4k unique
callsigns (12885/CW, 11676/SSB and 2070/RTTY). The team has had some
problems with radios (two transceivers went down out of the four they
had, but one was repaired). FT5GA was active during the CQWW DX RTTY
Contest this past weekend. Still most stateside stations report that
the FT5GA signals are very weak and propagation is not helping.
Operations will last until October 5th, as per the Web page at:
http://glorieuses2008.free.fr
QSL Manager is F5OGL: Didier Senmartin, P.O. Box 7, F-53320 LOIRON,
FRANCE. Online log is available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-120. Members of the Nicosia Amateur Radio Club were expected to
activate Agios Georgios Island on September 26th, as homecall/p.
QSL via their home callsigns (using addresses on QRZ.com).
Operators mentioned were: Andreas/5B8AP, Spyros/5B4MF, Tamer/
5B4AHE, Philip/5B4ZN and Paris/5B4XF. It has been two years
since the island was last activated during the IOTA Contest
in 2007. <http://kkioftes.homeip.net/ham/iota2007/>
<http://kkioftes.homeip.net/ham/as120-2009/pictures/island_view.jpg>

EU-104/ Claude, F5MCC, will once again activate some of Corsica's
EU-164. coastal islands as TK/F5MCC between now and October 2nd.
He was heard last week on EU-014, but is expected to activate
Sanguinaires Islands (EU-104, DIFM TK-002, MIA MCO-022, WLOTA
L 0098) soon and also Lavezzi Islands (EU-164, DIFM TK-011,
MIA MCO-007, WLOTA L 0755). The activation on EU-164 will be
for one day only between 1000-1600z. QSL via his home callsign,
the Bureau is preferred.

NA-110. Rich, K3RWN, will once again activate the Isle of Palms (USI
SC001S, Charleston County, South Carolina) between September
26th and October 2nd. Activity will be mostly SSB/RTTY/PSK31
with a focus on 30 meters for the Digital modes and 40/20 meters
for SSB. This will be a portable operation using only 100 watts
into a PAC12/Buddipole antenna. While on the beach, Rich will
try some QRP SSB operations using his FT-817 and 5 watts. QSL

via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

OC-070. Hotang, YC0IEM, will be active as YC0IEM/8 from Ambon Island between October 4-23rd. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via IZ8CCW.

OC-142. Ray, K9LUK, will be active from Fraser Island (WLOTA L 2976, Queensland State, Australia) between October 18-23rd. Callsign was not provided. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

SA-062. With the support of the Island Radio Expedition Foundation (IREF), the Araucaria DX Group and the ForDX, a group of operators, will be activating Coroa Vermelha Island between November 11-16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. The team members are Leo/PP1CZ, Andre/PY0FF, Renner/ PY7RP, Jim/PY7XC, Ciro/PY7ZY and Mike/K9AJ. QSL via K9AJ. For more details, visit their Web site at: http://www.pw6c.com

J79, DOMINICA (Update). By the time you read this, operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG should be active as J79ZG from the city of Calibushie (Loc. FK95HO and NA-101) between now and October 15th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters on the usual DX frequencies, mainly on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK, as well as 6 meters. They will look especially for JA stations. QSL via DL7AFS. Their Web page for this operation is: http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs/Index_J7.html

KC4, ANTARCTICA (On the Birds and APRS). Bill, K7MT, will once again be returning to McMurdo Station (AN-011) and be active as KC4USV between November 15th and February 20th, 2010. Bill states that he will be on the HF bands on 14243 kHz, Sundays at 0000z. He will also be active on PSK-31 (on 14070 kHz) and CW (14043 kHz) if time permits. Bill has also mentioned that he will take an Arrow II antenna and his Kenwood TH-7 to work the Amateur Satellites into VK and ZL land. He also has plans to be on APRS VHF/HF with a Kam Plus, so you might just see him driving around on the Ross Ice Sea as K7MT-7 on APRS. QSL via K1IED. Visit his home page for some interesting pictures at: http://www.mt.net/~k7mt/

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND (Press Release). Tom/N4XP and Dave/WB4JTT, co-leaders for the 2009 Midway Island Dxpedition, sent out the following press release number 7 dated September 23rd (edited): "There is less than a month to go before the K4M team hits the air. Our final dates are now set.
We arrive on the Island on October 9th and our return will be October 19th. That gives us two weekends to be QRV.
Our website was updated this week with interactive propagation charts. Pick a month and then the time and it will show you openings from KH4 to the world at that moment.
The team wishes to thank those 15,000 DXers who voted on our web poll. If you haven't voted on your needed band/mode please do so now as we are going to use this to schedule our operators. We also appreciate all the comments left for us there. Our website is, http://www.midway2009.com

If you haven't visited it in a while stop by and help support our effort.
This month we are highlighting four more team members. You can read
all their history at: http://www.midway2009.com/meettheops6.html "

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For September 28th-October 4th)....
Sep 28 LN-AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Sep 29 AN ---------------
Sep 30 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct 1 AN-HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct 2 AN LN - Low Normal
Oct 3 AN
Oct 4 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Yoshi, JK2VOC, will once again be active from
the Northern Marianas (OC-086) as KH0/JK2VOC between October 23-26th.
Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as
a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Look for activity before the contest on
30/17/12 meters. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct
to: Yoshihiro Fukuta, 7-9 Mikawa, Tsu-City, Mie 514-0045 Japan

KL5, ALASKA (Special Event). Look for special event station KL5O to be
active on the air in observance of Alaska Day. Activity will take place
between 1800z, October 18th and 0600z, October 19th. Operations will be
on 160-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters. Modes will be CW, SSB and
RTTY. Details from the KL5O Web site states, "Operation will be scheduled
to facilitate working North American stations, though all stations world-
wide are encouraged to participate. See the 'On The Air' link for time/
frequency/mode information." QSLs are available via the LoTW, eQSL and
if you want a hard copy QSL card, the QSL manager is AC7DX. For more
information, visit the KL5O Web site at: http://www.kl5o.com

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active during the CQ World Wide
DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power
entry. QSL via WC4E.

OG0, ALAND ISLAND. If you worked OG0A this past weekend, it was an Aland
Island contest station in this past weekend's Scandinavian SSB Contest.
A press release late last week from Jarmo, OH2BN, stated: "Martti, OH2BH;
Ville, OH2MM, and Pekka, OH2TA, will travel to Aland Islands to compete
head-to-head with the announced Market Reef OJ0B team headed by Pertti,
OH2PM, in the Scandinavian Activity Contest.
Radio Arcala's mother station OH8X will be operated by Juha, OH8NC,
while Toni, OH2UA, will travel south to put the OH2BH station on with
a pair of K3's for serious benchmark testing. QSL OG0A and OJ0B via
OH2BH, OH8X via OH2UA and OJ0J via OH0RJ."

OH, FINLAND (Special Mine Activity). Operators Simo/OH2HAN and Timo/OH3DF will be active as homecall/9 from the Arctic Amethyst Mine in Luosto (Lapland, Finland) between October 15-18th. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB and RTTY. The Amethyst Mine is situated on a very beautiful natural place on top of Lampivaara Fell in Luosto, Lapland. Instead of being in raw material business it sells only locally produced amethyst jewelry. It also welcomes all the visitors, and you can dig your own amethyst gemstones there and hear the story of amethysts. They are mining only manually without machinery and their ideology of sustainable development is to preserve nature and work in a manner which does not disturb magnificent Lappish nature. A special QSL will be available via their home callsigns.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL 3V8SS via IZ8CCW. Operator was SWL Ashraf, 3V4-002, from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest this past weekend. Read about Ashraf on: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

QSL ER0FEO via UU0JM or LoTW. Activity was in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest this past weekend.

FJ/VE3EY QSL STATUS. Nenad, VE3EXY, reports: "QSLs are out... Received first batch of FJ/VE3EY QSL cards from Nick for his August 2009 St. Barth activation. QSL cards are processed and ready to go to QSL bureaus."

QSL LS1D via LW9EOC. Operators were Daniel/LU3CT, Tim/LW9EOC, Daniel/LW1DIO and Mario/LW8DQ from La Tablada, Argentina. Activity was in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest this past weekend.

QSL OG20YL via OH2YL. Operator is Anne, OH2YL, from Karjalohja, Finland. Activity is to celebrate Ann receiving her license 20 years ago.

QSL SX5R via SV5DKL (QRZ.com address). Activity was in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest this past weekend.

7P8AO QSL STATUS. Laci, HA0HW, was informed by Pista, HA5AO (edited): "Yesterday (September 21st) I have received the QSL cards from the UX5UO printshop. I will answer the QSL requests, first, to the stations who sent donations to the orphan children in Lesotho, than those who sent direct requests with sufficient funds. In the third batch the QSL cards will be posted to stations who sent IRCs, however, I kindly asked for GS (Green Stamps) only. All the direct requests with 1 USD will be answered via the bureau. Finally the bureau cards will be answered. I uploaded and will be uploading the QSO details to the LoTW to all those stations who sent or gave donations on-line or it was included with their direct requests. The complete log will be uploaded to the LoTW at least a year. If you are going to send for a direct QSL request, please read my QSL policy carefully (on QRZ.com), especially for the Lesotho operation."

HAVE PATIENCE! More QSL cards were received this past week for the many UA4WHX operations. Vlad is still sending them out.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5N0OCH, 6H1IM, 7Q7BP, CP6/DF9GR, DL4CF, FO8RZ, LA9Z, LY2IJ, SM3EVR, UA0YAY, XE1HSW, ZC4LI and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5V7PRF, 7Q7BP, 7Q7HB, 7P8MM, 7P8OK, 9J2FM, 9L1X, A25/DL7DF, A43DLH, BX5AA, C21TI, EA5ARJ, EA9IB, EU3AR, FM1FV, GB5KIL, GB0SGB/p, H44MY, HR9/WQ7R, HV5PUL, JD1BMH, OZ1GML, P29NI, S04R, SV2AVP, TY5ZR, V51YJ, V8AQM, V85SS, VK9GMX, VK9NI, VP8YLH, YJ8TZ, ZF2DX and ZF2ZB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5X7FN, 6Y1V, 7P8FC, BY4RSA/4, C56YK, CE0Z/DL2AH, CO2IZ, DL6EZ, DR25RIN, E7/YT2ED, EA2VE, EA9BW, EB1DH/p, EG2ANT, EK8PL, EK0B, F/ON7MH/P, HA8IE, HF94KE, HG0HQ, HG5Y, IF9/IK5MEQ, II8ANT, II8IPY, IK6CAC, IO1DCI, IP5PJ, IQ4AX, JE1FAR, JJ5EFY, JW8DW, LY0HQ, OE9XHQ, OH5NE, ON64POL, PA143ITU, R45VT, RD3MA, RP3D, RK3IWT/1, RT4M, SN7Q, TF/LA9SN, TO6T, TU/F5LDY, UA6UDV, UT0VE/P, VE3MIS, VK7AC, YL2GQT, YV5CRB and YW6AJ

TC1, TURKEY. Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (TC Special Wireless Activity Team) will activate the special callsign TC10TF between September 25th and October 2nd. Activity will be on the HF bands. Operators mentioned are TA0U, TA1HZ and TA2RX. Their activity is to celebrate the 10th Transportation Forum which is organized by the Ministry of Transportation & Communications between September 27th and October 1st in Istanbul <http://www.ulastirmasurasi.org/tr/main_page.html>. TCSWAT will be on the air to show that the Turkish ham radio operators are part of the infrastructure of communications. QSL info is available at: http://www.tcswat.org/QSL.html
It is suggested to "Please read the info before sending in any QSL cards."

TI, COSTA RICA. A large team of operators will be active as TI5N during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W3HNK. Operators mentioned are: Sandra/N3TQU, Todd/KD4YHY, Don/N6JRL, Jim/AL7BA, Stan/KC7EHJ, Dave/KB8OCP, ???/KF0FWC, Jim/KI0DN, Carlos/TI5KD and Sophia/TI2IY. Look for the operators to be active before and after the contest using their own callsign between October 22-27th. Activity will be on 60/30/17/12 meters.

TX5, AUSTRAL AND MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Reminder/Update). Just a reminder that Les/SP3DOI, Jan/SP3CYY, Wojciech/SP9PT, Jozef/SP9-31029 and Michel/FO5QB will activate Tubuai Island (OC-152) in the Austral Island group between September 29th and October 12th, as well as Nuku Hiva Island (OC-027) in the Marquesas Islands group between October 16-22nd. Callsigns have been confirmed and are TX5SPA (Austral) and TX5SPM (Marquesas). Their goal is to make as many QSOs as possible, mainly with Europe on the lower frequency bands. Both countries rank 21st and 19th respectively on the most wanted list in that area, but they do not intend to ignore the stations from other continents. If possible (propagation), they will also be working on all the higher bands. They are planning to be active on CW, SSB and RTTY (maybe PSK31). PLEASE NOTE: Operators would like to emphasize that all the costs of the DXpeditions are covered entirely by its participants. They do not accept any sponsors, and are going there for their own pleasure, using their own money. The QSL Manager for their DXpeditions

is going to be Wojciech, SP9PT. For more details and update, go to:
http://fo2009sp.pl
UPDATE: According to their Web page (as this was being typed), the team
was expected to fly to Tubuai Island on Sunday, September 27th.

V3, BELIZE. Pete, K8PT, will be active as V31PT between November 24th
December 6th. No other details were provided. However, in past operations
by Pete, activity usually is 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and some
PSK-31. QSL via his home callsign.

VC2, CANADA. Operators Noel/VE2BR and Gregg/VE3ZZ will once again be
active in the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) from Mercier,
Quebec (Zone 5, Grid Loc FN35dh), using the special call VC2Z. QSL via
VE2BR.

VP9, BERMUDA. Bob, KE0UI, will be active as VP9I from Hamilton Parish
during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-
Band/Low-Power/Assisted entry. QSL
via N1HRA. Look for activity before and after the contest by Bob signing
VP9/KE0UI. QSL via his home callsign.

XU, CAMBODIA. Operatprs Norbert/F6AXX and Alain/F6HBR will be active as
XU7UFT from Sihanoukville between December 3-8th. Activity will be on
the HF bands, but CW only. QSL via F6AXX, by the Bureau or direct (w/SAE
and return postage). Look for direct QSLs to be answered after January
15th, 2010.

ZY0T, TRINDADE AND MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS. Four members of the Rio DX Group
will activate Trindade Island (PY0T/SA-010) as ZY0T between October
11-16th, however this may vary due to the Brazilian Navy schedules.
Operators mentioned are: Felipe/PY1NB, Linneu/PY1ON, Ivan/PY1YB and
Fabio/PY1ZV. Activity will be a on 160/80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters
using CW and SSB. They plan to have 2 stations. Suggested frequencies
are:
CW - 1821.5, 3520, 7005, 10110, 14030, 18088, 21030, 24910 and 28030 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3765, 7050, 14250, 18118, 21250, 24950, 28450 and 28550 kHz
QSL via PY1NB DIRECT ONLY. For more information, visit their Web page at:
http://riodxgroup.dxwatch.com/trindade-2009

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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11051. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-27 23:02:37 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10897 Message: 11051

Tom;

I did hear them good enough to work the other nite......put em the log and shouted with joy........terriorized the cat--she went and hid

However, did not show up in the log.

Worked on 40m also--same story.

#$%^*&^% pirates!

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tom Martin" <tmartin@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2009 10:47:16 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Glorioso

K8TS,

Dale, I've worked them on 17 SSB, CW, and 20 RTTY here in the U.P. All of my DX friends in the U.P. have heard them and most have worked them. They were 579 on 15 CW last week but QSY'd before I could get them. Not much heard on 40 and 80 here with slopers and a vertical. By the way, the Butternut HF6 with 40 radials doesn't hear them on 20. My 4 element SteppIR at 72 feet is 4-5 S-units better. On 17 the SteppIR really does the job.

Haven't heard them on 12 at all.

A local has worked them on 75 SSB in the daylight! Of course, he has a 4 square on 80.

I know that stations in your area have worked them. I don't know if you have the beam up yet, but the Hustler vertical probably is the problem in hearing FT5GA.

Oh, I have worked two pirates on 30 and 20!!! I really "hate" pirates. I do like Johhny Depp, though. HI!

Good luck. You have time.

73,

Tom W8JWN

I am using the Free version of SPAMfighter .
We are a community of 6 million users fighting spam.
SPAMfighter has removed 148 of my spam emails to date.
The Professional version does not have this message.

11052. Old call sign lookups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 00:59:11 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11052 Message: 11052

Does anyone know how to look up data on old call signs, I have been licensed as WB5ZQU and WY5L and dont remember the dates of the
license terms and need it for Lotw certification.

Bob AD5VJ

11053. Re: [DX-IS] Old call sign lookups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 01:14:07 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11052 Message: 11053

Hi Bob,

Try www.vanityhq.com . There is a box on the left side for a callsign look up that goes back quite a ways.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 9/27/09, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...> wrote:

From: AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Old call sign lookups
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, September 27, 2009, 7:59 PM

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Bob AD5VJ

11054. FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 04:36:10 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 11054

Well, I worked FT5GA or someone like him this evening on 7004 a little after 0300Z. He called CQ and was 20 over 9. He worked a handful of people simplex (including me) before the pileup started, then started working split. As I listened, the signal rapidly faded down to S2 or so in 10 minutes. It was the same signal on the same frequency.

So was it a propagation fluke a half hour after their sunrise, or a pirate who turned his power down after people started posting him as a slim on packet? What's weird is they have apparently been at it for over an hour now. I can still hear them in there about S2. Would a pirate keep working people that long?

Guess I'll know in a few days if it does or doesn't show up in the log. That might've been my last chance to get them due to my schedule.

73, Zack W9SZ

11055. Re: [DX-IS] Old call sign lookups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 12:33:44 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11052 Message: 11055

Also, try the Quarter Century Wireless Assc. QCWA. They keep Call Books for lots of years. They have my info from the mid 50s.

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----- Original Message -----
From: AD5VJ Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2009 8:59 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Old call sign lookups

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Bob AD5VJ

11056. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 12:42:05 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 10757 Message: 11056

I heard it the same way. Congrats if you made the log.

From: Zack Widup
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2009 11:36 PM
To: DX List
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Well, I worked FT5GA or someone like him this evening on 7004 a little after 0300Z. He called CQ and was 20 over 9. He worked a handful of people simplex (including me) before the pileup started, then started working split. As I listened, the signal rapidly faded down to S2 or so in 10 minutes. It was the same signal on the same frequency.

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11057. Re: [DX-IS] Old call sign lookups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 13:20:58 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11052 Message: 11057

The vanityhq.com site only seems to go back as far as the current vanity program. I got my current callsign in 1976 and it isn't considered a vanity call by the FCC now. I guess those of us who got them in the mid-70's were "grandfathered in."

The RAC would only help you to identify the year and appromiate time. How accurate does it need to be for LoTW?

Did you save your old licenses?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Sep 28, 2009 at 7:33 AM, Deacon Dave <w1mce@...> wrote:

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> *From:* AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Sunday, September 27, 2009 8:59 PM
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> license terms and need it for Lotw certification.
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> Bob AD5VJ
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11058. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 14:45:45 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 11058

I also hope you're in the log, Zack. You'll know when they are next updated.

Good luck.

73

Al, VE1AL

BTW, I've stopped chasing them. If they're on when I am and I can get thru that's fine with me. One QSO on 20M SSB was what I aimed for. Got it. The rest is gravy.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2009 9:42 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

I heard it the same way. Congrats if you made the log.

From: Zack Widup <mailto:w9sz.zack@...>
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2009 11:36 PM
To: DX List <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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73, Zack W9SZ

11059. Re: Old call sign lookups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 14:48:35 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 11052 Message: 11059

Actually, Vanity HQ appears to go back to 1981. Use the "Unique Call Lookup" box in the top left.

It did help with the OM's original call BTW so it helped us out. We need to add that call to his LOTW account.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in windy far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE in July 2010 from Miquelon for the IARU contest

11060. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Old call sign lookups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 15:30:49 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11052 Message: 11060

Yes but as I mentioned, I got this call in 1976. It just says something
about "already licensed" in 1981.

But I kept the old license!
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Sep 28, 2009 at 9:48 AM, Peg Haese KB9LIE <kb9lie@...> wrote:

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> Actually, Vanity HQ appears to go back to 1981. Use the "Unique Call
> Lookup" box in the top left.
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> It did help with the OM's original call BTW so it helped us out. We need to
> add that call to his LOTW account.
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> 73 de Peg KB9LIE in windy far SW Wisconsin USA
> FP/KB9LIE in July 2010 from Miquelon for the IARU contest
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11061. Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 16:34:43 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11061 Message: 11061

Comment from another list:

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Rene

11062. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 17:05:32 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11061 Message: 11062

All I ask is one good QSO. I have never worked Glorioso on any band or mode.

I'm looking forward to the K4M operation. I know it is going to be
first-class.

73, Zack W9SZ

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11063. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 17:16:00 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11061 Message: 11063

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11064. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 17:19:37 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11061 Message: 11064

When I heard them in Arizona it was 2.5 hours past their sunrise. Possible,
but ???

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: kq0b@sbcglobal.net
Date: Mon, 28 Sep 2009 10:16:00 -0700
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

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11065. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 17:22:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11061 Message: 11065

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73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Sep 28, 2009 at 12:19 PM, RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...> wrote:

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11066. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 17:25:37 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11061 Message: 11066

Maybe Romeo is somewhere in the Indian Ocean-close enough to FT/G.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 9/28/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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Rene

11067. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA 40M Real?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 17:26:48 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11061 Message: 11067

They came up out of the noise for almost an hour on 15 CW today -- peaking here at about S4. Lots of guys in New England and farther south and west of me worked them but I didn't hear them work a single VE in that period. They were in and out of the QSB for the entire period and a QSO from this QTH would have been only slightly more than marginal. Given the chance, however, I would have taken it.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Michael W Elliott
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2009 2:16 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11068. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 18:54:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 11068

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Looks like I might not get the chance to work this one. Maybe there will be another FR/G operation if and when we have a sunspot cycle peak. Maybe the lids will all hibernate. Lots of maybes.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Sep 28, 2009 at 9:45 AM, Alan Leith <aleith@...tlink.ca> wrote:

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> *CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
> *Sent:* Monday, September 28, 2009 9:42 AM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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> I heard it the same way. Congrats if you made the log.
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> *From:* Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail.com>
> *Sent:* Sunday, September 27, 2009 11:36 PM
> *To:* DX List <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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11069. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 19:10:10 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 11069

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Perhaps I'll hear them on 30 or 40 later as the sun sets. We'll see.

Don't give up!

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2009 3:55 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

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11070. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 19:44:52 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 11070

I dunno. I haven't had time in my schedule to try work them during the week till around 0200Z or later. They haven't been on the air at that time except for a few days, from what I could tell. I missed them yeaterday afternoon on 30. I tuned in to them JUST as they said they were QRT on 30. That was abut 2100Z. I couldn't hear them anywhere after that. I spent the rest of the day listening for them.

Oh well, in the grand scheme of things it isn't a big deal ...

73, Zack W9SZ

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11071. OG6R in SAC contest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 20:54:08 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11071 Message: 11071

Does anyone have QSL info for OG6R in the SAC CW contesting from a couple of weekends ago?

73s John AA5JG

11072. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11072

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 28 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 271 Issued at 2200Z on 28 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 27/2100Z
to 28/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1027 (N23W47)
indicated a slight increase in area and spot number and maintains a
bipolar magnetic configuration.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low with a slight chance for a C-class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 27/2100Z to 28/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet with an isolated minor storm
period observed at middle latitudes between 28/0600 - 0900Z. An
extended period of southward IMF Bz (-5 to -6 nT) was observed
between 28/0400Z - 0800Z that contributed to the minor storm.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for days one and two (29-30 September). Quiet
to unsettled levels are expected on day three (01 October) due to a
coronal hole high speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 29 Sep-01 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 28 Sep 073
Predicted 29 Sep-01 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 28 Sep 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 27 Sep 008/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 28 Sep 009/009
Predicted Afr/Ap 29 Sep-01 Oct 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 29 Sep-01 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11073. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-28 23:34:16 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10757 Message: 11073

Zack:

I put them in the log twice but did not come up on there posted log......can't figure how they can be pirates with thatg good of code. :(

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Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: "DX List" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2009 12:36:10 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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11074. qso numbers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-29 02:46:19 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11074 Message: 11074

Are those numbers on the charts for FT5GA for real? Most bands only show in the neighborhood of 200 q's--???????

Dale K8TS

11075. Re: Old call sign lookups

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-29 16:02:09 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11052 Message: 11075

For LotW purposes, it really only needs to be as accurate as you need, i.e., the dates you specify need to encompass the dates of the QSOs you want to add/check etc.

Since there's no database for anyone to check against, you would most likely be permitted to put in any reasonable date range. The only obvious thing that comes to mind is if someone else now has the old call you're trying to establish for LotW - that could get complicated!

In 2004, I changed my call from NE4F to K4IRS (then to N4PJ in 2006). In 2006 someone "picked up" my old NE4F call. The only complication that arose (none from LotW) was minor - I received some of his bureau QSL cards. Since I had not used the NE4F call for almost 17 years, I made sure the bureau would send all NE4F cards in the future to the new holder - there aren't likely to be very many of them for me!

It would be very difficult for the "new" holder of NE4F to get any cross-dupes from my call - his QSOs would, in all probability, never match even if the dates were improperly entered.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> The vanityhq.com site only seems to go back as far as the current vanity
> program. I got my current callsign in 1976 and it isn't considered a vanity
> call by the FCC now. I guess those of us who got them in the mid-70's were
> "grandfathered in."
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> The RAC would only help you to identify the year and appromiate time. How
> accurate does it need to be for LoTW?
>
> Did you save your old licenses?
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
>
> On Mon, Sep 28, 2009 at 7:33 AM, Deacon Dave <w1mce@...> wrote:
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> > >
> > > Also, try the Quarter Century Wireless Assc. QCWA. They keep Call Books
> > > for lots of years. They have my info from the mid 50s.
> > >
> > > DD
> > >
> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > *From:* AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...>
> > > *To:* DX-IS@...m

> > *Sent:* Sunday, September 27, 2009 8:59 PM
> > *Subject:* [DX-IS] Old call sign lookups
> >
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> >
> > Does anyone know how to look up data on old call signs, I have been
> > licensed as WB5ZQU and WY5L and dont remember the dates of the
> > license terms and need it for Lotw certification.
> >
> > Bob AD5VJ
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11076. Cluster Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-29 16:06:06 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11076 Message: 11076

From my Uncle Phil:

Steven from California: Dr. Phil, people don't appreciate me. I put cluster spots on the internet to help people out. Rather than
show their appreciation, they say bad things about me.

Dr. Phil: (With a puzzled look on his face) Hmmmmm... I've heard of a cluster, well you know, oh never mind, I can't say that on the air. But what in blazes is a cluster spot?

Steven from California: Well, Dr. Phil, a cluster spot is something ham radio operators use to let other hams know what stations are on the air, and what frequency they are on.

Dr. Phil: OH NO... Not another ham radio operator. I specifically told my producers not to bring any more of you guys on the show. I'll deal with them later. But since you are here, I'll try to help you. Now exactly what are you putting on these cluster spots that are ticking people off.

Steven from California: I don't know Dr. Phil. I try to help people out. If a station is calling for Europe, I'll put it on the cluster so people in the states will know. If I work a station, I put it on the cluster.

Dr. Phil: OK Steven, I just had an email handed to me that came from my nephew, who is a ham radio operator. He says you are a cluster cop, you put your log book on the cluster, and that you use the cluster to make radio contacts. He says, in other words, that you use the cluster to get the other station's attention if you can't contact them over the air. And that you use the cluster to fill in information, such as your call sign, if the other station didn't get it over the air. OH MY GAWD! The second page has all your
spots for 2009. What in the world are you doing? There's more spots here than Carter has liver pills.

Steven from California: Dr Phil, I put spots on the cluster to announce all my contacts, because I'm proud of them. I don't believe I'm a cluster cop, I just want to make sure the US is not transmitting when the DX calls for Europe. I try to call the DX stations with my radio. But there's thousands of other stations calling at the same time. Sometimes, I need the cluster to get the DX station's attention. And it's bad not to get in the log, so I sometimes put information on the cluster to make sure the DX got my call
sign correct.

Dr. Phil: (Leans back and takes a deep breath) Now Steven, first of all, what information do you get from DX stations alerting you that they are working Europe?

Steven from California: Well, they say so on the air.

Dr. Phil: So if you get it on the air, doesn't every other station that's listening to them?

Steven from California: Well, yes they do Dr. Phil. But they don't pay attention, so I put it on the cluster.

Dr. Phil: (Almost laughing) So in other words, other stations don't pay attention to the DX operators instructions, but they will if you spot it on the cluster. Hmmm... I'm now starting to get the picture. And why do you spot everything you work just to let the whole world know you worked it?

Steven from California: It's like I said Dr. Phil, I'm proud of my contacts.

Dr. Phil: Steven, read my lips. No one cares what you work. I don't care, the man sitting next to you doesn't care, no one in the audience cares, and no other ham radio operator cares. What you do is a personal achievement, and no one else cares. Now here you are using the internet as a crutch to work something that is suppose to be a radio contact. Isn't that cheating? Think about it this way. When I played college football in Oklahoma, I was a middle linebacker. What if the opposing halfback had the ball, and I had him in my sights on him about to make a tackle. Suddenly a helicopter came over the field, threw down a life line, lifted him over me, and he scored a touchdown.

Steven from California: That wouldn't work. Flags would be going up, the referees would be jumping up and down making all kinds of waving motions, and it wouldn't count.

Dr. Phil: Thank you. Now you get the point. We have referees to keep everything legal on the field, but you guys are on your own. What you are doing on the air is only a personal accomplishment. Personally, I wouldn't get any satisfaction out of radio if I had to depend on the internet to get a foreign station's attention or to give them information that should have been sent over the air. But whatever burst your bubble. If you broadcast everything you do on the cluster, you'll will get the world's attention. So don't come crying to me if you get flak from those who read the cluster.

Steven from California: You're just like the rest of them Dr. Phil, you're against me. What I'm doing is right those who don't believe it are wrong.

Dr. Phil: OK Steven, have a safe trip back to California. I was about to make arrangements for some therapy, near your town in California, but you won't be needing any. That would be like sending a blind man to an optometrist.

Rene
p.s. Steven's callsign on request but I think most know who he is...

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The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

11077. FT5GA Logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-29 16:47:18 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 11077 Message: 11077

Greetings All:

How often are the FT5GA logs updated?

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11078. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA Logs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-29 16:56:22 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11077 Message: 11078

Seems they are updated daily around 1700Z plus or minus.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Sep 29, 2009 at 11:47 AM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <
w5uc@...> wrote:

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11079. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-29 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11079

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Sep 29 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 272 Issued at 2200Z on 29 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 28/2100Z
to 29/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1027 (N23W62)
indicated a slight decrease in area and spot number and maintains a
bipolar magnetic configuration. No significant flares were observed
during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low with a slight chance for a C-class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 28/2100Z to 29/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on day one (30 September). Quiet to unsettled
levels are expected on days two and three (01-02 October) due to a
coronal hole high speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 30 Sep-02 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 29 Sep 072
Predicted 30 Sep-02 Oct 072/072/070
90 Day Mean 29 Sep 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 28 Sep 006/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 29 Sep 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 30 Sep-02 Oct 005/005-007/007-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 30 Sep-02 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/10
Minor storm 01/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11080. Re: [DX-IS] OG6R in SAC contest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-29 22:24:53 UTC
From: Nico van der Bijl
Topic: 11071 Message: 11080

I'd try OH6R, Tampere radioclub.
It's normally only prefix change
73
Nico

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: cq-contest@contesting.com ; dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2009 8:54 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] OG6R in SAC contest

Does anyone have QSL info for OG6R in the SAC CW contesting from a couple of weekends ago?

73s John AA5JG

11081. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-30 00:35:48 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10757 Message: 11081

I have yet to make a contact. I have Friday off to help a friend early in
the day with some set-up at Balloon Fiesta Park, and then the remainder...

On Sun, Sep 27, 2009 at 10:36 PM, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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> Well, I worked FT5GA or someone like him this evening on 7004 a little
> after 0300Z. He called CQ and was 20 over 9. He worked a handful of people
> simplex (including me) before the pileup started, then started working
> split. As I listened, the signal rapidly faded down to S2 or so in 10
> minutes. It was the same signal on the same frequency.
>
> So was it a propagation fluke a half hour after their sunrise, or a pirate
> who turned his power down after people started posting him as a slim on
> packet? What's weird is they have apparently been at it for over an hour
> now. I can still hear them in there about S2. Would a pirate keep working
> people that long?
>
> Guess I'll know in a few days if it does or doesn't show up in the log.
> That might've been my last chance to get them due to my schedule.
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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11082. FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-30 21:53:05 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10757 Message: 11082

they are either very tired, or not very good at all.

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II
www.w5tfw.com
www.6mt.com

Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !

John Wayne

11083. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-30 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11083

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:Issued: 2009 Sep 30 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 273 Issued at 2200Z on 30 Sep 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 29/2100Z
to 30/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1027 (N23W76) has
decreased in size and spot number and currently indicates an alpha
magnetic configuration as it approaches the west limb. No
significant flares occurred during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low with a slight chance for a C-class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 29/2100Z to 30/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet with an isolated unsettled
period observed during the period 30/1200Z - 1500Z. Observations
from the ACE spacecraft indicated the possible arrival of a weak
co-rotating interaction region in advance of a recurrent coronal
hole.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled for day one (01 October) due to a
weak coronal hole high speed stream. Quiet levels are expected for
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11084. FT5GA (HA!!!!)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-30 22:51:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11084 Message: 11084

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When, in the name of all that is good and holy, will people start to listen, stop calling when there's no sign of their call in the one the DX is asking for and pay attention to instructions.

I'm getting really sick of the rudeness of the Europeans in general (of course there are exceptions) and also many of my fellow North American hams. Civility disappeared on SSB some time ago, has recently been removed from CW and will soon, if it hasn't begun, be something of the past on the digital modes. For want of a better description, I'll call it Band Rage.

Today's pile-ups are outrageous free-for-alls.

73

Al, VE1AL

11085. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA (HA!!!!)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-30 22:57:11 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11084 Message: 11085

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73,

Dave, AA6YQ

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2009 6:52 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA (HA!!!!)

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11086. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA (HA!!!!)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-30 23:26:09 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11084 Message: 11086

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Date: 2009-09-30 23:32:49 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11084 Message: 11087

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11088. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA (HA!!!!)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-09-30 23:56:17 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11084 Message: 11088

My log says Martin was FP/G3ZAY - ST._PIERRE_&_MIQUELON when I worked
him on 17m 9/27/2009.
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11089. Re: [DX-IS] FP/G3ZAY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 00:23:59 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 11084 Message: 11089

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 00:42:06 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11084 Message: 11090

Al,

I wish you the best of luck. I found out today that FT5GA is NOT a DXpedition but rather a military expedition with a number of radio operators. They have military responsibilities and amateur radio is a secondary / off duty past time. So we should all just take a deep breath.... Now don't we all feel better now? I've heard them once. Just as they were above the noise they went to Europe only then QRT. Never when propagation should be working for W9 - FT5G path or Sun rise / set peaks. But Slim shows now and then.

73,

Gary - AB9M

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Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2009 5:51 PM
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Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA (HA!!!!)

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11091. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 02:40:49 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10757 Message: 11091

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11092. Re: [DX-IS] FP/G3ZAY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 02:44:28 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11084 Message: 11092

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11093. Lidfest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 03:11:03 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11093 Message: 11093

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Poor guys, such is the luck.

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11094. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA (HA!!!!)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 03:47:00 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11084 Message: 11094

I don''t recall any DXPedition ever working on a "fixed schedule", much less most of them.

The FT5GA team is operating under constraints imposed by their hosts. The constant lidfest on their frequencies is not their responsibility.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Alan Leith
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 04:08:33 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 11084 Message: 11095

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When it becomes impossible to get in the log unless they do that?

11096. Re: [DX-IS] FP/G3ZAY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 04:17:15 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11084 Message: 11096

Well, I just worked a very strong "FT5GA" on 7002.97 (called once on
7007.59 and got him).
It was 0357z Oct 1st.
He finally gave his call a few times a few minutes later and disappeared.
I've got the real FT5GA on 30m, so I won't be too disappointed if the
40m qso doesn't show up.
As others have said, it's strange that a pirate would work a pile up for
an hour or so, but just disappearing at the end sounds like a pirate.
We will see.
73, gl
frank w0ecs

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11097. Re: FT5GA (HA!!!!)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 10:40:02 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11084 Message: 11097

We need to figure out how to get Obama to "pardon" the pirates so they'll eventually beocme known to all the world. Then we can tar and feather them and ride them out of the galaxy on a rail.....

Art - N4PJ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 10:46:26 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11084 Message: 11098

Last week Marsha and I wandered through the 82 counties in Mississippi. She logged and navigated and I worked CW while dodging the rainstorms. Near the end of the first day, I was on 30 CW in Adams county and was deluged. Many, many, many of the calls were not the "standard" county hunters, but contest and dx stations. Twice I slowed way down and sent "County Hunter Net, Adams, MS, not DX not DX." Didn't seem to matter. I guess the combination of poor conditions for so long and someone with what started out as a modest pileup...

A typical county run was normally between 10 and 30 calls. When you get well off the interstate in a not-so-well-travelled state like Mississippi, some of the counties approach "rare" status. But that afternoon in Adams county I took approximately 75 calls. Felt like I was there so long I was going to have the post office forward my mail there!

Art - N4PJ

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11099. Re: Lidfest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 10:51:01 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11093 Message: 11099

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11100. [425ENG] The Toplist of October

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 09:40:08 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6513 Message: 11100

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Below the top 25 of the toplist
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPLIST
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11101. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 13:53:59 UTC
From: Hotmail
Topic: 10757 Message: 11101

Clearly they are beaming for SA...200 Qso's! That is ridiculous...73 de HK3CW Rob

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11102. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Lidfest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 14:53:54 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11093 Message: 11102

You assume that there is only one slim/pirate/nut case or weirdo

there are many of them and they tend not to sleep and are quite aware of the expeditions on-going

Good luck -- lets hope all of them take their medication at the same time for our sake

--- On Thu, 10/1/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@comcast.net> wrote:

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11103. FT5GA vs TO7RJ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 16:44:33 UTC
From: Rick W
Topic: 11103 Message: 11103

Both of these stations are in the same part of the world and about 16,000 km from my QTH short path. Both are pretty rare. Why is it I can hear and work (got him at 1630 utc) the one-man Mayotte operation on SSB when the West Coast of NA is open but the Glorioso operation is not there?

When they are around they are barely audible and rarely calling for the west coast. Glorioso has had problems with rigs, generators and I believe the operators are military personnel. BUT they do have more operators and better antennas. Mayotte is a one-man operation and, according to the website, he's using a K2, 400 watt amp and an inverted-L antenna (pretty modest).

Why the difference in signals here on the west coast? Is it strictly propagation? Is Glorioso a black hole?

Thoughts appreciated. Thanks.

73,

Rick

VE7TK

Website: http://www3.telus.net/ve7tk

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11104. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA vs TO7RJ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 17:02:06 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11103 Message: 11104

The FT5 crew says they are in a very bad location on the island with obstructions around them. They can't operate on the beach which would be a better site. Remember these are members of the military and have to go with what their senior officers want them to do. They are not there on an entirely ham radio expedition. We take what we can get (and it appears I'm not going to get anything except one pirate QSO).

73, Zack W9SZ

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11105. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 17:10:39 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10757 Message: 11105

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11106. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 17:29:38 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10757 Message: 11106

thats OK,

Midway is Coming to a theater near you soon !

:-)

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11107. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 18:11:31 UTC
From: Hotmail
Topic: 10757 Message: 11107

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11108. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 19:20:14 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 10757 Message: 11108

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11109. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 20:04:30 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10757 Message: 11109

Dick,

I wouldn't be quite as incensed about 10, 12, and 15 meter Qs to EU if there were more 20 meter Qs to NA/SA. The fact is, many times FT5GA has been QRT or working EU on the low bands during NA predicted peak 20 meter propagation between 2030-2330 UTC. The fact is, they haven't arranged their schedule to accommodate the weak and short openings to NA or SA on potentially the most productive band. Additionally, they have spent most of their time on 20 meter phone to the exclusion of 20 meter CW. They have been asked, begged, pleaded with, etc., all to no avail. That's why NA and SA are underrepresented in the stats. NA has a huge DX population, and despite poor propagation, NA should represent more than 15% of the Qs. They just haven't been where we could work them when we could work them. Unfortunately for us, that period happens to be in the middle of the night on Glorioso. Maybe the military constraint has something to do with that middle of the night absence from the bands, but if so, shouldn't they just tell us?

I suspect the tables will turn shortly, with the arrival of Midway on the bands. I'll bet we hear long and loud howling from EU about the NA wall and the poor propagation to EU. I also bet that the ops on Midway will make a pointed effort to work EU at their predicted propagation peaks. While Midway comes too late to be instructive to Glorioso, maybe a retrospective study of the stats from both Dx'peditions could be the topic of an article on how to or how not to conduct a DX'pedition.

I'm not completely disappointed with FT5GA. I've worked new band countries on 17 and 20 meters. I even worked them on 15 meter phone from Iowa with a pretty good signal, and I printed them for a while on 15 meter RTTY during the contest, but they were working mostly EU. I am disappointed that they operated a lot of the RTTY contest by hunt and pounce instead of running a split pileup on the WARC bands during the contest. The means only the big gun run stations worked them. I'm even more disappointed that they haven't been on RTTY since the contest. Obviously, I haven't worked them on RTTY, yet.

It's not over for another week, but they haven't shown any responsiveness to input or stats. All I can do is BELIEVE that a miracle will occur and I'll work them on RTTY.

Nelson, KU0A

P.S.

Actually, Dick, stats do prove things, when scientifically interpreted in light of the variables. As a retired doctorial scientist, I made my living interpreting stats.

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11110. FT5GA Qso statistic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 20:42:18 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11110 Message: 11110

(sure glad I don't need it)
FT5GA team is only 5 young completely unexperimented op's in low-band traffic,
even not DXers, they are only pilupers, on the wrong side of the island
and with antennas away from sea costing, which means 10 to 20 db signal loss

Beach access is prohibited for it’s a Turtles reproduction area.

But FT5GA is on the air !
it was this or nothing
after 5 years of lobbying,
so .... ?

We are not responsible for:
- SFI = 70
- poor S/N ratio in the evening
- and legions of QRMers
- low band peak from 2 to 5 in the morning EU local time
- power availability
- operator avalaibility

Radio is only 2/3 of time 1/3 is job as military
We dont have control on sharing time,vand local organisation makes number of activities on the island
for all residents (100%) at the same time.
It is a compromise,

in balance it is
- a long expedition
- low cost cost operation for an very isolate place and nobody complains about .

In the evening the propagation is quite poor , because this dates are very early in the season
and noise level reduces the signal to noise ratio
and so many peole who are listening nothing are permanatly making deliberate QRM
and it is just time lost
.
So up to you, you have until oct 8th to try again

Pilots received about 500 requests a day, for ultra selective operation.
We can’t and we don’t want to manage in that way (planning prog require a Cray computer us in back office, and operators. We are sure to be in line with DXCC concept.
Remind, DXCC is a competion, and expeditions not a minium public service for every one.
Dxpeditions working via list operation or equivalent selective mode should not be accepted by dxcc desk
If a red carpet is spread between dx and dxer’s what is a QSO value? nothing more than contact via MSN.

We hope 35 000 qso's today in the log, which made 35 000 smiles.

73 Jeff F6AOJ Eu-Pilot

http://f6aoj. ao-journal. com/

from another list - Rene

11111. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 21:01:13 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 10757 Message: 11111

Our Glorioso journey or Don't give up, we both need it for all-time new one

OM Paul K9OT called me at work Monday noon saying he thought he had worked them on 15 CW. His earlier 80 CW contact must have been with a pirate, we both thought it was too easy.

Anyway I decided to go home early because they were starting to come in on 20 sideband in the Black Hole of Wisconsin. Yes, he was strong but asking for "West Coast, USA 6s and 7s" which I'm sure made the VE6 and 7 guys happy (not). Then he just started working anyone so about 85% EU made it. The QRMers had a field day. "QRX for 5 minutes" which for this group means a long wait. A new op, much lower voice, came on shortly, was he the real deal? WFWL.

Finally EU died out along with the lids (any connection?) and the new guy was working mostly NA and some SA. I heard him work AE9YL in Indiana so there was hope. He came back to Lima Echo and I figured that was close enough for me. He got my call corrected and that was that. If there was a true Lima Echo out there at the same time, my apologies.

We are both in the online log this time.

Patience and remember EU loses propagation too while NA still has it. I almost forgot that.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from beautiful Miquelon in July 2010 for the IARU contest

11112. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11112

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 01 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 274 Issued at 2200Z on 01 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1027 (N24W89)
produced a B7 flare at 01/0255Z.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. ACE solar wind data indicate a
continued influence from a weak coronal hole high speed stream.
Average solar wind velocities are around 350 km/s, with low density
and Bz fluctuations from +/- 6 nT.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (02-04
October) as the high speed stream subsides.
III. Event Probabilities 02 Oct-04 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 Oct 072
Predicted 02 Oct-04 Oct 070/070/069
90 Day Mean 01 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Sep 005/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 Oct 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 Oct-04 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 Oct-04 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11113. Re: FT5GA vs TO7RJ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 22:56:47 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 11103 Message: 11113

Thanks Zack. I gathered the conditions were not optimal - even for a dxpedition.

They were definitely workable on the west coast today. Unfortunately they were calling CQ North America. My location is in western NA and 5,000 km (3,000 miles) from the most eastern part of NA (VO1). So only a very few west coast stations broke through the pile. But signals were the best I've heard so far.

If they time the propagation a little better (an hour or 2 earlier) and perhaps ask for NA west coast ... who knows I may just get him!

73,
Rick
VE7TK

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11114. ARLD039 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-01 22:03:33 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6312 Message: 11114

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD039
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ZCZC AE39
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To all radio amateurs

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UNITED NATIONS HQ, 4UxUN. UN Headquarters station 4U64UN is active until mid November in celebration of the 64th annual UN general Assembly. Activity is on all band and modes. QSL via HB9BOU.

SENEGAL, 6W. Martin, OK1FZM and Lenka, OK1WZM will be QRV as home calls/6W from October 3 to 15. Activity is holiday style on all HF bands. QSL to home calls.

MALAWI, 7Q. Ely, IN3VZE is QRV as 7Q7CE from the south shore of Lake Malawi until October 20. Activity is holiday style on all bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

CHINA, BY. David, BA4DW/4 is QRV from Dongxilian Island, AS-135. He is active holiday style on 20 meters. QSL to home call.

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80 to 10 meters using only CW. QSL to home call.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. A group of operators will be QRV as LX/PA6Z from October 4 to 10. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via PA9M.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PD55EA is QRV until October 28 in celebration of the 55th anniversary of the Museum Ellert and Brammert in Schoonoord. Activity is on 40, 20 and 10 meters using SSB and digital modes. QSL direct via PD7BZ.

BONAIRE, CURACAO, PJ2. Fred, PA1FJ is QRV as PJ2/home call from Curacao, IOTA SA-006, until October 7. QSL direct to home call.

CANADA, VE. Special event station VC3COPP is QRV until October 31 in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Ontario Provincial Police Force. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct via VE3BDB.

SOUTH GEORGIA ISLANDS. Lars, MM0DWF is QRV as VP8DIF from Husvik on South Georgia, IOTA AN-007, until mid November. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY in his spare time. QSL via DJ9ZB.

CAMBODIA, XU. Pete, NO2R is QRV as XU7ACY for at least a year. He is active on 40 meters using CW and will soon be active on 160 and 80 meters as well. This includes being entries in both upcoming CQ WW contests. QSL via W2EN.

INDONESIA, YB. Hotang, YC0IEM will be QRV as YC0IEM/8 from Ambon Island, IOTA OC-070, from October 4 to 23. QSL via IZ8CCW.

ZIMBABWE, Z2. Mikhail, RW3AJX is here on work assignment for two to three years. He is licensed as Z23MS and is active on 80 to 10 meters using SSB. He may be active using PSK as well. QSL via UA3DX.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Oceania DX SSB Contest, TARA PSK Rumble Contest, NCCC Sprint, German Telegraphy Contest, International HELL-Contest, California QSO Party, EU Autumn SSB Sprint, UBA ON CW Contest and the RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest are all scheduled for this weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for October 6. The 432 MHz Fall Sprint is scheduled for October 7. Please see October QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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11115. FT5GA and Pirates

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 03:23:50 UTC
From: Bud Morin
Topic: 11115 Message: 11115

Well I worked an FT5GA on 30m today but suspect he was a pirate. Pirates remind me of when I first started DXing about 1965 and being suckered by the calls F0NEY AND L0VE; got a big laugh out of it.

Bud, K9ZT

11116. WHO WAS IT?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 09:30:36 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11116 Message: 11116

Did anyone catch the Callsign of the station on 7.080
2 October at 0818?

He seemed to have a reasonable pile up.

Bob

11117. Re: FT5GA vs TO7RJ ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 10:36:20 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11103 Message: 11117

Thoughts appreciated....

Maybe a tad more research?

The guys on Glorioso are military men. They are amateur radio operators, but are on Glorioso as a part of a military team, not a radio dxpedition. They are under the control of military authority, not some dxpedition leader who studies prop charts and antenna locations. When the boss says they shut down for maintenance on the electrical system, they must do so. They were apparently not given permission to bring in generators for their own power source. Their local conditions are apparently very conducive to constant QRN (thunderstorms all over that area), particularly on the lower bands. They had no choice where to set up their antennas and, consequently (unfortunately) their antenna site is not favorable to our part of the world (North America).

As the French refuse to allow anyone access to the island other than military personnel, we can probably consider ourselves quite lucky that anyone is there at all.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Rick W <ve7tk@...> wrote:
>
> Both of these stations are in the same part of the world and about 16,000 km from my QTH short path. Both are pretty rare. Why is it I can hear and work (got him at 1630 utc) the one-man Mayotte operation on SSB when the West Coast of NA is open but the Glorioso operation is not there?
>
> When they are around they are barely audible and rarely calling for the west coast. Glorioso has had problems with rigs, generators and I believe the operators are military personnel. BUT they do have more operators and better antennas.   Mayotte is a one-man operation and, according to the website, he's using a K2, 400 watt amp and an inverted-L antenna (pretty modest).
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> Why the difference in signals here on the west coast? Is it strictly propagation? Is Glorioso a black hole?
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> Thoughts appreciated. Thanks.
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> 73,
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> Rick
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> VE7TK
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> Website: http://www3.telus.net/ve7tk

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11118. Re: Lidfest

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 15:42:47 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11093 Message: 11118

Yes, I do realize there's more than one idiot out there, but they're going to have to pay just a bit more attention. Hopefully, that will make them tired faster!

After all, in the world of DX, there's always hope!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...> wrote:
>
> You assume that there is only one slim/pirate/nut case or weirdo
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> there are many of them and they tend not to sleep and are quite aware of the expeditions on-going
>
> Good luck -- lets hope all of them take their medication at the same time for our sake
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> --- On Thu, 10/1/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:
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> From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Lidfest
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Thursday, October 1, 2009, 5:51 AM
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> It's even better than that!
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> XV3RRC (they're on AS-157 off Vietnam)
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> TX5SPA (Austral Islands)
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> 3D20CR (that's 3D2 zero - Conway Reef)
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> FT5GA (Glorioso)

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> The pirates will have to stay somewhat busy!
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@> wrote:
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> > Perhaps the fact that Conway came on the air tonite will take some pressure off FT5GA.Â Will put the pressure on the lids, silms, pirates, etc, to cover TWO expeditions at once.
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> > Poor guys, such is the luck.
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> > Dale K8TS
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11119. Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 15:47:17 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 10757 Message: 11119

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 16:04:17 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 11120

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11121. FT5GA

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Date: 2009-10-02 16:09:42 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10757 Message: 11121

HUm,

lets see I am in Southern Mississippi,and I havent worked FT5GA
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 16:18:24 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10757 Message: 11122

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 16:20:53 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 10757 Message: 11123

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 16:43:15 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11125 Message: 11125

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11126. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 16:50:12 UTC
From: ARS NI5F
Topic: 10757 Message: 11126

I am confirmed in the 30-meter log on 30/09/2009 at 1231z from Jackson, MS. I was using the ground-mounted vertical and was lucky to hear them during a thirty-five minute window; oddly, the north-south 270-foot longwire didn't hear them at all. I have not been able to copy them well enough to work at any other time.

Hang in there.

Bill, NI5F

<http://www.buck.com/call?callsign=NI5F> http://www.buck.com/call?callsign=NI5F

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 11:10 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA

HUm,

lets see I am in Southern Mississippi,and I havent worked FT5GA

on anything as of yet. Maybe I too need to be closer to the Equator.

:-)

----- Original Message -----

From: Alan Leith <mailto:aleith@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 11:04 AM

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

You know, Art, you talk about poor propagation. Well, you guys who are closer to the equator than I really don't know how bad propagation can be.

For instance, this morning I saw a spot that FT5GA was on 15 CW (which I would like for a new mode on 15) and so I went there. Nothing to be heard but I sat and tuned around the spotted frequency until, some 10-12 minutes later, a faint signal was heard. As it increased marginally in strength and although the operator did not give his call, I was fairly certain it was, indeed, FT5GA. As the signal started to get a bit stronger, I started to call. To no avail, I'm afraid, because the signals south and west of me were also getting stronger at the receiving end.

I "think" one VE1 may have gotten through (the QSB and band noise were brutal) but it was not until the station (still unidentified) peaked about S-2, that I started to call in earnest. Just as the peaks were S-3 or a tad more, the station suddenly announced 18150 and was gone.

Another day my shot on 15 was gone.

My only QSO, so far, has been on 20M CW (also a needed mode) and I have worked two pirates. One outta three ain't good :-). But I will soldier on until the last day.

Quite honestly, I am far more interested in 3D20CR because I have only got one QSL from Conway on 20 SSB. So I need that for an overall new CW country. I haven't been able to hear them anywhere and they've been a lot a lot easier to find than FT5GA has been because they're a real DXpedition. I think the world saw in the Glorioso announcement what it wanted to see and this operation has been a great disappointment to the people who didn't bother to read the fine print.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 12:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

The poor prop to/from SA may be a lot of the problem. A little over three years ago, I was in Mozambique with a group of ops. We had some reasonably good condx the first week - SFI was in the 80s. On the day of the IARU contest, prop went on holiday. This was during the same time frame when the WRTC from Brazil was going on. We never worked a single one of the ops in that contest! Not even any PY or LU who weren't in the contest. The only E/W prop we had for almost the entire last week was to Australia.

We were situated on a moderately high hill overlooking the lagoon (to the east) and no obstructions in any other direction. Go figure. Sometimes you can plan all you like, but if the prop doesn't come on the trip....

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> , "Richard Williams" <k8ztt@...> wrote:
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> Nelson, the "stats" prove nothing. My uncle swore that black cows ate a lot more feed than the white ones, the one fact that he failed to take into account was he owned twice as many black cows as white ones.
>
> As far as the number of contacts to NA and SA; look at a map and check the distance between FT5GA and Europe and then to NA or SA. With the

sunspots near zero, band condtions have not exactly been steller to NA and SA.
>
> Look at the number of QSO's on 10, 12, 15 and 17 mtrs to the different areas, and that explains why EU has so many QSO's. I have not even heard them on 10, 12, or 15; worked them on 17, but they were no "tower of strength", and I am using a 7 element monobander at 80 ft.
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> I would sure love to work them on 160; but just looking at the "stats", one would conclude they don't give a damn about zone 4 (or NA for that matter). Unfortunately, it is to early in the season for 160, propagation sucks, and it is not because they are favoring EU.
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> Additionally, we have to understand that the "DXPedition" is not their primary mission, and to exacerbate the problem, there are numerous other constraints they have to live with.
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> In CO, I think that 40 and 80 have been the best bands to work them on.
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> I would have to agree with HK3CW that SA seems to be "taking the honors" of worst proagation.
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> Dick K8ZTT
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Hotmail
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2009 12:11 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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> You really think so.. at least you guys get called ..but 212 qsos for SA? Are you kidding me? And its not that we aren't calling! 73 de Rob, HK3CW
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Nelson Moyer
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2009 12:10 PM
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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> Apparently, they're not beaming at all. They're using Spider beams. NA was only 15% of Qs last I checked, and it's not because we're not calling! This operation is by EU for EU. The stats prove it, and the ops don't seem to care.

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> Nelson, KU0A
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf
Of Hotmail
> Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2009 8:54 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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> Clearly they are beaming for SA...200 Qso's! That is
> ridiculous...73 de HK3CW Rob
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> ----- Original Message -----
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> From: Dale Frederick
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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> Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2009 9:40 PM
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> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA
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> I've noticed that thier index page
> http://glorieuses2008.free.fr/index-e.htm now has charts of contacts
> by zone as of September 29 at 15:40 or so
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> I think I could SWL what is probably a pirate on 30M around 23:00
today.
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> dale
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> KB5IY
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> On Wed, Sep 30, 2009 at 3:53 PM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
<joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
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> they are either very tired, or not very good at all.
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> A.R.S. W5TFW
> Richard J. Fiero II
> www.w5tfw.com
> www.6mt.com
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> Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !
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> John Wayne
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.409 / Virus Database: 270.14.1/2407 - Release Date:
> 10/01/09 06:34:00
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Yahoo! Groups Links

11127. [425ENG] 425 DX News #961

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 16:06:31 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11127 Message: 11127

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3V - DF1LON, DJ7IK, DJ8NK, DJ9CB and DL9USA will be active as 3V3S from Sousse, Tunisia from 23 November to 2 December, including an entry in the CW WW DX CW Contest. They will operate from the premises of 3V8SS, and they will donate their antennas (verticals and a Spiderbeam) to that Radio Club. QSL via DL9USA. A website is under construction at http://www.3V3S.tk [TNX DJ7IK]
4U1UN - 4U1UN will be active on 19-25 October on all bands and modes with a large team of operators (F4EGD, F5CWU, G3SXW, JK3GAD, K2DO, K2LE, K2QI, KA2D, KA2RTD, LA4OFA, LA5IIA, N2GA, N2UN, N2YBB, NN1N, OH0XX, OH2BH, OH2NB, OH6LI, PY5EG, UA9AB, W2VQ and WQ2N). Antennas and security access to the building are heavily restricted but the team will do their best to make this rare station available to all. Activity will be from 8 a.m. until midnight local time (12.00-04.00 UTC) each day. All-night activity is planned for 23 and 24 October. Some of the operators will form an international team for CQ WW DX SSB Contest participation in the "Two Transmitter" (M2) category. QSL via HB9BOU. LoTW upload will be done after the operation. [TNX OH2BN]
8R - Ed/PU8TEP, Abilio/PV8AZ, Paulo/PV8DX, Ivanildo/PV8IG, Ivan/PY1YB, Anderson/PY2TNT, Alex/PY2WAS and Peter/8R1WD will be active as 8R1PY from Lethem, Guyana from 31 October to 4 November. They plan to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and BPSK on 160-6 metres. QSL via PY2WAS, direct or bureau. [TNX PY2WAS]
CO - Celebrating the VII Conference of the Federacion de Radioaficiona-dos de Cuba, the Camaguey City Radio Club will operate as T47C on 3-4 and 10-11 October. Eight operators will be active on 160-10 metres (plus 2 metres) CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX CO7WT]
CT8 - The Radio Arcala team will be in action from the Azores starting 5 October for one week. Look for Martti, CU2KG (OH2BH); Juha, CU2KH (OH8NC) and Toni, CU2KI (OH2UA) on a variety of bands during a maintenance operation from their contest station CR2X (www.cu2a.com). QSL via home calls. [TNX OH2BH]

DL - Peter, DL3APO/p and Gerd, DL5AWI/p will be active from Hainich National Park on 5-7 October. They will operate CW and SSB on various HF bands. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX DL3APO]
EA8 - Jean, ON5JV and Georgette, ON6AK will be active as EA8/homecall from Tijoco Bajo, Tenerife Island (AF-004) between 20 November and 10 February 2010. Activity will be on 40-10 metres during their evenings. They plan to use 100 watts into a vertical 14AVQ. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX ON5JV]
FP - Eric, KV1J and Tom, W8TOM will be active as FP/KV1J and FP/W8TOM from Miquelon Island (NA-032) on 20-27 October. They plan to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 160-6 metres, and to participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as FP/KV1J. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Their logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Further information at http://www.kv1j.com/fp/october09.html
G - Dave, G4IAR and Judith, G4IAQ will be active as G4LAB/p from the Isles of Scilly (EU-011) on 9-19 October. QSL via G4IAR, direct only. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
HB9 - Special event station HB9SPACE will be active during the World Space Week (4-10 October) from the Amateur Radio Club at the Swiss Air Force Museum (http://www.hb4fr.ch) in Payerne, Switzerland. QSL via HB4FR (bureau) or HB9ACA (direct). [TNX The Daily DX]
I - Valeriano/IK5ABG, Giovanni/IK5BCM, Beppe/IK5CBE, Giovanni/IK5CRH and Enrico/IK5DFE will be active as IL7X from San Domino Island (EU-050, IIA FG-001) on 5-9 October. They plan to operate on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via IK5BCM. [TNX IK5BCM]
JW - Arne/LA7WCA as JW7WCA, Maurits/LA3XIA as JW3XIA and John/G4ATA as JW/G4ATA will be active from Svalbard on 8-13 October. They plan to operate SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls. More information is available at http://www.g4ata.co.uk [TNX G4ATA]
KH4 - The team for the 9-19 October K4M expedition to Midway Island [425DXN 935] includes 9V1YC, AA4NN, DJ9ZB, I8NHJ, K6TD, K9CT, KH7U, N1DG, N4PN, N4XP, N6HC, N7CQQ, ND2T, W6KK, W6OSP, W8GEX, WA7NB and WB4JTT. Announced frequencies are:
SSB 28475, 24945, 21295, 18145, 14200, 7078, 3799, 50115
CW 28024, 24894, 21024, 18074, 14024, 10104, 7004, 3504, 1826.5, 50115
RTTY 28080, 21080, 18100, 14080, 10140, 7040
An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be activated after the DXpedition goes QRT. You will be able to request your QSLs one of three ways: OQRS Direct, OQRS Bureau, direct mail to Midway 2009, Box 333, Bethlehem, Georgia 30620-9989, USA. All of the contacts will be uploaded to LoTW "within 12 months of the last QSO" at the latest (LoTW QSLling policy is detailed at www.midway2009.com).
KL - The Alaska 50th Anniversary of Statehood Special Event will be on the air from 18 UTC on 18 October until 6 UTC on the 19th. There will be fifteen or more stations on from around the state of Alaska all using KL5O on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. Operation will be scheduled to facilitate working North American stations,

though all stations worldwide are encouraged to participate. QSL confirmation will be electronically via LOTW and eQSL, and via mail to AC7DX. Further information on the event can be found at http://www.kl5o.com [TNX AC7DX]
OK - Special station OL22ASE (www.qrz.cz/ol22ase) will be active on 1-15 October for the Association of Space Explorers' XXII Planetary Congress to be held in Prague, Czech Republic on 4-10 October. QSL via OK1TIR, direct or bureau. [TNX OK1TIR]
PY0T - Four operators from the Rio DX Group (namely PY1NB, PY1ON, PY1YB and PY1ZV) will be active as ZY0T from Trindade (SA-010) from around 16 UTC on 11 October until around 6 UTC on the 16th (dates may vary depending on the schedule of the Brazilian Navy). They plan to operate SSB and CW with two stations on 160-10 metres. QSL via PY1NB (direct only). Further information can be found at http://riodxgroup.dxwatch.com/trindade-2009 [TNX PY1NB]
SP - Special event station HF35PEA will be active on all bands and modes from 1 October to 31 December to celebrate the 35th anniversary of Radio Club SP1PEA. QSL via SP1NQF, direct or bureau. [TNX SP1NQF]
TK - Look for Tony/IK2SNG, Augusto/IK4RQJ and Sergio/IZ4BBF to be active as TK/homecall from from Calenzana, Corsica (EU-014) on 8-12 October. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 10-40 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IK4RQJ]
VE - Noel, VE2BR and Gregg, VE3ZZ/Gregg will operate Multi-Single in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest with the special call VC2Z from Mercier, Quebec (Zone 5). QSL via VE2BR. [TNX VE3ZZ]
W - Special event station K4L will be active from Hunting Island (NA-110) on 17-18 October to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the lighthouse. QSL via K3LLH. Further information at http://pws.prserv.net/K4L/ [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
W - Members of the The St. Augustine Amateur Radio Society (N4AUG, www.saarsham.net) will be active from Lacosta Island (NA-069) on 17-18 October. They plan to be QRV on 20, 40 and 80 metres from about 12 UTC on the 17th until about 19 UTC on the 18th. QSL direct to N4AUG (St. Augustine Amateur Radio Society, P.O. Box 860084, Saint Augustine, FL 32086, USA). [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
YB - YC0IEM expects to be active as YC0IEM/8 from Ambon Island (OC-070) on 4-23 October. QSL via IZ8CCW.
YV - The Radio Club Venezolano will operate as YW8AJ from Monagas State on 9-12 October. QSL via YV5AJ, direct or bureau. Information on the Venezuelan States Award can be found at http://radioclubvenezolano.org/concurso.htm [TNX The Daily DX]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC NEWS ---> D2QMN's current operation from Angola has been approved for DXCC credit. Anyone who had this operation rejected in a recent DXCC submission can send a message to dxcc@... to be placed on the list to be updated. [TNX NC1L]

FT5GA ---> The on-line log (http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA) now contains 37285 QSOs (latest QSO at 15.20 UTC on 1 October) with 12171 unique callsigns. The team will remain on the island until 8 October. QSL via F5OGL, direct or bureau. As for LoTW, "uploading is not on the agenda to day", the FT5GA team says, "but we never said the log will not be uploaded in the future. We will have a lot of things to do before, for a long long time". [TNX F5NQL]

QSL ZK2V ---> The entire batch of direct ZK2V cards (about 1400 envelopes, confirming 2979 QSOs) was expected to be to the post office on 29 September, "with the exception of about 100-125 cards that require 'special handling'". Bureau cards will be tackled next. [TNX N3SL]

QSL STATISTIC ---> The idea beyond this service (http://adok.dyndns.org) is "to share the information stored in your local logger database with others - so when deciding wheter to send your paper QSL to a station you can take a look how others have received cards from that station". [TNX RX9TX]

QSL VIA W5KDJ ---> Wayne, W5KDJ (3DA0KDJ, 5R8KD, A25KDJ, C91KDJ, SV0WWW, TF2WJN, YN2KDJ) says he does not accept QSL cards via the bureau. He will only confirm direct cards with SASE or SAE + return postage, or via eQSL and LoTW.

SWL CLUSTER ---> DX Watch (http://www.dxwatch.com/), the popular Internet access for amateur radio DX cluster with additional tools, now has a newly born brother cluster devoted to SWL and general listening activity: http://swl.dxwatch.com [TNX PY2ZX]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

VHF-DATABASE ---> The latest issue of the VHF-DATABASE (2.60 - 10/2009) is now available to private users as well as DX-Cluster Sysops on MMMonVHF, the VHF-DX-Portal. Information can be found at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dbase.php [TNX DL8EBW]

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3DA0EL, 3DA0MH, 3DA0MM, 3DA0TB, 3DA0VA, 3G1M (SA-069), 4S7NE, 4X4DK, 4X4WN, 5K0T, 5V7PRF, 7P8MM, 7P8OK, 7P8YI, 7Q7BP, 7Q7HB, 7X4AN, 8Q7DV, 9J2FM, 9L1X, A25/DL7DF, A35ZS, A43DLH, A45XR, A92HB, AH6RQ, B1Z, BA7IO/4 (AS-136), BX0ZR, BX5AA, C21TI, C6AGU, CG200I (NA-128), CQ2I, CU2A, D44AC, D44TXS, DY1C (OC-120), EA9/KH0AM, EA9IB, EA9LS, ES3AX, EU3AR, EX2T, FM1FV, FT5YI, GB0SGB/p, GB5HOD, GB5KIL, GI0KOW, GJ6YB (EU-013), H44MY (OC-162), HA0NAR, HC8N, HR9/WQ7R, HV5PUL, JD1BMH, K5D, K7C, N6PYN/KL7 (NA-239), OJ0B, OJ0J, OY/LA6FJA, P29NI, PR5D (SA-047), PV8ADI, PX6T (SA-080), PX8M (SA-041), S04R, TI2KI, TJ3SL, TL0A, TM2HC, TM5EL (EU-094), TO3R, TO8YY, TY5ZR, UA0AV, UP5G, V31WC, V51YJ, V55X, V63MY (OC-259), V7XX, V85SS, V8AQM, VK0BP, VK9CNC, VK9GMW, VK9LA, VK9NI, VP2ETN, VP8YLH, VR2C, XX9TCC, XY3C, YJ8TZ, ZB2FK, ZC4LI, ZF2DX, ZF2ZB, ZK2V, ZK3AH, ZL7/SP5EAQ, ZX8A (SA-016).

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 16:25:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 10757 Message: 11128

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73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Buzz Jehle
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 1:21 PM
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11131. FT5GA Log Update

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 17:55:46 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11131 Message: 11131

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Nelson, KU0A

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Date: 2009-10-02 17:46:36 UTC
From: HK3CW
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Date: 2009-10-02 18:26:49 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 10757 Message: 11135
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Date: 2009-10-02 18:40:45 UTC
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Yahoo! Groups Links

11138. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA Log Update

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 19:29:06 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11131 Message: 11138

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On Fri, Oct 2, 2009 at 1:40 PM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

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11139. ARLP040 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 19:29:00 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6471 Message: 11139

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP040
ARLP040 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP40
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 40 ARLP040
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA October 2, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP040
ARLP040 Propagation de K7RA

With the appearance of two sunspots, the past eleven days had some nice HF propagation. Combined with quiet geomagnetic conditions and month after month of quiet sun, it seems quite a dramatic relief. Sunspot 1026 has faded away, and sunspot 1027, which appeared later than 1026 but actually led it in the sun's rotation, has just rotated out of view, over the sun's western limb. You could see this early Friday morning by viewing the STEREO animation at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/.

Remember that the 0 degree meridian is facing us, and the two 90 degree longitudinal marks are at the sun's eastern and western horizons. It seems odd, since we are accustomed to viewing an atlas with west on the left and east to the right, but when we say a sunspot is rotating over the western limb, it is moving to the right, from our point of view.

Early Friday morning (evening on the West Coast in North America) you could see that Northern Heliosphere bright spot just beyond the +90 degree mark. There is a bright spot in the Southern Heliosphere where I think sunspot 1026 was, but it doesn't appear as a sunspot to any of the observatories that track them. This can be puzzling, because if I look at a spot that bright via the STEREO animation that appears to the left, beyond the eastern limb past -90 degrees, I might assume that is a sunspot coming our way.

Perhaps someone is expecting a reappearance of either 1026 or 1027, because if we look at the October 1 forecast from the U.S. Air Force and NOAA at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html, it shows an expectation of a rising solar flux above 70 beginning October 17. It looks like a spot isn't expected any time soon, as they have the predicted solar flux for Friday (today) and Saturday, October 2-3 at 70, then down to 69 for October 4-8, 68 on October 9-14, then rising back to 70, then 72 for October 17-28. This

forecast is likely to change, and is updated daily.

The same forecast projects very quiet geomagnetic conditions, with a planetary A index of five off into the indefinite future. Sunspot number on Thursday, October 1 was 11, same as Wednesday, and today's is likely to be zero.

The three-month moving average of sunspot numbers, which now includes data from September, is the same as last month's three month average, which was calculated from sunspot numbers for June through August. It seems that both June and September had identical average sunspot numbers, so for the latest reading, the June data was dropped, the September data added, and the same 3-month average of 4.0 is the result.

The monthly averages of daily sunspot numbers for January through September were 2.81, 2.54, 0.77, 1.27, 3.97, 6.6, 5.07, 0.39 and 6.6.

Our three-month moving average always is labeled with the middle month, so with the September data, we now have the August average, which is for July, August and September.

For October 2008 through August 2009, the moving average is 4.52, 4.39, 3.62, 2.19, 2.02, 1.49, 2.01, 4.23, 5.2, 4 and 4.

Dan Prebenda, K9DP of Richmond, Indiana is back on the air after 10 years QRT, and is frustrated trying to work fairly short skip on 30 and 40 meters CW around noon to 3:00 PM local time (1600-1900z when local time is Eastern Daylight Time, which ends November 1 this year). He is experiencing a lot of fading, and the stations he is trying to work are about 300 to 700 miles away, mostly to the east and south of him.

Dan wonders if 30 meters will get better for this path with higher sunspot counts?

I suggested he test some paths and seasonal variation using W6ELprop, which is free at http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/. Using either zero or a smoothed sunspot number of 10, it looks like 40 meters is the best band, although 30 meters looks good 700 miles out to the southwest. I used 39.826 degrees north latitude, 84.896 degrees west longitude for Dan's location, based on the address in his FCC licensing record.

Philadelphia is about 500 miles almost directly east of him. At that distance, 30 meters doesn't look good until the smoothed sunspot number gets above 50, which is not where we are in the cycle. Same thing with Atlanta, at about 400 miles, almost due south. But Dallas at about 800 miles and 237 degrees looks a lot better, with strong signals on 30 meters, 1400-2300 UTC (10am to 7pm EDT) and a smoothed sunspot number of 2.

But 40 meters looks great for any of those paths, even with no sunspots, and he can test some assumptions using W6ELprop. He can look at any path on different dates, too, and should see seasonal variations.

Instead of solar flux, use sunspot number with W6ELprop. If the program isn't set for sunspot number in the options, just precede the number by the letter S. The program is designed to give a rough forecast using the predicted smoothed sunspot number for the month. It was 9 for September, 10 for October. The most recent prediction is in PRF1774 at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/ on page 8. There may be a new prediction next week in PRF1779. In the past couple of weeks, when we have actually had sunspots, I would average the three latest known sunspot numbers (a day's number is not available until the evening) from http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt.

The smoothed number changes for any month because it is based on actual sunspot numbers for the previous six months, and predicted sunspot numbers for about 6 months into the future. So the only smoothed sunspot numbers that we know for sure are at least six months old because they are all based on real sunspot data, with nothing predicted.

To use current numbers, on September 26 during the day the three latest known sunspot numbers were 31, 32 and 25, which averages to about 29.3. You can get the latest mid-latitude K index from WWV off the air, or at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/wwv.txt or by calling 303-497-3235. It is updated every three hours.

Meyersdale, PA is about 300 miles due east of Dan, and for that short skip, 80 meters is the only realistic option, except for a dead period, 0230-1100 UTC. 40 meters is possible from 1600-1800 UTC, but the odds are against it on most days (this time of year). It looks better in the spring, 1600-2200 UTC, and a LOT better when we get some sunspots.

Von Weddige, W5COW of Hope, New Mexico (how did I guess his was a vanity callsign?) reported a surprising six meter opening on September 22. He made 19 contacts on SSB in 31 minutes, from 0022-0053z. Von is in gridsquare DM72, and he worked stations in EM53, EM54, EM57, EM63, EM68, EM73, EM75, EM79, EM81, EM86, EM89, EN50, EN70, and EN71.

In last week's bulletin, ARLP039, Ken Tata, K1KT talked about interesting conditions on two meters from his location in Rhode Island during a weeknight VHF sprint. Leo Halverson, WA2AMW commented in response, "These conditions aren't all that rare at this time of year, although I usually encountered them later at night. They often go undetected because most of these openings happen during work-nights, when most people are asleep. I worked the second shift for many years and encountered these conditions during the homeward-bound commute".

"I found that they were most common, of greater duration, and with longer-distance propagation during the first two weeks of October. I also noticed that they were much more likely to occur on nights when a (mostly low) ground-fog had risen and was very wide-spread and thick, but very clear above. It also seemed that the sky was very clear and with good visibility of stars and distant high-altitude aircraft. The stars even seemed to have an extra twinkle to them".

"One night we had a round-table going on one of the shore town Repeaters, with stations from Nova Scotia to Kitty Hawk, NC. One guy was on a Hand-held in his garage in Virginia Beach. I could copy all the stations on the input frequency on my mobile dual-band. The opening started fading out about 0330 hrs EST".

"I never did find out why the ground-fog was so indicative of these openings".

"I'm glad to be working the day-shift, but I sure do miss those Autumn midnight commutes".

Ken responded, "I don't have decades-long experience with fall tropo conditions, but Leo described the conditions to a 'T.' It was virtually dead calm. I also noticed the sky overhead was unusually clear. The stars did not twinkle and seemed a bit brighter than usual, perhaps because convection currents were minimal. We do get occasional ground fog here at this time of year but I didn't see any. As it cooled on my hilltop that evening the formerly clear conditions gave way to a soaking fog at about 9:30. I was about 8 miles north of the beach and two miles west of Narragansett Bay".

"I think ground fog is not just an indicator. It's a medium with higher mass than the clear air above. It slows the lower part of the wavefront relative to the clear air above, tending to bend the wave along the surface of the earth. Leo's observation of a '...(mostly low) ground-fog had risen...' seems right on".

"As far as being not all that rare, well, I'll pay closer attention from now on. It was still a fun contest. And while I have experienced more extensive tropo propagation than that, I don't think I've ever heard so much widespread activity on two".

Walt commented, "I vaguely remember someone telling me (years ago) that he thought the ground-fog could be (but not always) an indication of a temperature inversion or some other atmospheric anomaly that created some kind of ducting which quite often ran parallel to the shore line. Thinking back, I did notice during those events that the propagation was no where near as long-distance east-west as it was north-south. I wonder if that extra twinkle I thought I noticed in the stars was also there because of some atmospheric thing going on?"

Tim Hickman, N3JON confirmed that his long-path contact with VK4MA, mentioned in last week's bulletin, was in fact on 20 meters.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for September 24 through 30 were 32, 25, 14, 11, 11, 14, and 11 with a mean of 16.9. 10.7 cm flux was 74.6, 72.4, 71.8, 72.3, 73.2, 72.3, and 72 with a mean of 72.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 2, 3, 8, 8, 2 and 4 with a mean of 4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 1, 3, 8, 6, 0 and 5 with a mean of 3.4.
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11140. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Log Update

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 20:56:47 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11131 Message: 11140

Never, I only had a vertical back then, and I could never hear him.

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 1:41 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA Log Update

How many times did you work P5RS7?

73s John AA5JG

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From: Nelson Moyer <ku0a@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA Log Update
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11141. RE: [DX-IS] FT5GA Log Update

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 22:22:27 UTC
From: (no author)
Topic: 11131 Message: 11141

Oh Oh, here we go again with P5RS7 !!

I have all 3 Q's confirmed. Nice looking cards.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: w9sz.zack@gmail.com
Date: Fri, 2 Oct 2009 14:29:06 -0500
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11142. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 19:52:12 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10757 Message: 11142

Can anyone explain to me the source of the tremendous audio distortion I heard on the team's signals yesterday around 1800Z on 15M SSB? From my location I have to shoot almost directly over the top of the northern magnetic pole. Was this just the auroral flutter from Hell? They were almost totally unintelligible from NA-West.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
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11143. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 19:46:42 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10757 Message: 11143

At 09:04 AM 10/2/2009, someone wrote:
>I think the world saw in the Glorioso announcement what it wanted to see
>and this operation has been a great disappointment to the people who didn't
>bother to read the fine print.

"The fine print"? You mean where it said this team of operators
would spend five years of their lives putting together the best
operation possible so *WE* could sit in our shacks and have a chance
of working Glorioso? Where it said that propagation and conditions
would be difficult, but that this was the best they could do for
US? Where it said that even though they couldn't put Glorioso in
their own logs, they would do everything they could so we could put
it in *OURS*?

And in return for all of this, they are reviled on the air and
written off here as a "disappointment." If you want to talk about
disappointments, talk about ZS8T, but don't talk about these
soldier/operators who are working their butts off to give us a shot
at a rare country.

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Dick Flanagan K7VC
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11144. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 19:34:02 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10757 Message: 11144

At 09:04 AM 10/2/2009, you wrote:
>You know, Art, you talk about poor propagation. Well, you guys who are
>closer to the equator than I really don't know how bad propagation can be.
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>For instance, this morning I saw a spot that FT5GA was on 15 CW (which I
>would like for a new mode on 15) and so I went there. Nothing to be heard
>but I sat and tuned around the spotted frequency until, some 10-12 minutes
>later, a faint signal was heard. As it increased marginally in strength
>and although the operator did not give his call, I was fairly certain it
>was, indeed, FT5GA. As the signal started to get a bit stronger, I started
>to call. To no avail, I'm afraid, because the signals south and west of me
>were also getting stronger at the receiving end.
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>I "think" one VE1 may have gotten through (the QSB and band noise were
>brutal) but it was not until the station (still unidentified) peaked about
>S-2, that I started to call in earnest. Just as the peaks were S-3 or a
>tad more, the station suddenly announced 18150 and was gone.
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>Another day my shot on 15 was gone.
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>My only QSO, so far, has been on 20M CW (also a needed mode) and I have
>worked two pirates. One outta three ain't good :-). But I will soldier on
>until the last day.
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>Quite honestly, I am far more interested in 3D20CR because I have only got
>one QSL from Conway on 20 SSB. So I need that for an overall new CW
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>a lot easier to find than FT5GA has been because they're a real DXpedition.
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>Subject: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA
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>The poor prop to/from SA may be a lot of the problem. A little over three
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>good condx the first week - SFI was in the 80s. On the day of the IARU
>contest, prop went on holiday. This was during the same time frame when the
>WRTC from Brazil was going on. We never worked a single one of the ops in
>that contest! Not even any PY or LU who weren't in the contest. The only
>E/W prop we had for almost the entire last week was to Australia.
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11145. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11145

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 02 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 275 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (03-05 October).
III. Event Probabilities 03 Oct-05 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Oct 072
Predicted 03 Oct-05 Oct 070/069/069
90 Day Mean 02 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 Oct 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Oct 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Oct-05 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Oct-05 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11146. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-02 23:58:03 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10757 Message: 11146

Dick,

I've worked them on 15, 17, and 20 meter phone and 17 meter CW for two new band countries from Iowa, and I'm not particularly impressed with the operation because so many North American hams are still looking for the first Q. They CAN put a decent signal into North America when they CHOOSE to do so. Unfortunately, they haven't CHOOSEN to do so lately. The solar conditions have improved since the operation began, yet the Q rate to NA has declined. Go figure!

Nelson, KU0A

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dick Flanagan
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 2:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

At 09:04 AM 10/2/2009, someone wrote:
>I think the world saw in the Glorioso announcement what it wanted to see
>and this operation has been a great disappointment to the people who didn't
>bother to read the fine print.

"The fine print"? You mean where it said this team of operators would spend five years of their lives putting together the best operation possible so *WE* could sit in our shacks and have a chance of working Glorioso? Where it said that propagation and conditions would be difficult, but that this was the best they could do for *US*? Where it said that even though they couldn't put Glorioso in their own logs, they would do everything they could so we could put it in *OURS*?

And in return for all of this, they are reviled on the air and written off here as a "disappointment." If you want to talk about disappointments, talk about ZS8T, but don't talk about these soldier/operators who are working their butts off to give us a shot at a rare country.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@... <mailto:dick%40k7vc.com>

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11147. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-03 00:18:55 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 10757 Message: 11147

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Nelson Moyer
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 7:58 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

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>>>Perhaps they've been reading your remarks, Nelson.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

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11148. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-03 00:31:52 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 10757 Message: 11148

Maybe so, I hope Bill Moore is also taking notice.

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 7:19 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

>>>AA6YQ comments below

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Nelson Moyer
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 7:58 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

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dick@... <mailto:dick%40k7vc.com>

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11149. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-03 01:36:20 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10757 Message: 11149

Heard them at times on 20 this afternoon. S5 noise made it tough. Looked at the national weather service radar, and looks like the Great Lakes and NE had some weather... 17M would have been better for me around 2200 - 0000Z. But even on 20 they just move somewhere else or QRT just before the higher SNR happens out here. CW would be optimal, the narrow filters help with the noise. I'll keep plugging as my schedule allows, took today off just like last Friday, but no joy. That's the way it goes!

On Fri, Oct 2, 2009 at 6:31 PM, Nelson Moyer <ku0a@...> wrote:

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> Maybe so, I hope Bill Moore is also taking notice.
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> -----Original Message-----
> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf Of
> *Dave AA6YQ
> *Sent:* Friday, October 02, 2009 7:19 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@...m
> *Subject:* RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA
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> *Nelson Moyer
> *Sent:* Friday, October 02, 2009 7:58 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA
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> band countries from Iowa, and I'm not particularly impressed with the
> operation because so many North American hams are still looking for the

> first Q. They CAN put a decent signal into North America when they CHOOSE to
> do so. Unfortunately, they haven’t CHOOSEN to do so lately. The solar
> conditions have improved since the operation began, yet the Q rate to NA has
> declined. Go figure!
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> >>>Perhaps they've been reading your remarks, Nelson.
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> 73,
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> Dave, AA6YQ
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> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf Of
> *Dick Flanagan
> *Sent:* Friday, October 02, 2009 2:47 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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> would spend five years of their lives putting together the best
> operation possible so *WE* could sit in our shacks and have a chance
> of working Glorioso? Where it said that propagation and conditions
> would be difficult, but that this was the best they could do for
> *US*? Where it said that even though they couldn't put Glorioso in
> their own logs, they would do everything they could so we could put
> it in *OURS*?
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> And in return for all of this, they are reviled on the air and
> written off here as a "disappointment." If you want to talk about
> disappointments, talk about ZS8T, but don't talk about these
> soldier/operators who are working their butts off to give us a shot
> at a rare country.
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> Dick
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> Dick Flanagan K7VC

> dick@... <dick%40k7vc.com>
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11150. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-03 02:33:18 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10757 Message: 11150

At 06:36 PM 10/2/2009, Dale Frederick wrote:
>Heard them at times on 20 this afternoon. S5 noise made it tough.
>Looked at the national weather service radar, and looks like the
>Great Lakes and NE had some weather... 17M would have been better
>for me around 2200 - 0000Z. But even on 20 they just move somewhere
>else or QRT just before the higher SNR happens out here.

Same thing yesterday. I spent two hours calling and calling and
calling before finally getting them on 17M phone.

Today I spent two hours calling and calling and calling before
finally getting them on 20M phone.

Both days reception was so bad I could at best almost make out ever other word.

If it was easy, etc., etc.

I am just glad they are there.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11151. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-03 03:47:13 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10757 Message: 11151

At 07:33 PM 10/2/2009, I wrote:
>Same thing yesterday. I spent two hours calling and calling and
>calling before finally getting them on 17M phone.

That should be 15M.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11152. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-03 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11152

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 03 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 276 Issued at 2200Z on 03 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 02/2100Z
to 03/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 02/2100Z to 03/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (04-06 October).
III. Event Probabilities 04 Oct-06 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 03 Oct 072
Predicted 04 Oct-06 Oct 070/069/069
90 Day Mean 03 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 02 Oct 000/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 03 Oct 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 04 Oct-06 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 04 Oct-06 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11153. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-04 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11153

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 04 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 277 Issued at 2200Z on 04 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 03/2100Z
to 04/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. The solar disk remains
spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 03/2100Z to 04/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. A sudden impulse of 18 nT occurred
at the Boulder magnetometer at 04/0422Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quit for the next three days (05-07 October).
III. Event Probabilities 05 Oct-07 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 Oct 071
Predicted 05 Oct-07 Oct 070/069/069
90 Day Mean 04 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 Oct 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 04 Oct 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 05 Oct-07 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 05 Oct-07 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11154. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 02:13:43 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10757 Message: 11154

Just checked their online log statistics, 44K QSO's. Bummer, still nothing
for me. And so the game goes...
dale
KB5IY

On Fri, Oct 2, 2009 at 9:47 PM, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

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11155. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 02:56:32 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 11155

I worked stations signing FT5GA on 15 and 20 CW and 20 SSB this afternoon. The station on 20 CW showed up about half an hour after the 15m station went QRT. Both CW signals had the same identical sound and a slight chirp. Pirate or not, I am sure the same rig was being used to make the QSO's on these two bands.

The station on 20 CW said at about 2120Z that they were going to be QRT till 0600Z. I wouldn't think a pirate would announce that but you never know. Packet spots abounded, with many people saying the beam heading was correct and no one saying it wasn't. A lot of people still felt they were pirates. I guess I'll find out tomorrow if any of them were pirates. I feel that the chances are pretty good that the SSB station on 14260 was for real. It was the same voice that showed up a little earlier on 14215 signing FT5GA.

Keep trying! They are QRV till the 8th.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Oct 4, 2009 at 9:13 PM, Dale Frederick <dale.kb5iy@...> wrote:

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11156. Condx on the improve

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 04:37:04 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11156 Message: 11156

Hi Guys,

I think conditions are now on the move upwards. 20m was open last night (pretty well worldwide from VK) even to the Pacific! Which I haven't seen for quite some time (though we are approaching summer down under).

How's everyone doing with the Conway operation? I think the German guys are doing a pretty good job. It has been a bit frustrating when they are ardent at 'EU Only' but I guess it's a very rare one for EU and the daily band openings are short.

I keep missing the Austral guys on SSB and RTTY but I guess they are mainly a CW operation...

So with Glorioso, Austral, Mayotte and Conway all on air at the same time (and Midway to come) wow, we have to smile don't we?

Good luck to all,

73, Lance - VK6DU

11157. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 18:56:01 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10757 Message: 11157

I worked the pirate on 30M the other night...
I've dropped by the house during lunch and they are in the noise here on
both 20 and 15. I am going to hang around a little while and see if they
come up. Based on propagation forecasts, 15 is marginal at best from here
today. It looks like around 2100Z on 17 is the better bet. I can't do the
2100Z today but will be prowling during the evening.

On he other hand, the 3D20CR has been a snap, but I had an early con call
(6:30AM MDT) and really need to hit the 80 CW opening to them.

dale

On Sun, Oct 4, 2009 at 8:56 PM, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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> I worked stations signing FT5GA on 15 and 20 CW and 20 SSB this afternoon.
> The station on 20 CW showed up about half an hour after the 15m station went
> QRT. Both CW signals had the same identical sound and a slight chirp. Pirate
> or not, I am sure the same rig was being used to make the QSO's on these two
> bands.
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11158. 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 21:04:55 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11158 Message: 11158

Beginning to wonder if I am missing a couple of elements on my antenna.

Propogation forecasts give Conway a high to fair chance in the late afternoon on 20/17/15. Boy just a whisper on 17 and then fade. Zip on 15. And zip on 20.

80/40/30 are just as expected with great reception if you like the middle on the night.

Has NE USA (especially MA) erected some type of propagation block?

Bob KB1JZU

11159. Re: 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 21:07:01 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11158 Message: 11159

Of course I meant 3D20CR....no many to deal with this week

11160. Re: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 21:26:35 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11158 Message: 11160

Bob,
I'm sure it's a matter of luck and time.
Time to listen to the prop'd frequencies for the whole duration of the
prop. day after day.
Lucky if they hear you in the pile.
I've only heard FT5GA once (30M) and worked him
I've only heard 3D20CR once (15M ssb) and worked him.
I almost didn't try 15 ssb because he was barely readable here in GA.
15 mins after the qso he was very readable for another half hour and
then gone.

Both with 200w and a 80m doublet up 60' on one end and 40' on the other end.
I hope you have the time to spend and the luck to be heard Bob.
73 frank w0ecs

Robert wrote:
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> Beginning to wonder if I am missing a couple of elements on my antenna.
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> Propogation forecasts give Conway a high to fair chance in the late
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> 15. And zip on 20.
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> 80/40/30 are just as expected with great reception if you like the
> middle on the night.
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> Has NE USA (especially MA) erected some type of propagation block?
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> Bob KB1JZU
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11161. RE: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 21:35:14 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11158 Message: 11161

Same experience here, Bob. He's on 20 SSB right now but I have an S-7
noise level and can't hear a blessed thing.

Good luck & 73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Frank T Brady
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 6:27 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

Bob,
I'm sure it's a matter of luck and time.
Time to listen to the prop'd frequencies for the whole duration of the
prop. day after day.
Lucky if they hear you in the pile.
I've only heard FT5GA once (30M) and worked him I've only heard 3D20CR once
(15M ssb) and worked him.
I almost didn't try 15 ssb because he was barely readable here in GA.
15 mins after the qso he was very readable for another half hour and then
gone.

Both with 200w and a 80m doublet up 60' on one end and 40' on the other
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I hope you have the time to spend and the luck to be heard Bob.
73 frank w0ecs

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Yahoo! Groups Links

11162. 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 21:31:16 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11158 Message: 11162

its a conspiracy !

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----- Original Message -----
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11163. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #928

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-04 22:09:40 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11163 Message: 11163

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 27th-September, through Sunday, 4th-October there were 225 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3D2/c, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FP, FR, FR/g, FS, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP5, VP8, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update). The 3D20CR is now active until October 10th. As of Saturday, October 3rd, the team has made some 12k QSOs. Most of the activity has been on 160/80/40/20/17 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via DJ8NK, by the bureau or direct (new IRCs are OK, old IRCs with expiration date of "31 Dec. 2009" are "NOT" OK. QSL cards are most likely to be sent out in January 2010). For more details and possible

updates, see their Web page at: http://www.conwayreef2009.de
Also watch QRZ.com for updates at: http://www.qrz.com/db/3d20cr

3V, TUNISIA. A German team will operate from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" (3V8SS) in Sousse, using a special callsign 3V3S between November 23rd and December 2nd. Operators mentioned are: Andy/DJ7IK, Jan/DJ8NK, Guenter/DJ9CB, Andreas/DL9USA and Lars/DF1LON. The team will set up, and use a spiderbeam and verticals antennas. All antennas will be donated to the 3V8SS station. Look for them to also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL9USA. A Web page will be active soon at: http://www.3V3S.tk

4U1UN ACTIVITY WEEK (October 19-25th). A press release by Jarmo, OH2BN, states (edited): "4U1UN - United Nations Headquarters, New York - This DXCC entity will be active from October 19-25th, on all bands, all modes, with a team of well-known DX and contest operators: OH2BH, OH0XX, OH2NB, OH6LI, G3SXW, F5CWU, F4EGD, PY5EG, JK3GAD, UA9AB, LA5IIA LA4OFA, NN1N, K2QI, KA2RTD, K2LE, N2UN, N2GA, K2DO, N2YBB, KA2D, WQ2N and W2VQ. Antennas and security access to the building are heavily restricted but the team will do their best to make this rare station available to all.
Activity will be from 8AM until midnight local time (1200-0400 UTC) each day. All-night activity is planned for Friday the 23rd and Saturday the 24th of October. Some of the operators will form an international team for CQ World-Wide SSB Contest participation in the 'Two Transmitter' (M2) category. QSL via HB9BOU. LoTW upload will be done after the operation.
It is highly appreciated if you are able to distribute through your publications. 73 es tnx de Johnny, NQ2G / LA5IIA."

ADDED NOTE: Look for 4U64UN to be active until mid-November. Activity is to celebrate the 64th annual UN General Assembly. Activity is expected to be on all band and modes. QSL via HB9BOU or LoTW. Please note that the logs will be uploaded to LoTW once this event is over. QSL cards are expected to be mailed out sometime in December 2009.

8P, BARBADOS. Brian, ND3F, will be active as 8P9SS between November 22nd and December 2nd. Activity will probably be on all bands, but he will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to ND3F.

9H, MALTA. Andreas, DL9USA, will be active from Comino Island (EU-023) between October 15-22nd. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via his home callsign.

A2, BOTSWANA. Mike, K9NW, will be active as A25NW between November 23rd and December 1st. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

A5, BHUTAN. Just a reminder that Yasuo, JA1FJJ, will be active as A52FJJ between October 8-20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He plans to use 500 watts into a G5RV antenna. QSL via his

home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

AH6, HAWAII. Once again the members of the "Coconut Wireless Contest Club" will be active as AH6XX in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Rich/K2WR, Tetsuo/AH7C and Kan/JA1BK (KH6BK). QSL via LoTW, or direct to K2WR.

AM3, SPAIN. Members of the AM3SSB Contest Team will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA3JW. Operators mentioned are: Eugeni/EA3QP, Marcel/EA3IN, Jaime/EA3JW, Joan/EA3GEG, Martin/EC3ACS, Albert/YV3AZC and Jose/EA5DFV.

CR2, AZORES. Toni, OH2UA, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH. For more details, visit the Web page at: http://www.cu2a.com

CU2, AZORES ISLANDS. A press release by Martti, OH2BH, states (edited): "You may catch the Radio Arcala team in action from the Azores starting Monday, October 5th, for one week. Look for Martti/OH2BH (CU2KG), Juha/ OH8NC (CU2KH) and Toni/OH2UA (CU2KI) on a variety of bands during a maintenance operation from their contest station CR2X <http://www.cu2a.com>. QSLs CBA via home calls."

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
5N0OCH - Nigeria; Current Operation (Logs in LoTW)
5N0EME - Nigeria; 2009 Operation
D2QMN - Angola; Current operation
Anyone who had this operation rejected in a recent DXCC submission can send a message to dxcc@... to be placed on the list to be updated.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. A German team of operators will activate the URE Las Palmas section radio club station EA8URL during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via address on QRZ.com. Operators mentioned are: Hans-Juergen/DB7QJ, Tobias/DH1TW, Heijo/DJ1OJ, Simon/DJ4MZ, Hajo/DJ9MH, Stefan/DJ9NMH, Manfred/DK2OY, Matthias/DK4YJ, Ulf/DK5TX, Christoph/DK9TN, Renate/DL2MY, Ron/DL3BPC, Holger/DL5KUT and Bernhard/DL6RAI. For more info on EA8URL, visit their Web page at: http://www.ea8url.com

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (Update). The FT5GA team continues to be on the air and is trying to satisfy the international Ham radio community. As of October 4th, they have made just under 43k QSOs with 13.4k unique callsigns (20256/CW, 18342/SSB and 4106/RTTY). This will be the last week to work them. The Web page is now reporting that the team will be active until October 8th. They are also planning to pay more attention to 160 and 80 meters CW to the USA, even if these bands are very very noisy. For updates, visit the FT5GA Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr QSL Manager is F5OGL: Didier Senmartin, P.O. Box 7, F-53320 LOIRON, FRANCE. Online log is available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA

ADDED NOTE (FT5GA Pirates): Carl, N4AA, editor of "QRZ DX, sent out the following press release October 1st: "Hello DXers:
This is a SPECIAL BULLETIN and the following will reveal why.
I have been contacted by a person (who I will NOT name) who has the capability to pin point (very accurately) the source of an on the air signal. What I am saying is this person has the professional equipment and the expertise to monitor a signal on the ham bands and determine to a very narrow area where that signal is coming from.
Apparently there was a pirate on 10114 last night signing FT5GA. That signal was NOT coming from Glorioso, it was coming from QUEBEC in CANADA, NNE of Montreal.
On two other days pirate signals were monitored signing FT5GA, one was coming from LATVIA and the other from the SOUTH COAST OF SICILY.
These pirates should be relatively easy for 'local' DXers to find. They need to be specifically identified and pressure brought to bear on them to cease their deliberate and illegal activities.
The 'source' that I mentioned above will continue to provide periodic reports like this, and I will continue to publish the locations of these irresponsible persons. I ask for those within the areas identified pay particular attention and use whatever means are available to them to put a stop to these activities.
Your cooperation with the identification of these pirates will be appreciated by all of us."

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Operators Marc/F1HAR, Herve/F5HRY, Gerard/F6FGZ, Laurent/F6FVY, Sebastien/F8CMF and Didier/FY5FY will be active as FY5KE during the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via FY5KE, by the Bureau or direct.

G6, ENGLAND. Operators Paul/G6PZ, Mark/M0DXR, Simon/M0CLW, Peter/M3PHP and Simon/2E0CVN will be active as G6PZ during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via G6PZ, by the Bureau or direct. Visit the G6PZ contest station Web site at: http://www.g6pz.com

GJ/MJ, JERSEY (EU-013). Rich, K2WR, will once again be active as MJ0AWR before the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). For activity during the contest, look for him to use the callsign GJ2A and be a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL GJ2A via K2WR or GJ3DVC. QSL MJ0AWR via K2WR.

II1, ITALY (Special Event/WAP Station). Look for special event station II1CAM (WAP-177) to be on the air until October 15th. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the airport at Cameri, logistic and technologic pole of the Italian Air Force (see the following Web page: http://www.aeronautica.difesa.it/SitoAM/Default.asp?idsez=3D2956&idente=3D=412).
The WAP (Worldwide Antarctic Program) has always worked close to the Italian Air Force (IAF) which devotes its personnel every year to the Antarctic Missions. The WAP is joining in on the celebration of the Cameri AFB and a special thanks goes to A.R.I. Sezione di Gallarate (IQ2GM) for this brand new II1CAM (WAP-177) callsign on the air. QSL via IW2MNO. More info and WAP news can be found on the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-011. Operators Dave/G4IAR and Judith/G4IAQ will be active as G4LAB/p
from the Isles of Scilly between October 9-19th. Activity will
be on the HF bands, on or near the usual island and IOTA
frequencies. QSL via G4IAR, direct only (QRZ.com).

OC-070. (Postponed) Hotang, YC0IEM, will be active as YC0IEM/8 from
Ambon Island between October 12-30th (not October 4-12th as
first announced). Bands and modes of activity were not provided.
QSL via IZ8CCW.

OC-203. (RARE IOTA). Operators Paul/ZL4PW and Ray/VK4HDX plan to
activate Stewart Island between March 19-30th, 2010. Last
activation was in 2007 for 48 hours, and before that in 2004.
Previous operations were generally CW. These operators plan to
be active on all modes on 160-15 meters. They may also partici-
pate in CQ WPX SSB Contest too. Paul and Ray have purchased
the majority of equipment for this operation, as well as
covering travel and food costs to Stewart Island. They are
currently looking for donations/funds to assist in the purchase
of a couple of items missing from their list. They still need:
* Antenna phasing device for 2 element phased arrays for 30/40m
* A solid-state linear amplifier
If you feel you can help, please contact Paul at:
zl4pw@...
A Web site is currently under construction for this DXpedition.
Stay tuned for more info.

J45, DODECANESE. Martin, ON4PO, will be active as J45PO between October
21-29th. Operations will be from the SX5P contest station on Rhodes
Islands, so look for activity before and after the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 24-25th), especialy on 40 meters. During the contest, Martin
will be the 40m operator. QSL via J45PO via ON4PO.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Keith, KJ5YU, is currently in GITMO and will be
there until February 2010. He is expected to sign KG4YU. No QSNs have
been reported yet nor what bands or modes he will be using. QSL via KJ5YU.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLANDS (OC-030). Just a reminder that a multi-national team
of 18 operators will activate Midway Island (OC-030) between October
9-19th. The team will sign K4M and will operate from Sand Island (Reference
numbers: USI OI-011S and Grid AL18). The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service has
authorized this amateur operation from this rare U.S. entity for only a
10 day period -- the first radio activity in almost 10 years. Midway Island
ranks number 24 world-wide and number 13 in Europe on the DX Magazine□s
□Most Wanted List□. The updated team member list consists of operators:
Joe/AA4NN, Franz/DJ9ZB, Max/I8NHJ, Kevin/K6TD, Kimo/KH7U, Craig/K9CT,
Don/N1DG, Tom/ND2T, Paul/N4PN, Tom/N4XP, Arnold/N6HC, John/N7CQQ, Dave/
WB4JTT, Charlie/W6KK, Bruce/W6OSP, Art/WA7NB, Joe/W8GEX and James/9V1YC.
In addition to the on the air team members, K4M is ably assisted by the
following off island support team: Don/AA1V (Web support/online logs),
Markus/DL9RCF (European Fund Raising), Dan/W5DNT (Logistics), Paul/W6XA

(Radio Setup and Testing) and Margarett(XYL AA4NN - Finance), Janet/W8CAA (Fundraising) and Vrata/OK1KT (QSL Card Procurement). Activity will be on 160-6 meters with 5 to 6 stations. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3799, 7078, 14200, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28475 kHz
RTTY - 7040, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50115/CW and 50118/SSB
For more details, updates, online log, frequencies and bios, go to:
http://www.midway2009.com
QSL via online QSL Service, direct (Midway 2009, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620-9989 USA) or LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For October 5-11th)....
Oct 5 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Oct 6 AN ---------------
Oct 7 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct 8 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct 9 AN LN - Low Normal
Oct 10 AN
Oct 11 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
ADDED NOTES BY LEE: Lee states, "It should be noted that some of the of the best DX'ing may be expected between October 17-28th. Always check the low bands....."

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Ops are safe!). Lee, KH6BZF, informs OPDX this past week that Larry, AH8LG, "American Samoa Amateur Radio Association" (ASARA) President, his XYL Uti/KH8FO and family are safe and sound after the tsunami hit KH8-land. He is currently on P/V solar power as the island power is spotty at best. Larry's shop in Pago Pago harbor did sustain some damage. KH8AA is reportedly also safe.

LZ44, BULGARIA (WFF Op!). Members of the Balkan Contest Club (LZ1KZA) will organize a "World Flora Fauna" (WFF) expedition from Biosphere Reserve "Srebarna" (LZFF-016, WW. Loc. KN34MC) between October 9-11th. Their callsign will be LZ44WFF, and activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via the Bureau to LZ1KZA.

OL7, CZECH REPUBLIC. Members of the Czech HF Contest Team (OL7R) will be active using a special callsign, OK0K, in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry in Zone 15. QSL via OK1WMV, direct is preferred.

PA9, NETHERLANDS. Marcel, PA9M, will be active from PA6Z superstation during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via PA9M. Visit the PA6Z superstation Web page at: http://www.pa6z.nl/index.html

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Operators John/K4BAI and Don/W4OC will be active as PJ4/homecall from K2NG/PJ4G rental QTH on Bonaire (IOTA SA-006, WLOTA L1279) between November 24th and December 1st. Also look for them to be active as PJ4A during the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL all callsigns via K4BAI. E-mail requests for bureau cards will be accepted.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
4W6AL UPDATE. Toze, CT1GFK, reports that the 4W6AL statistics are now available now at: http://algarvedx.com
QSL cards will be printed during October. Please be patient!

NO BUREAU QSLS! DXer and QSL Manager Wayne, W5KDJ, reports that "I do not accept QSL cards via the Bureau. I will only confirm contacts via: direct QSL with SASE or SAE+(IRC or 1 USD), or using eQSL or LoTW." Wayne is the QSL Manager for: 3DA0KDJ, 5R8KD, A25KDJ, C91KDJ, SV0WWW, TF2WJN and YN2KDJ.

HAVE PATIENCE! More QSL cards were received this past week for the many UA4WHX operations. Vlad is still sending them out.

QSL UPDATE. Bill Horner, VK4FW, QSL Manager for many stations, reports: "I have returned home from my family holiday. In the last 4 days I have completed some 5000 QSL cards (NONE FOR 4W6FR)and have just about caught up with it all. On Monday (October 5th), there will be a major deposit made at the post office. The 4W6FR cards will not begin till probably xmas time as we have yet to print a card, and no logs are available till the op returns from 4W. Regards to all."

ZK2V QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Steve, N3SL, reports, "With the exception of about 100-125 cards that require 'special handling', the entire batch of DIRECT ZK2V cards should be to the post office on Tuesday (September 29th). That will be just shy of 1400 envelopes, confirming 2979 QSOs. Bureau cards will be tackled next."

QSLS VIA LOTW: K5D

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0EL, 3DA0MH, 3DA0MM, 3DA0TB, 3DA0VA, 7P8YI, 7X4AN, C21TI, EEA9/KH0AM, K5D, KL1V, PX6T, S92LX, TC098A, TI2KI, TO8YY, TT8FC, V7XX, VK9GMW and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

RARE SPECIAL EVENT STATION. Members of the Kristianstad Radio Amateurs Awards Group (SK7BQ) in Kristianstad (A city in former "Eastern Denmark", Sweden since 1658) inform that the most wanted station for the "Roskilde 1658 Award", SK1658DK, from Lund in the former Danish Province of Scania in southernmost Sweden will be active during the first weekends of October, November and December. There are a couple of hundred stations missing this station for the award. To qualify for this award, four out of seven callsigns in Sweden and Denmark with 1658 in their callsign have to be worked. On February 26th, special rules were applied to the award. For details, visit the award Web site at:

http://www.sk7bq.com/roskilde (entirely in English)
Look for the other special callsigns (SB1658OZ, SH1658DK, SH1658OZ and OZ1658ROS) to be active during the rest of the year. Look at the "Activity Calendar" in the menu on the above Web site which will be updated regularly until the end of the year. They report, "Unfortunately condx have been miserable from Sweden and Denmark to countries outside Europe but a few stations outside Europe have qualified for the award. The stations will be QRV on 20m and higher bands if they are open."

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Pascal, F5PTM, is now active from Afghanistan as T6YA until sometime in December. Activity over the past weekend was on 40/30/20/17 meters CW. He is reportedly using a TS-850 into a G5RV antenna. QSL via F5OGL: Didier Senmartin, Box 7, 53320 Loiron, France.

TF, ICELAND (On the Birds!). Tom, N2YTF, is currently operating as TF/N2YTF from Iceland. According to his QRZ.com page: "Iceland! I will be operating the FM satellites and HF (where time allows) from Iceland until Oct. 5th. Expect me to be on the birds QRP portable, sometimes with an Arrow Antenna for any passes between 1000 and 0000 UTC. Please help get the word out about my satellite operations." Check his QRZ page for more information.

TO5, MARTINIQUE. Saty, JE1JKL, will be active as FM/JE1JKL/p from FM5BH's QTH between November 25-27th. Activity will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest, signing as TO5T, and as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via JE1JKL.

TWO NEW COUNTRIES? It was reported this past week that St. Maarten (PJ7) and Curacao (PJ2) will become separate countries within the Dutch Kingdom on October 10, 2010, and this date is irrevocable. HOWEVER, the two new countries are subjected to meet certain conditions before that date. If the two countries can meet these conditions, the the Netherlands Antilles will officially cease to exist.

TX5, AUSTRAL AND MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update). Operators Les/SP3DOI, Jan/SP3CYY, Wojciech/SP9PT, Jozef/SP9-31029 and Michel/FO5QB are now active as TX5SPA from Tubuai Island (OC-152) in the Austral Island group until October 12th. As this was being typed, the team has made about 9k QSOs. Remember, their goal is to make as many QSOs as possible, mainly with Europe on the lower frequency bands. If possible (propagation), they will also be working on all the higher bands. They are planning to be active on CW, SSB and RTTY (maybe PSK31). The QSL Manager for their DXpeditions is Wojciech, SP9PT. For more details and updates, go to: http://fo2009sp.pl

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Sho/JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Keiichiro/JA7GYP will be active from Pohnpei (OC-010) between October 25-31st. Activity will be focused on the lower bands. QSL via their home callsigns. They will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry; possible part time participation. QSL via LoTW.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Update/OC-002). Operators Harry/DM5TI, Rene/DL2JRM, Tom/DL2RMC and Sid/DM2AYO will be active from here between November 21st

and December 5th. The team plans to have two stations active 24/7 on 160-10 meters on all modes. They will use K3 radios with 600 watts+ amps. Activity will be focused on the lower bands, mostly on CW. The callsign VK9XX will be used during the DXpedition while VK9XW is used during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via Dl1RTL, by the Bureau or direct. For complete details, visit the VK9XX Web site at:
http://www.dl2rmc.com/tom/VK9X2009

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Frank/WA2VYA, Tony/W2WAS, John/W2GD and John/N2VW will be active as VP5T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi/Multi/Dxpedition entry. QSL VP5T via LoTW, or via N2VW (by the Bureau or direct). Their activity will be from Providenciales (NA-002). Look for CW and operations on the WARC bands and 60 meters before and after the contest. Operators will sign using VP5/homecall. QSL to their home callsigns. No eQSLS. SWL QSLs are OK.

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Ted, W3TB, will once again be active during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th), but this time signing as W3TB/VP9 (or possibly VP9I again) and will be a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Also, look for operations before and after the contest. QSL via N1HRA.

XR6, CHILE. Members of the Radio Club Temuco (CE6TC) will be active as XR6T from the QTH of Gaston, CE6DBI, for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are: Alex/CE6SAX, Alex/ CE6DFY, Carlos/CE3AQI, Carlos/CE6CP, Marco/CE6VMO and Ramiro/CE6VMR. QSL via CE3FED, by the Bureau or direct to: Radio Club Temuco, P.O. Box 1234, Temuco, Chile.

YN, NICARAGUA. Eric, K9GY, will once again be active as YN2GY from Octavio's, YN2N, QTH in Grenada, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will be there between November 25-30th. Outside of the contest, look for CW activity on 30/17/12 meters. QSL via LoTW or to his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

YW8, VENEZUELA. The members of the Radio Club Venezolano continue to activate all the states across Venezuela. Look for activity from the Monagas State as YW8AJ between October 9-12th. They will try to activate all bands and modes including some 2m. Operation is valid for the DEV award (Venezuelan States Award) and can be viewed at:
http://www.radioclubvenezolano.org/concurso.htm
QSL via YV5AJ, direct or by the Bureau.

ZS9, SOUTH AFRICA. Members of the Bloemfontein Defence Amateur Radio Club members will be active as ZS9X from Bloemfontein during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are: Bernie/ZS4TX, Berney/ZS4U, John/ZS4S, Ronnie/ZS4RY, Jan/ZS4JAN and Denis/ZS4BS. QSL only via K3IRV. Read the interesting write-up at:
http://www.qrz.com/db/ZS9X

ZY0T, TRINDADE AND MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS (Update/Delay). Four members of the Rio DX Group will activate Trindade Island (PY0T/SA-010) as ZY0T now scheduled for October 17-20th (not 11-16th as first announced, due to

the Brazilian Navy schedules - and these days can be shifted 1 day either way). QSL via PY1NB DIRECT ONLY. See OPDX.927 for more details or visit their Web page at: http://riodxgroup.dxwatch.com/trindade-2009

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11164. Re: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 21:45:35 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11158 Message: 11164

----- Original Message -----
From: Robert
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 5:04 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

To answer your question: "Blame the Bermuda Triangle! "

It's as good an explanation as anything else.

PS: I have 3D2 [20 & 15] from a previous dxpedition when we had decent SSNs.

11165. Re: 3D20CR Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 22:02:12 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11158 Message: 11165

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73
Bob KB1JZU

11166. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11166

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 278 Issued at 2200Z on 05 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 04/2100Z
to 05/2100Z: Solar activity was very low.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
at very low levels for the next three days (6-8 October).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 04/2100Z to 05/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain at quiet levels for the next three days (6-8
October).
III. Event Probabilities 06 Oct-08 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 05 Oct 070
Predicted 06 Oct-08 Oct 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 05 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 04 Oct 004/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 05 Oct 001/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 06 Oct-08 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 06 Oct-08 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11167. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3D20CR Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 22:58:25 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11158 Message: 11167

This morning I was able to work then on 80m. Fantastic operator on 80m this morning

Propagation was extremely good allowing me to make my contact at 1051utc some 7 mins before my SR.

I have also worked them on 17/40

efficient operation

Michael W. Elliott
"THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE"   -
RETIREMENT - LEISURE, REST and ONLY ELECTRONIC MAIL PAYMENTS
Servant to Bridgett, Collin and all my Creditors
St. Louis County Missouri

--- On Mon, 10/5/09, Robert <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

From: Robert <kb1jzu@...t>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: 3D20CR Propagation
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, October 5, 2009, 5:02 PM

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11168. RE: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 21:13:47 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11158 Message: 11168

That "block" (if it exists) extends to VE1, Bob. All I heard on 15 today was a whisper. I've looked for them on 30/40 with no results.

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Robert
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 6:05 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

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Bob KB1JZU

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11169. Re: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-05 23:23:17 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 11158 Message: 11169

From here in Albuquerque, Conway and Austral are like shooting ducks in a barrel. My block seems to be out your way, i.e. FT5GA ;-)
dale
KB5IY

On Mon, Oct 5, 2009 at 3:13 PM, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

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11170. Re: 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 00:18:50 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11158 Message: 11170

This afternoon/evening was one of those situations that favored the lucky - and the patient! My wife and I came in from dinner. She headed toward the kitchen and I headed toward the rig. 3D2MJ came semi-booming in on 15 SSB - I needed that one for a new one on phone. I jerked the headset off and handed it to my wife. I figured there wasn't time to turn on and switch to her rig. The 3D3MJ promptly disappeared into the mud. I told her to hang on. After about ten minutes, she threw the headset down in disgust and left the room. The signal came up, but still very difficult to hear. I finally convinced her to sit down and wait it out - take about half an hour, and forget everything else, I told her. Finally, after about 20 minutes he came up just well enough we could hear "N4 Bravo United, five and nine" She just about fell out of the chair and responded. Suddenly, his signal was 10 over. We heard him very strong for about ten more minutes, then he was gone for good.

Proof that luck sometimes works better than skill - in both our cases!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Robert" <kb1jzu@...> wrote:
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11171. Re: 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 00:23:10 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11158 Message: 11171

Speaking of too many to deal with....

An acquaintance of mine (Rick, AI5P) is out in the Pacific. He was listed as being on FK/C, which would be a brand new one for both my wife and me. I sent Rick an e-mail about the possibility of a sked. Before he could answer the e-mail, we both worked him that afternoon on 17 meters.

The following morning, he responded to my e-mail with the news that he is NOT on Chesterfield, but New Caledonia. It's a new one for the wife, but not for me.

I passed the info back to Bernie for The Daily DX and Bernie admitted, yes, there was a mistake, but the guys in the Austral Islands are going to the Marquesas when they leave, and then they're going to Chesterfield! (I may have that somewhat fouled up - guess I'm excited because the FK/C I need is going to happen!)

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Robert" <kb1jzu@...> wrote:
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> Of course I meant 3D20CR....no many to deal with this week
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11172. Re: 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 00:25:46 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11158 Message: 11172

I've been fortunate that I've heard FT5GA only twice, once on SSB and once on CW (both on 20M) and managed to snag him both times. A couple of times I've faintly heard them on a couple of different bands, but not enough to attempt a QSO.

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> Frank T Brady
> Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 6:27 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 3D20GA Propagation
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> I've only heard FT5GA once (30M) and worked him I've only heard 3D20CR once
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> 15 mins after the qso he was very readable for another half hour and then
> gone.
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> Both with 200w and a 80m doublet up 60' on one end and 40' on the other
> end.
> I hope you have the time to spend and the luck to be heard Bob.
> 73 frank w0ecs
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11173. Re: 3D20GA Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 00:29:35 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11158 Message: 11173

What?!? Do they really have radio in Mississippi??

Just kidding. We had a great time last week, despite the AC failing on the way into Jackson Tuesday evening. We lost Wednesday sitting in the hotel while the AC system was replaced (that truck is only 15 years old - can't figure out why the AC died? hi hi).

Had a great time driving all over MS. Managed to finish the last county (Clarke) Saturday morning just before noon and headed back toward Mobile and Pensacola. Covered all 82 counties and approximately 2,500 calls - all on CW. The state road and county road systems are very good. There was a stretch of MS 40 south of Marks that was rather bumpy, but most of the roads were great. A lot of unexpected 4-lane roads on the non-US highways!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
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11174. RE: [DX-IS] Re: 3D20CR Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 05:31:15 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11158 Message: 11174

Called 3D20CR on 80CW for about 2 hours last night and couldn't even get through from VK!

I must admit my 80m inverted V is a bit worse for wear since I lost one side due to a line breakage, it's still intact but not as high on that side and I can only put out 100w on 80m, the amp doesn't function on that band.

Anyway, will keep at 'em,

GL, 73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Tuesday, 6 October 2009 8:26 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11175. FT5GA 80/160 Antennas Down and Repacked

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 09:13:11 UTC
From: bill_w4zv
Topic: 11175 Message: 11175

Per two different French stations (F8BPN and F6AOJ) so I believe this is legit. At least they had a very good last night into Europe on Topband.

73, Bill

11176. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 13:29:04 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 11176

Those chirpy-sounding CW signals on Sunday were the real thing. All my QSO's are now in the on-line log.

What's interesting is that they were a good S9 or better on 15m when I worked them. It was the middle of night in that part of the world. But other signals from that area could be heard, so there was some propagation from there during their nighttime.

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The 20m signals were also loud. I worked them when they were on 14260 SSB, then later on 14011.
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11177. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 15:03:14 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10757 Message: 11177

I worked Jacky, 3B8CF last night on 40m so at least I can get a signal into that part of the world. Haven't even hear the FT5 yet.

73s John AA5JG

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11178. KH5 status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 15:22:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11178 Message: 11178

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Date: 2009-10-06 15:30:24 UTC
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Topic: 10757 Message: 11179

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Date: 2009-10-06 15:34:33 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11178 Message: 11180

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Date: 2009-10-06 15:53:28 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11178 Message: 11182

Luckily I have both KH5 and KH5K on the higher bands and KH5K on 30m but would still like both on RTTY, 40m and 80m. 60m would also be a blast-"This is KH5K listening on channels 3 and 4".

I hope no one hurries to KP1 too quickly, as it is kind of nice to have the #3 most need country confirmed on both 15m (using a Yaesu FT101B) and on 20m (using a Heathkit SB102) when you are a little pistol.

Did get my K5D QSL in the other day.

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Date: 2009-10-06 16:46:40 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 11184 Message: 11184

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>>>>> dale
>>>>> KB5IY
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>>>>> On Fri, Oct 2, 2009 at 9:47 PM, Dick Flanagan
<dick@...<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=dick@...>
>>>>> > wrote:
>>>>>
>>>>>> At 07:33 PM 10/2/2009, I wrote:
>>>>>> >Same thing yesterday. I spent two hours calling and calling and
>>>>>> >calling before finally getting them on 17M phone.
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>>>>>> That should be 15M.
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>>>>>> Dick
>>>>>> --
>>>>>> Dick Flanagan K7VC
>>>>>> dick@...<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=dick@...>
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11186. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 17:37:36 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11184 Message: 11186

ZS8T Petrus was a wierd operation - I never heard him but I kept all of the related email and spots.
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Apparently being a new ham and dealing with his work assignments were just too much.
73 frank w0ecs

Zack Widup wrote:
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> Did anyone work the recent operation on ZS8? I never heard him on any
> band, not even once.
> 73, Zack W9SZ

11187. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 17:57:36 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11184 Message: 11187

I worked the operation in 1993 by Christie ZS1CDK signing ZS8MI. I believe it was on 20 SSB. Mostly he was working SSB but I found out later that if I had asked for a CW QSO he'd have hooked up a straight key and worked me on CW. I remember I thought it was odd that he had no pileup at the time I worked him. Maybe my timing was just right!

His QSL shows a photo of him with a mic in one hand and a straight key in the other hand.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 6, 2009 at 12:37 PM, Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...>wrote:

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> ZS8T Petrus was a wierd operation - I never heard him but I kept all of
> the related email and spots.
> There were 5 spots for 40m on Jan 11 2009 and 2 spots for 20m on Mar 11
> 2009 - nothing else.
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> heard of.
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> just too much.
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> > band, not even once.
> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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11188. to heck with clusters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 18:49:33 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 11188 Message: 11188

I've been listening to TX5SPA calling CQ on 18085
for at least 10 mins now with no takers. Good
signal into TX, I can't believe nobody else has
propagation.

But he's not been spotted on the cluster, so
nobody knows he's there. I worked it the other
day so I'm just listening. And not spotting it;
I'm sure other people have that big knob in the
middle of their radio.

Derek
aa5bt

11189. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 19:06:29 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 10757 Message: 11189

I am sitting here, hoping that I might have a chance to hear them and get a contact. And lo and behold, I can hear him clearly enough on 20, and he is only taking 6/7's. As I get ready to send this, he is slowing falling into the noise.
For those who can remember, how long ago was the last Glorioso DXpedition?

And back to the office I go...

dale
KB5IY

On Tue, Oct 6, 2009 at 10:22 AM, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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>
> Whoops - sorry about the mistaken QTH!
> :-)
>
> They are certainly not in a class with other DXpeditions like VP6DX but
> they are there mainly on a military mission and the DXpedition comes second
> to that. If that's the best we are going to get, I guess we can't do
> anything about it. I'm assuming they are doing their best. It must be
> difficult for them.
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Tue, Oct 6, 2009 at 10:46 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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>>
>> I don't care if they ever make it to Texas as long as they make it to
>> OKLAHOMA! I am limited to a homebrew G5RV type dipole right now, and they
>> don't seem to be operating at times that fit into my schedule real well.
>>
>> 73s John AA5JG
>> Lawton, OK
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>> ---
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11190. RE: [DX-IS] to heck with clusters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 19:34:49 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11188 Message: 11190

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 3:50 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] to heck with clusters

I've been listening to TX5SPA calling CQ on 18085 for at least 10 mins now with no takers. Good signal into TX, I can't believe nobody else has propagation.

But he's not been spotted on the cluster, so nobody knows he's there. I worked it the other
day so I'm just listening. And not spotting it;
I'm sure other people have that big knob in the middle of their radio.

Derek
aa5bt

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11191. RE: [DX-IS] to heck with clusters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 19:38:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11188 Message: 11191

Been listening all afternoon for FT5GA on any band, TX5SPA on 17 or 15, 3D20CR on any band on CW....nada. I did hear T30M on the long path on 20 but very weak and while I called a few times and heard him come back to VE2QRA (what a stupid call), I wasn't successful this far north.

Conditions way up here suck to the Nth degree today, Derek.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 3:50 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] to heck with clusters

I've been listening to TX5SPA calling CQ on 18085 for at least 10 mins now with no takers. Good signal into TX, I can't believe nobody else has propagation.

But he's not been spotted on the cluster, so nobody knows he's there. I worked it the other
day so I'm just listening. And not spotting it;
I'm sure other people have that big knob in the middle of their radio.

Derek
aa5bt

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11192. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 20:06:46 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 10757 Message: 11192

At 12:06 PM 10/6/2009, you wrote:
>For those who can remember, how long ago was the last Glorioso DXpedition?

I think it was in 2002.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11193. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 20:17:50 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 10757 Message: 11193

>>For those who can remember, how long ago was the last
>>Glorioso DXpedition?

>I think it was in 2002.
>Dick K7VC

Has there ever really been a DXpedition there? There are some
FR ops who go there to work on the weather station or something.
There was a real DXpedition to Tromeln FR/T nearly a decade ago,
but I don't remember one to FR/G.

Derek
aa5bt

11194. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 20:22:43 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 10757 Message: 11194

The last one I could find mentioned on the NG3K announced DXpedition page was in 1999.
Wow! There were sunspots (what are those?) then.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 10/6/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2009, 3:06 PM

At 12:06 PM 10/6/2009, you wrote:
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I think it was in 2002.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11195. Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 20:41:16 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 10757 Message: 11195

Can I add another question...Was it also a DXP handled by the Military? Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: Dick Flanagan
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 3:06 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

At 12:06 PM 10/6/2009, you wrote:
>For those who can remember, how long ago was the last Glorioso DXpedition?

I think it was in 2002.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11196. Re: KH5 status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 20:52:56 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11178 Message: 11196

KH6ND and another guy (call escapes me) were there in November of 2005 (Palmyra). If I remember correctly, the island was either sold or donated and it has become some sort of sanctuary. You can apparently visit, but you have to offer some work in return. KH6ND and the other guy were doing some tower work when they were last there.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@...m, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
>
> It has been almost 10 years since the last DXpedition to Kingman Reef, and there has also been very limited operations from Palmyra Is. and none that I know of from Jarvis Is. from those times. What is the current status of those islands in terms of visiting them? Are they pretty much closed now to the public or could a DXpedition take place again in the not so distant future?
>
> 73s John AA5JG
>

11197. !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 20:56:38 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11184 Message: 11197

That was indeed a disappointment. After his experience on Bouvet, one might have thought he had gained sufficient experience to attempt more operating. What goes on with ZS8 is generally rather hush-hush. The South African government keeps a tight reign on everything there. Maybe Petrus was far too busy to get on the air?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...> wrote:
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> the related email and spots.
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> > Did anyone work the recent operation on ZS8? I never heard him on any
> > band, not even once.
> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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11198. Re: to heck with clusters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 20:58:24 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11188 Message: 11198

You found it, let them find it too! That seems like a pretty good operation. I just needed a couple of band fills here and there and got everything I needed except 10 meters. They had a better signal most of the time than did the Conway Reef group.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Derek Wills <oo7@...> wrote:
>
> I've been listening to TX5SPA calling CQ on 18085
> for at least 10 mins now with no takers. Good
> signal into TX, I can't believe nobody else has
> propagation.
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> But he's not been spotted on the cluster, so
> nobody knows he's there. I worked it the other
> day so I'm just listening. And not spotting it;
> I'm sure other people have that big knob in the
> middle of their radio.
>
> Derek
> aa5bt
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11199. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 21:04:20 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 11184 Message: 11199

Looking at the gallery of FR/G QSLs at the FT5GA site, I don't see anything that could be called a DXpedition in the last 20 yrs or so. There are operations by individuals who go there for other reasons.

Baldur DJ6SI went there in 1992, and I have a nice QSL card from then - but he didn't jump through the right hoops so it was not Newington-proof. The last one I worked before the current crew was FR5ZQ/G in May 2000.

Someone correct me if I'm wrong about this!

Derek
aa5bt

11200. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 21:22:06 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11184 Message: 11200

I never worked him on 3Y/Bouvet either. Some years ago I was told by someone that there were plans for a Bouvet operation but I guess it never got too far along in planning.

I'm now seeing why, back when I was a new ham getting QST and not really into DXing yet, there was such a big deal being made out of operations on Bouvet, Niue, Rio d'Oro, etc.
73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 6, 2009 at 3:56 PM, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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>
> That was indeed a disappointment. After his experience on Bouvet, one might
> have thought he had gained sufficient experience to attempt more operating.
> What goes on with ZS8 is generally rather hush-hush. The South African
> government keeps a tight reign on everything there. Maybe Petrus was far too
> busy to get on the air?
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, Frank T Brady
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11201. RE: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 21:27:48 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 10757 Message: 11201

The last Q in my log is from 1992 !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: oo7@...
> Date: Tue, 6 Oct 2009 15:17:50 -0500
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA
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> >>For those who can remember, how long ago was the last
> >>Glorioso DXpedition?
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> >I think it was in 2002.
> >Dick K7VC
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> but I don't remember one to FR/G.
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11202. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11202

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 06 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 279 Issued at 2200Z on 06 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 05/2100Z
to 06/2100Z: Solar activity was very low.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next three days (7-9 October).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 05/2100Z to 06/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain at quiet levels for the next three days (7-9
October).
III. Event Probabilities 07 Oct-09 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 06 Oct 069
Predicted 07 Oct-09 Oct 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 06 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 05 Oct 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 06 Oct 002/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 07 Oct-09 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 07 Oct-09 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11203. FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 23:00:49 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11203 Message: 11203

When I worked FO/KM9D in early August, 2006, I logged him as being on the Australs. I think I am wrong and my search on the internet has not turned up any useful information, except to say that he was operating from French Polynesia. Can someone confirm that he was NOT on the FO/A?

73

Al, VE1AL

11204. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 23:12:25 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11203 Message: 11204

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You could ask QSL manager, OM2SA.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 7:01 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

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Al, VE1AL

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Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.14.3/2409 - Release Date: 10/06/09 06:50:00

11205. Re: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 23:12:54 UTC
From: Phil Howlett
Topic: 11203 Message: 11205

http://www.rsgbiota.org/info/groupinfo.php?refno=OC-114

On Oct 6, 2009, at 7:00 PM, Alan Leith wrote:

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11206. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-06 23:14:32 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11184 Message: 11206

Anyone who goes on an expedition should be applauded. These guys didn't make history the way some folks see it. But it's not easy and we don't know all the facts

Sent from my iPhone - Mike- E
Servant to Bridget, Collin and all my creditors. Aye !!!

How these guys will viewed one should take into consideration it was a military venture first

No criticism to you Derek or anyone else
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aa5bt

11207. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 00:59:29 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11203 Message: 11207

The Daily DX for August 2006 says he is operating from OC-114, which puts him in the Australs.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: aleith@...
> Date: Tue, 6 Oct 2009 20:00:49 -0300
> Subject: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D
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> When I worked FO/KM9D in early August, 2006, I logged him as being on the
> Australs. I think I am wrong and my search on the internet has not turned
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11208. Re: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 01:31:40 UTC
From: K4DTT@aol.com
Topic: 11203 Message: 11208

What is on his QSL?

73 Glenn , K4DTT

11209. Re: [DX-IS] to heck with clusters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 01:32:17 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11188 Message: 11209

Derek, the 'big' knob on their radio is for the fine tuning once the DX has
been (mysteriously) spotted...
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Derek Wills" <oo7@...>

> I'm sure other people have that big knob in the
> middle of their radio.
>
> Derek
> aa5bt

11210. Re: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 01:41:14 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11203 Message: 11210

He was on Australs. I have several LoTW confirms for this.

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 8:59 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

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puts him in the Australs.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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> From: aleith@...
> Date: Tue, 6 Oct 2009 20:00:49 -0300
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11211. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 03:16:46 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11203 Message: 11211

Thanks, Dave. I had seen the 425 DXNews report. But I'd worked him on Aug. 2, & 4 on 15, 17, 30 & 40. So, perhaps I am correct in believing he was on the Australs at that time.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 8:12 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

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11212. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 03:21:06 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11203 Message: 11212

Great! Looks like I have FO/A on many bands. Now to get a couple of QSLs.

Thanks Phil.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Phil Howlett
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 8:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

http://www.rsgbiota.org/info/groupinfo.php?refno=OC-114

On Oct 6, 2009, at 7:00 PM, Alan Leith wrote:

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> the Australs. I think I am wrong and my search on the internet has
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11213. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 03:37:30 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11203 Message: 11213

The one shown on-line indicates the Australs (now that I've had a chance to look at it). My cards to OM2SA will be going out tomorrow!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of K4DTT@...
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 10:32 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

What is on his QSL?

73 Glenn , K4DTT

11214. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 03:38:44 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11203 Message: 11214

I'm awaiting correspondence from ARRL, Rich, and I'll finally be on LoTW
within days.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 10:41 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

He was on Australs. I have several LoTW confirms for this.

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON <mailto:w1ksz@...>
To: DX List - New <mailto:dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 8:59 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

The Daily DX for August 2006 says he is operating from OC-114, which
puts him in the Australs.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> com
> From: aleith@... <mailto:aleith@...> .ca
> Date: Tue, 6 Oct 2009 20:00:49 -0300
> Subject: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D
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11215. RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 04:16:31 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11184 Message: 11215

I needed Petrus on 3Y0/B and I was on air listening many times when he was spotted. I only ever heard him once very faintly but couldn't get through the EU pile.

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Hang in there,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2009 1:38 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

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11216. RE: [DX-IS] to heck with clusters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 04:18:47 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11188 Message: 11216

Yes, I would have propagation now and I need it on 17m but one also have to earn a living...

I called for ages on 20m CW this morning but they were only interested in NA.

Oh well, more days to go yet.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2009 2:50 AM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] to heck with clusters

I've been listening to TX5SPA calling CQ on 18085 for at least 10 mins now with no takers. Good signal into TX, I can't believe nobody else has propagation.

But he's not been spotted on the cluster, so nobody knows he's there. I worked it the other day so I'm just listening. And not spotting it; I'm sure other people have that big knob in the middle of their radio.

Derek
aa5bt

11217. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 04:31:54 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11203 Message: 11217

Hi Alan,

My LOTW confirmations show FO/KM9D Australs in August 2006 and then French Polynesia September 2006.

Thanks God for Mike, he is the only Austral contact I have....wish he'd done some SSB work...anyway....

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2009 7:01 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

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11218. RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 04:34:15 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11184 Message: 11218

--- On Tue, 10/6/09, Lance Martin <lance.martin@...> wrote:

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73s John AA5JG

11219. RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 05:51:28 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11184 Message: 11219

Ok John, well you have a trans-equatorial path to the VP8s, so that makes it way easier. We are south pole path and 12 hours time difference, so SR and SS stuff...early morning and early evening type propagation....when there is propagation.

I am guessing you would have similar problems with VK0/H, 4S, S2, VU4/7, 9N etc.

I can still remember digging out those weak NA signals when I was on VK9X 24 years ago.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2009 12:34 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

--- On Tue, 10/6/09, Lance Martin <lance.martin@...
<mailto:lance.martin%40cbs.curtin.edu.au> > wrote:

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73s John AA5JG

11220. RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 11:06:24 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11184 Message: 11220

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KU0A

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lance Martin
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 11:17 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2009 1:38 AM
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Subject: Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

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11221. !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 11:37:30 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11184 Message: 11221

More than a year ago there were some guys in South Africa making comments about a Marion Is. trip. When Petrus ended up there, the talk stopped. Maybe after the result (or the lack thereof!) from Petrus, the talking will start again. With a little luck, by the time they can actually get something moving, the SFI will show significant improvement.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> I never worked him on 3Y/Bouvet either. Some years ago I was told by someone
> that there were plans for a Bouvet operation but I guess it never got too
> far along in planning.
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> I'm now seeing why, back when I was a new ham getting QST and not really
> into DXing yet, there was such a big deal being made out of operations on
> Bouvet, Niue, Rio d'Oro, etc.
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Tue, Oct 6, 2009 at 3:56 PM, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:
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> > That was indeed a disappointment. After his experience on Bouvet, one might
> > have thought he had gained sufficient experience to attempt more operating.
> > What goes on with ZS8 is generally rather hush-hush. The South African
> > government keeps a tight reign on everything there. Maybe Petrus was far too
> > busy to get on the air?
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> > Art - N4PJ
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> > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, Frank T Brady
> > <franktbrady@> wrote:
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11222. Re: FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 11:39:58 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11203 Message: 11222

He and Jan were, indeed, in the Australs (OC-114) at the time you mention. My QSOs are for July 31. I have several contacts verified via LotW for their operations there.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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11223. !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 11:44:37 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11184 Message: 11223

I think the only time I ever heard South Sandwich was back in the early 80s. I had a beam, but no amp. For several days there were huge list operations. It was often more difficult to hear the list monger than it was to hear LU3ZY. Never could get through. If there have been any other opns there, it was while was off the air.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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11224. !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 11:47:17 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11184 Message: 11224

One of the biggest problems with FT5GA was their location. There are apparently significant obstacles between NA and where they were located. Comments were made on the web site that they could have done better if they'd been allowed to set up on the beach. However, as was just about everything on the trip, they had to follow orders about where to set up their facilities. It appears their take-off location was somewhat sub-optimal from our perspective.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson Moyer" <ku0a@...> wrote:
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11225. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 11:57:59 UTC
From: Albert Müller
Topic: 11184 Message: 11225

Chuck Brady was using a Hexbeam. And Glorioso is definitely different from Ducie Is. as far as verticals are concerned.

----- Original Message -----
From: Nelson Moyer
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 07, 2009 1:06 PM
Subject: RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

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Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2009 11:17 PM
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11226. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 13:05:55 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11184 Message: 11226

They had a DXPedition there in Jan of 2002 for a few days by the microlite DXpedition crew. Finally got some decent prop on a Monday night and I had to go teach a night class before I got thru the pileup. Such is life. Got them 3 times after they went to South Georgia, but that is because I already had South Georgia confirmed!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 10/7/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@comcast.net>
Subject: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, October 7, 2009, 6:44 AM

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11227. RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 13:11:27 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11184 Message: 11227

Lance,

Didn't realize it was a polar path for you. Yes, that would make it more difficult. Haven't heard VK0/H yet. Have heard the others weakly before except for 4S who I have confirmed a couple of times.

The lack of a resident population on VP8SG doesn't help any, although I think there might be military or scientists there from time to time.

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11228. Re: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 13:15:40 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11184 Message: 11228

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11229. RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 13:41:36 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11203 Message: 11229

Hi Lance,

Thanks to you and all the others who cleared this up for me. I worked Mike on 15, 17, 30 & 40 and had worked FO/DL7FT on 10M SSB before this TX5 operation. Apparently there have been MANY operations from the Australs that I did not know about. I worked TX5SPA during a brief 5 minute opening from here on 20M CW LP yesterday. And that's the only time I have heard them. The only Australs QSL I have is FO0FI but I'm working on the others.

I'm praying for ONE CW QSO with 3D20CR before that one ends and it appears my only good QSO with FT5GA was on 20M CW with three pirates in the log to remind me of my failure!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lance Martin
Sent: Wednesday, October 07, 2009 1:32 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

Hi Alan,

My LOTW confirmations show FO/KM9D Australs in August 2006 and then French Polynesia September 2006.

Thanks God for Mike, he is the only Austral contact I have....wish he'd done some SSB work...anyway....

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2009 7:01 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] FO/KM9D

When I worked FO/KM9D in early August, 2006, I logged him as being on the Australs. I think I am wrong and my search on the internet has not turned up any useful information, except to say that he was operating from French Polynesia. Can someone confirm that he was NOT on the FO/A?

73

Al, VE1AL

11230. Re: [DX-IS] Re: KH5 status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 16:43:55 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11178 Message: 11230

Yes I remember hearing KH6ND/KH5 on 40m RTTY one evening. Unfortunately RF was getting into the computer or interface when I transmitted, causing a nasty hum instead of RTTY tones everything I called him. I lowered the power to 5 or 10 watts with no hum but then he couldn't hear me. He was CQing with no takers for quite a while. Sometimes you just can't win with technology.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 10/6/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@comcast.net> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: KH5 status
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2009, 3:52 PM

KH6ND and another guy (call escapes me) were there in November of 2005 (Palmyra). If I remember correctly, the island was either sold or donated and it has become some sort of sanctuary. You can apparently visit, but you have to offer some work in return. KH6ND and the other guy were doing some tower work when they were last there.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> It has been almost 10 years since the last DXpedition to Kingman Reef, and there has also been very limited operations from Palmyra Is. and none that I know of from Jarvis Is. from those times. What is the current status of those islands in terms of visiting them? Are they pretty much closed now to the public or could a DXpedition take place again in the not so distant future?
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> 73s John AA5JG
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11231. !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 17:29:46 UTC
From: n3oxdan
Topic: 11184 Message: 11231

>Most recent island DXpeditions have used vertical dipoles. Maybe >spider beams aren't the best antennas for low take-off angles of >propagation

The "Team Vertical" guys who swear by these for contests seemed to find that 1/2 wavelength from the water edge in the direction you want to take off to was optimum, and the effect dropped off sharply as you back further away from the beach.

As I understand it the FT5GA guys unfortunately weren't allowed to erect verticals on the beach because of sea turtle preservation efforts. Most island expeditions don't seem have that constraint and of course a bunch of them are so small it would be hard to back away from the beach far enough to cause a problem :-)

I think it's right that the vertical dipole arrays blow kinda low horizontal beams out of the water... seems like 10-20dB difference if your vertical looks right out on salt water.

I suspect horizontal multiband yagis are probably a better choice if you're even a few wavelengths inland. Saltwater or dirt matters almost none at all to horizontally polarized antenna performance and vastly to verticals, but the saltwater has to be *right there.*

73
Dan

11232. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-07 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11232

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 07 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 280 Issued at 2200Z on 07 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 06/2100Z
to 07/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred. The
visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 06/2100Z to 07/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through most of the period (08 - 10
October). However, there is a slight chance for unsettled conditions
late on day 3 (10 October) as a recurrent coronal hole high-speed
stream becomes geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 08 Oct-10 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 07 Oct 069
Predicted 08 Oct-10 Oct 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 07 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 06 Oct 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Oct 001/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Oct-10 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Oct-10 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11233. RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-08 04:28:47 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11184 Message: 11233

Hi John,

Well I heard LU3OE this morning on 20m SP (over the south pole) and he was a genuine 59, so it would have a been a great day for any VP8s!!

Such is live, who said Honour Roll was going to be easy?

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2009 9:11 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: !Re: [DX-IS] Re: FT5GA

Lance,

Didn't realize it was a polar path for you. Yes, that would make it more difficult. Haven't heard VK0/H yet. Have heard the others weakly before except for 4S who I have confirmed a couple of times.

The lack of a resident population on VP8SG doesn't help any, although I think there might be military or scientists there from time to time.

73s John AA5JG

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Date: Wednesday, October 7, 2009, 12:51 AM

Ok John, well you have a trans-equatorial path to the VP8s, so that makes it way easier. We are south pole path and 12 hours time difference, so SR and SS stuff...early morning and early evening type propagation. ...when there is propagation.

I am guessing you would have similar problems with VK0/H, 4S, S2, VU4/7, 9N etc.

I can still remember digging out those weak NA signals when I was on VK9X 24 years ago.

73, Lance – VK6DU

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-08 04:31:33 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11184 Message: 11234

Hi Zack,

Probably low activity. I heard VP8NO on 40 CW a few months ago in one of the contests and he was 579, though he was calling someone else.

We tried a few days later, same time but alas, as you would expect nil propagatzione!

And haven't tried since, I must email him...as I still need VP8/F on CW.

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11235. ARLD040 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-08 21:59:36 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6451 Message: 11235

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD040
ARLD040 DX news

ZCZC AE40
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 40 ARLD040
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 8, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD040
ARLD040 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, YV1DIG, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Andrew, G7COD will be QRV as 8Q7AK from Embudu Island, IOTA AS-013, from October 11 to 25. Activity will be on 80 to 12 meters using CW and SSB at various times throughout the day. QSL to home call.

BHUTAN, A5. Yasuo, JA1FJJ is QRV as A52FJJ until October 20. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL to home call.

CUBA, CO. Members of the Camaguey City Radio Club will be QRV as T47C during the 7th conference of the ''Federacion de Radioaficionados de Cuba'' on October 10 and 11. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via operators' instructions.

CROZET ISLAND, FT/W. Flo is QRV as FT5WO and has been active on 20 and 17 meters using SSB around 0900 to 1300z. He is here until the end of October. QSL via F4DYW.

HUNGARY, HA. Special event call HG0WFF is in use for the next 12 months from different Hungarian National Parks. Activity will begin with an operation from the Hortobagy National Park from October 12 to 18. QSL via HA0HW.

GUINEA-BISSAU, J5. Jose, CT1DSV plans to be QRV as J5S from October 12 to 18. Activity will be during his evening hours for one to two hours. QSL to home call.

SVALBARD, JW. Arne, LA7WCA, Maurits, LA3XIA and John, G4ATA are QRV as JW7WCA, JW3XIA and JW/G4ATA, respectively, until October 13. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

MIDWAY ISLAND, KH4. A large group of operators are QRV as K4M from Sand Island, IOTA OC-030, until October 19. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with five to six stations active simultaneously. See the K4M website for QSL information.

BULGARIA, LZ. Members of the Balkan Contest Club are QRV as LZ44WFF until October 11 during a World Flora Fauna expedition from the Biosphere Reserve Srebarna. Activity is on all HF bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via LZ1KZA.

CZECH REPUBLIC, OK. Special event station OL22ASE is QRV until October 15 during the ASE XXII Planetary Congress taking place in Prague until October 10. QSL via OK1TIR.

ANTARCTICA. Station R1ANB from the Nirny Base club has been active on 40 meters around 1330z. QSL via RN1ON.

CORSICA, TK. Operators IK2SNG, IK4RQJ and IZ4BBF are QRV as TK/homecalls from Calenzana until October 12. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL to home calls.

BENIN, TY. Operators PA8AD, PA3AN, PA3AWW and PD0CAV are QRV as TY1MS from Grand Popo until October 30. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters with three stations active simultaneously. This includes an entry in the upcoming CQ WW SSB contest. QSL via PA3AWW.

INDONESIA, YB. Hotang, YC0IEM will be QRV as YC0IEM/8 from Ambon Island, IOTA OC-070, from October 12 to 30. QSL via IZ8CCW.

VENEZUELA, YV. Members of the Radio Club Venezolano are QRV as YW8AJ from Monagas State until October 12. Activity is on all HF bands, including possibly 2 meters, using all modes. QSL via YV5AJ.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Nigeria, 5N0EME, 2009 operation; Nigeria, 5N0OCH, current operation (logs in LoTW); and Angola, D2QMN, current operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL EME Contest, North American RTTY Sprint, 10-10 International 10-10 Day Sprint, Oceania DX CW Contest, NCCC Sprint, YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest, Makrothen RTTY Contest, Pennsylvania QSO Party, EU Autumn CW Sprint, FISTS Fall CW Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint, Arizona QSO Party and the UBA ON SSB Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint is scheduled for October 14. Please see October QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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11236. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-08 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11236

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 08 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 281 Issued at 2200Z on 08 Oct 2009
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to 08/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
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Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels during days 1 - 2 (09 - 10 October).
Field activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels
on day 3 (11 October) due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed
stream.
III. Event Probabilities 09 Oct-11 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 08 Oct 069
Predicted 09 Oct-11 Oct 069/069/069
90 Day Mean 08 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 07 Oct 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 08 Oct 001/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 09 Oct-11 Oct 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Oct-11 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11237. ARLP041 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-09 14:17:35 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6524 Message: 11237

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP041
ARLP041 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP41
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 41 ARLP041
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA October 9, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP041
ARLP041 Propagation de K7RA

Sweet memories of that 11-day run of sunspots ending on the second day of this month will eventually fade. So far the number of spotless days is seven--or perhaps eight by later today--with the last sunspot seen on October 1.

A peek at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/ for the latest STEREO images shows two active areas in our Sun's southern hemisphere beyond our direct view, but it is hard to tell if these will emerge as sunspots when they appear over the eastern limb. A rough guess has the first one possibly emerging around October 10, and the second around a week later. Currently the solar flux forecast shows flux values lower then 70 through October 15, then around 72 during the two-week period from October 16-30.

The second spot is seen on the look-ahead image, and is passing into the invisible area, now slightly more than 60 degrees wide in latitude, or about one-sixth of the solar surface.

The same NOAA/USAF forecast predicts the same very quiet geomagnetic conditions we've seen for some time, with a planetary A index around 5. Two very small increases are predicted for October 11-12, with an A index of 7, and October 24-25, with the A index at 8.

Average sunspot numbers for the week dropped 15.3 points below the September 24-30 period, and average daily solar flux for the week declined 2.2 points to 70.5.

Regarding the invisible area on the other side of the Sun, this is becoming smaller as the "Ahead and Behind" STEREO platforms slowly converge. You can figure out the size of the dark area in terms of degrees by going to the "Where is STEREO Today?" page at http://stereo-ssc.nascom.nasa.gov/where.shtml. The last figure at the bottom of the page is "Separation Angle A with B." Subtract this value from 180 to get the size of the dark area. Currently

early Friday morning it shows 119.702, which corresponds with a dark area (beyond the sight of the A and B platforms) of 60.298 degrees.

At http://stereo-ssc.nascom.nasa.gov/where/ you can see how wide that invisible area will be at any date and time in the future. On October 1 at 1800z the blank area was 61.7 degrees wide, on November 1 it will be 56.3 degrees, and December 1, 51.6 degrees. The non-visible area will be exactly 60 degrees wide around 0021-0028z on October 11.

In 2010 that invisible area will shrink from 47.7 degrees on January 1 to 9.3 degrees on December 1. The entire Sun will be visible beginning on February 6, 2011 around 1302-2047z. After that, the blank spot in STEREO's vision will be Earth-facing, and as it grows the information can be filled in from observation here on Earth.

Larry Banks, W1DYJ of Woburn, Massachusetts sent in an article from New Scientist magazine titled, "Phantom Storms: How our weather leaks into space." It has many interesting details about our ionosphere and stratospheric warming. Read it on the web at, http://snipr.com/scukl.

Giles Berry, KE3CR of New Castle, Delaware commented about last week's reports of VHF propagation along fog banks. He recalls that in the early 1950s when television first came to the state of Maine, TV reception seemed to improve with fog. Giles notes that on a foggy night he could receive television broadcasts from Boston reasonably well. He was on the mid coast of Maine.

Patrick Hamel, W5THT of Long Beach, Mississippi notes, "Here on the Gulf of Mexico coast we have always known that when we get fog, we can talk from Florida to Texas 'under the inversion' on 2 meters. It also works on 6 meters, and I regularly heard other stations making contact on 2 meters and then jumping to the higher bands during fog conditions."

Gus Malmberg, SM0EGK says, "When I read WA2AMW's comments about the extraordinary conditions on 2m, I recalled what happened early in 1963, when one could listen to all of northern Europe and see many band I TV stations for a few days. As a youngster I didn't understand the mechanism, but have since realized that it must have been an extreme temperature inversion. In 1963 we had a solar minimum."

He continues, "I worked for fifteen years as a radio and television transmitter engineer for the Swedish Telecommunication Administration, but have never again experienced something like that!"

Alan Vigeant, KI6HPO of San Marcos, California wrote, "I'd like to inform you of past and most recent conditions here in NE San Diego County. Since early April, I've been having daily chats with my good

friends at the Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club, which is situated about 165 miles NW of my QTH."

Alan continues, "I am at 2,200 feet of altitude, on the SW rim of what I like to call the Palomar Ridge, which is about 5,600 feet above sea level. Between the two rims is what I call the 'Palomar Trench.' My QTH is about 12 miles SW of the Palomar Observatory. Using William Hepburn's 'Worldwide Tropospheric Ducting Forecasts web site (see http://www.dxinfocentre.com/tropo.html), which has proven most helpful to me, I can pretty much set my watch as to when the duct will be forming. My QTH is about 40 miles east of Oceanside, California. My signal follows the ducting which occurs in the trench and then goes up the coast of Southern California to Santa Cruz Island, where their 220 MHz repeater is."

He goes on to say. "The past week proved to be a most curious one for me. While I was speaking to the 7:00 AM SBARC Morning Net, I noticed that the S-meter on my 220 rig (I utilize the club's 223.920 repeater) began to fluctuate rapidly."

He ends with, "Looking out my garage side door, I could watch the cloud cover come in from the Pacific; as I looked on, I could actually see that as the cloud cover rose, the meter would decline to an S-3. As the Sun grew higher in the sky and the cloud bank began to recede into the Pacific, the meter would register an S-9 to almost 40 over. At times, during the summer evenings, I could look out along the Palomar trench and look to the horizon to see if prop was going to be good or not so good for the evening."

Thanks, Alan! Very interesting report.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for October 1 through 7 were 11, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 1.6. 10.7 cm flux was 72, 71.6, 71.6, 71.1, 69.9, 68.9, and 68.5 with a mean of 70.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 2, 1, 4, 2, 1 and 2 with a mean of 2. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 0, 1, 4, 2, 1 and 1 with a mean of

1.6.
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11238. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #962

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-09 17:43:04 UTC
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Topic: 11238 Message: 11238

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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8Q - Jim, G3VDB will be active holiday style as 8Q7EJ from Vilamendhoo Island, Maldives (AS-013) on 9-25 October. Subject to hotel permission and local conditions, he plans to operate CW, RTTY, PSK31 and perhaps SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
9H - Andreas, DL9USA will be active as 9H8C from Comino Island, Malta (EU-023) on 15-22 October. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
H44 - Mike, KM9D (H44MY) and Jan, KF4TUG (H44TO) have been lying to anchor in the lagoon of Liapari Island (OC-149), Solomon Islands since 8 October.
HA - Radio Club Puspokladany (HA0KHW) will be active as HG0WFF from a number of Hungarian National Parks between now and October 2010. The first activity will be from the Hortobagy National Park on 12-18 October. QSL via HA0HW. [TNX HA0HW]
J5 - Jose, CT1DSV will be active as J5S from Guinea Bissau on 12-18 October. He expects to operate about 1-2 hours every night, and to concentrate activity on 17-18 October. QSL via home call. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
JT - Jeremy, W7EME (JT1UN) and Jim, K7YO (JT1YO) will conduct the first ever EME activity from Mongolia on 10-14 October. Details can be found at http://www.w7eme.org/ulaanbaatar [TNX JT1CD]
PA - Special event station PA30IPA will be active from 10 October to 6 November to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the International Police Association Radio Club of the Netherlands. QSL via PA9LUC. [TNX The Daily DX]
PA - Ben, DO1BEN and Barbara, DO1IQ will be active as PD/homecalls from Texel Island (EU-038) on 16-22 October. QSL via DO1BEN, bureau preferred. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
PY0T - The schedule of the Brazilian Navy has changed, and consequently also the dates for the ZY0T operation from Trindade [425DXN 961]. The team now expects to leave on 13 October and to be active from the 17th to the 20th (+/- one day either way). QSL direct to PY1NB. Bookmark http://riodxgroup.dxwatch.com/trindade-2009 for

updates. [TNX PY1NB]
SP - Special event station SN100DP will be active until 11 October to
celebrate the 100th anniversary of the "Dar Pomorza", the Polish
sailing frigate currently preserved in Gdynia a a museum ship.
Please visit http://www.sq2rh.it2.pl/sn100dp/sn100dp_about.html for
Further information. QSL via SQ2RH. [TNX SQ2RH]
TA - Special event callsign TC1IEM will be aired on the HF bands for
this year's Istanbul Eurasia Marathon to be held on 18 October.
QSL via TA1KB, bureau preferred. [TNX TA1HZ]
T6 - Pascal, F5PTM is active as T6YA from Afghansitan until December.
He plans to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via
F5OGL [TNX The Daily DX]
TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (www.tcswat.org) will be
active as TC1ELH from Eregli Lighthouse (Sea of Marmara) on 9-11
October. They plan to operate mainly on 20 and 40 metres SSB. QSL
via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]
V3 - Rich, N0HJZ will be active as V31MW from Placencia, Belize on
17-26 October, including as SOAB entry in the CQ WW DX SSB
Contest. QSL direct to home call or via LoTW. [TNX N0HJZ]
VK - Look for Ray, K9LUK to be active as K9LUK/VK4 from Fraser Island
(OC-142) on 18-23 October. QSL direct to home call. [TNX
www.ragbiota.org]
W - The Alamance Amateur Radio Club (K4EG) will participate in the
Cape Lookout Lighthouse 150th Special Event on 10-11 October by
operating from Harkers Island (NA-067). Look for them on 80, 40,
20, 15 and 10 metres CW and SSB, with possible activity on 17 and
30 metres as well. QSL via KA4KJI. [TNX VA3RJ]
W - Special event stations N#A will be operated from all ten US call
areas with the appropriate prefix number designator on 12-18
October to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the North American
QRP CW Club (NAQCC). QSL via operator's instructions. Complete
details on the event can be found at http://www.arm-tek.net/~yoel/
[TNX VA3RJ]
W - The South Florida DX Association (K4FK) will operate as W4R from
the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge as
part of the National Wildlife Refuge Week. The station will be
active on 20 and 40 metres SSB, and possibly CW, on 17 October
(from 14.00 to 18.30 UTC). QSL direct to WA4WTG. [TNX N4II]
YB - Hotang, YC0IEM now expects to be active as YC0IEM/8 from Ambon
Island (OC-070, 425DXN 961) on 12-30 October. QSL via IZ8CCW. [TNX
Mediterraneo DX Club]
ZL - Paul, ZL4PW and Ray, VK4HDX will be active from Stewart Island
(OC-203) on 19-30 March 2010. They plan to operate all modes on
160-15 metres, and possibly to participate in the CQ WPX SSB
Contest. They are looking for a phasing device for 2 element
phased arrays for 30/40m and a solid-state linear amplifier.
Please contact Paul (zl4pw@...) if you are willing to
assist. A website is under construction. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC NEWS ---> 5N0OCH (Nigeria, current operation) and 5N0EME (2009 operation) have been approved for DXCC credit. If you had QSOs rejected in a recent DXCC submission, send an e-mail to dxcc@... to be placed on the list for an update. [TNX NC1L]

FT5GA ---> Due to a change in the military flight's schedule, the FT5GA team went QRT around 9 UTC on 7 October, one day earlier than planned. Activity started on 15 September, and the five operators on the island were able to log 50,301 QSOs with 15,237 unique calls. All of the logs have been uploaded to the log search (www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA).

TX3A ---> The first update about TX3A (Chesterfield Islands, 425DXN 951) has been posted to the expedition's website. Last minute tests (including RTTY hardware and software) and preparations are under way, and many improvements have been made to the equipment. As weather is the main variable, AA7JV and HA7RY will be standing-by in Gladstone (Queensland) from 28 October, ready to sail whenever they see a weather break long enough to get them to Chesterfield (the voyage will take 60-70 hours). voyage). Therefore they do not have a fixed date for the start of operations: "in the best case, we may get on the air on November 4, but it could easily be November 10 or later". George and Tomi will have supplies for a 20-day operation. The TX3A license is valid for 15 days only, so they may operate some of the time using their own callsigns. They intend to remain on the island to participate in the CQWW CW contest. Bookmark http://tx3a.com/ for regular updates.

WW DXPEDITION TROPHY 2009 ---> The Strange Radio Team is conducting the fourth annual survey to recognize the "DXpedition of the year" that has aroused the greatest interest in the amateur radio world between 1 June 2008 and 1 June 2009. Cast your vote at http://www.strangeradioteam.com/ [TNX IZ7AUH]

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3A2MG F9JS CX4AAJ EB7DX OD5F IZ8CLM
3D20CR DJ8NK E51NOU N7OU OG0A OH2BH
3D2DW YU1DW EF8M UA3DX OG20YL OH2YL
3D2GM PG5M EG2NVP EA2DJM OJ0B OH2BH

3D2KJ SP5DRH EH3IDB EA3DTD OJ0J OH0RJ
3D2MJ SP5EAQ EH3WRC EA3FCY OL22ASE OK1TIR
3W1M OM3JW ER8C ER1DA OM8A OM2VL
3Z40KP SP5KP EW5WFF EW4DX OM9FIRAC OM5GU
3Z70KOC SP5PJX FP/G3ZAY G3ZAY ON25BELGICA ON7TR
4K9W DL6KVA FP/M0TDG M0TDG ON4DAMIAN ON7LR
4L1FP LZ1OT G4LAB/p G4IAR PA08DWN PA3ALM
4L2IKA EA7FTR GA2MP N3SL PD55EA PD7BZ
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4U64UN HB9BOU HF35PEA SP1NQF RU0LL IK2DUW
4W6FR VK4FW HL9A WX8C SN0WFF SP5X
5B/HG3IPA HA3JB HS0ZEA OE2REL SN80WK SP7PKI
5C5W EA5XX II1CAM IW2MNO SP80WAC SP3PSM
5N0OCH DL3OCH IL7X IK5BCM SP90SEP SP6PWW
5Q5NA DK5NA IY2M IW2NOH SQ80SPCU SP9PKZ
5W0DW YU1DW J28OO K2PF SV0XAF/8 HB9EBC
5W7A YT1AD J68WI WB5ZAM SY1RY SV1JMO
5X1THA M0WTF J79ZG DL7AFS T30AW YU1DW
5Z4PS M0WTF JW3XIA LA3XIA T30M YT1AD
7Q7CE IN3VZE JW5NM LA5NM T88OM JA1FMZ
7Q7HB G0IAS JW5X LA5X TC10TF TA1HZ
7X0MT F5MSR JW6RHA LA6RHA TI5/NP3D W3HNK
9H3FD PA3FHR JW6VM LA6VM TX5SPA SP9PT
9M2CNC G4ZFE JW7WCA LA7WCA UE1RLH RA1QY
AL7R K9IT JW7XK LA7XK VC3COPP VE3BDB
C31CT EA3QS JW9DL LA9DL VK6AU N1DT
C37NL C37URA KH6MB AI4U XU7ACY W2EN
C37URE EA4URE KH8/N9YU YT1AD XV3RRC RZ3EC
C91VM IK1RAE LU8XW WD9EWK XV7RRC RZ3EC
CM3RPN EB7DX LX/PA6Z PA9M YB0ECT K3AIR
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11239. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #962 [Calendar]

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11240. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 09 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 282 Issued at 2200Z on 09 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 08/2100Z
to 09/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 08/2100Z to 09/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels on day 1 (10 October). Actitivy is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during days 2 - 3 (11 -
12 October) due to weak recurrent coronal hole effects.
III. Event Probabilities 10 Oct-12 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 09 Oct 069
Predicted 10 Oct-12 Oct 069/069/069
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Observed Afr/Ap 08 Oct 001/002
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Predicted Afr/Ap 10 Oct-12 Oct 005/005-007/007-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 10 Oct-12 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11241. midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 02:53:51 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
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what gives ? anyone know ? did I miss something ?

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Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !

John Wayne

11242. RE: [DX-IS] midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 03:21:11 UTC
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There is a question in there somewhere.

Don

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11243. Re: [DX-IS] midway

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2009 DXPedition to Midway Island (http://www.midway2009.com/index.html)
Joey here is their website es I think they are on Hawai at present but
not sure

73 Bob K7lay

11244. [425ENG] 425 Dx Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 08:28:10 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11244 Message: 11244

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (September 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now
available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the
official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in September, Qsl Managers and
News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for
contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your
articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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11245. not spotting!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 18:02:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11245 Message: 11245

Over an hour has passed since 6W/OK1WZM has been spotted. He's been commanding a huge pile-up on 20M CW and NO ONE HAS SPOTTED HIM!!! Are the masses finally learning? Or is 6W not worth spotting?

73

Al, VE1AL

11246. Re: [DX-IS] not spotting!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 19:31:44 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11245 Message: 11246

god! either the masses are awaiting K4M or they are realy learning. Pretty sure about the former.

Dale K8TS
----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 10, 2009 2:02:07 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] not spotting!!!

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Al, VE1AL

11247. Re: [DX-IS] not spotting!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 19:34:32 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11245 Message: 11247

its,.....

CW

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 10, 2009 2:31 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] not spotting!!!

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11248. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11248

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 10 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 283 Issued at 2200Z on 10 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 09/2100Z
to 10/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 09/2100Z to 10/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during days 1 - 2 (11 -
12 October) due to weak recurrent coronal hole effects. Activity is
expected to decrease to quiet levels on day 3 (13 October) as
coronal hole effects subside.
III. Event Probabilities 11 Oct-13 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 10 Oct 070
Predicted 11 Oct-13 Oct 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 10 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 09 Oct 001/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 10 Oct 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 11 Oct-13 Oct 007/007-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 11 Oct-13 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11249. Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 23:31:59 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11249 Message: 11249

Is anyone else in the USA hearing a carrier on 14.000 MHz? We were discussiog it on a couple more local groups and it was reported at about a bearing of 250 degrees in the Chicago area and 260 degrees in Champaign and Peoria, 150 miles downstate. That makes me think it isn't very local to us.

It's been reported as around S7 to as much as 30 over 9 (depending on the antenna used) with some QSB on the signal. It's been going continuously for at least several days.

Can anyone else get a beam heading on it?

73, Zack W9SZ

11250. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 23:37:05 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11249 Message: 11250

I hear it in Northern Virginia...

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX List
Sent: Saturday, October 10, 2009 7:31 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Is anyone else in the USA hearing a carrier on 14.000 MHz? We were discussiog it on a couple more local groups and it was reported at about a bearing of 250 degrees in the Chicago area and 260 degrees in Champaign and Peoria, 150 miles downstate. That makes me think it isn't very local to us.

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73, Zack W9SZ

11251. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-10 23:51:42 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11249 Message: 11251

No signals go over S9 on my FT-100D - this guy was S8 with little if any
QSB.
73 frank w0ecs woodstock ga

Richard F DiDonna NN3W wrote:
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>
> I hear it in Northern Virginia...
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>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Zack Widup <mailto:w9sz.zack@...>
> *To:* DX List <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Saturday, October 10, 2009 7:31 PM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000
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> Is anyone else in the USA hearing a carrier on 14.000 MHz? We
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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11252. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 00:00:15 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11249 Message: 11252

BTW, he is s6 to s7 at 8pm local - I love a good mystery, but I sure
hope it doesn't stay that way.
frank w0ecs

Frank T Brady wrote:
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> No signals go over S9 on my FT-100D - this guy was S8 with little if any
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> 73 frank w0ecs woodstock ga
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> > I hear it in Northern Virginia...
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> <mailto:w9sz.zack%40gmail.com>>
> > *To:* DX List <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>>
> > *Sent:* Saturday, October 10, 2009 7:31 PM
> > *Subject:* [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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11253. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 00:04:12 UTC
From: sgalonski1@aol.com
Topic: 11249 Message: 11253

S7 @ 00:00 hours Oct 11,2009 - Arcadia CA beam 3 element SteppIR @ 30'.
Beam heading 240 degrees.

Stan
KB6RQZ

In a message dated 10/10/2009 4:32:19 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time,
w9sz.zack@... writes:

Is anyone else in the USA hearing a carrier on 14.000 MHz? We were
discussiog it on a couple more local groups and it was reported at about a
bearing of 250 degrees in the Chicago area and 260 degrees in Champaign and
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11254. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 00:16:34 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11249 Message: 11254

Hmm ... weird. I suspected it was in the USA but that would probably put it outside the country.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Oct 10, 2009 at 7:04 PM, <sgalonski1@...> wrote:

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> Beam heading 240 degrees.
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> Stan
> KB6RQZ
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> Can anyone else get a beam heading on it?
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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11255. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 00:20:28 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11249 Message: 11255

Well, it is outside the band - about 13.999.69
Maybe a Mars or commercial test.
frank w0ecs

Zack Widup wrote:
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> Hmm ... weird. I suspected it was in the USA but that would probably
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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11256. MIdway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 00:49:50 UTC
From: Norman Alexander
Topic: 11256 Message: 11256

Received the following - they may be good to go by now however.
Regards,

Norm W4QN
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News Flash:

The entire team is in Honolulu. On Thursday when the first members were to depart to Midway we were informed of a problem with the plane involving an oil leak. We were assured it was fixable. Friday several test flights were made that determined that the repairs were unsuccessful. We are frantically searching for alternative means. We discovered yesterday that there are no available planes on the island that are either certified to fly to Midway or large enough for us. We are negotiating with a company in California for a jet as well. The plane we original chartered is about to take off on a test flight to determine if the repairs made overnight were successful.

The team is not giving up and exploring ALL options to make this happen. Fish and Wildlife is being very supportive of our efforts but in no way will they extend the end date of our operation beyond the 19th due to the return of migratory species that have already begun to return early.

We will update this website in 5 or 6 hours when the plane returns and is checked out. We are as frustrated as you.

Tom Harrell N4XP

11257. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 03:21:53 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11249 Message: 11257

Well my OMNI VI+ hears 13.999.69 all the time in all directions and even on the dummy load. Would you believe B1RDY???

From: Frank T Brady
Sent: Saturday, October 10, 2009 7:20 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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11258. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 03:37:08 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11249 Message: 11258

Birdy? pterodactyl maybe.
Anyway it's gone at 11:30 est in ga.
73, frank w0ecs

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M wrote:
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> Well my OMNI VI+ hears 13.999.69 all the time in all directions and
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> *From:* Frank T Brady <mailto:franktbrady@...>
> *Sent:* Saturday, October 10, 2009 7:20 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000
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11259. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 13:07:24 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11249 Message: 11259
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Interesting to note that just before this carrier appeared there was a
several hundred KHz wide very strong woodpecker just below the band
edge. It lasted a couple of hours. I was impressed how it abruptly
terminated at the band edge. So whatever the source, they clearly are
attempting to stay within an assigned frequency slot.

The woodpecker stopped and the carrier showed up.

73 de Brian/K3KO

Frank T Brady wrote:
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> 73, frank w0ecs
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> CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M wrote:
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>> *From:* Frank T Brady <mailto:franktbrady@...>
>> *Sent:* Saturday, October 10, 2009 7:20 PM
>> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
>> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000
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>>> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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> No virus found in this incoming message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.421 / Virus Database: 270.14.9/2427 - Release Date: 10/10/09 06:39:00
>

11260. Re: Newest IRCs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 14:53:09 UTC
From: W3NJ
Topic: 9233 Message: 11260

Has anyone successfully purchased any of the new IRC's? Tried 2 big post offices here in Austin and they either had the old ones or none at all. One clerk said the new ones weren't printed yet, but I've seen messages in other groups that they came out in Sept. I have a few DX QSLs/SAEs burning a hole in the table in my shack ;-)

tnx es 73
Bruce -W3NJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Ron Notarius W3WN" <wn3vaw@...> wrote:
>
> Art,
>
> Before doing going to the US Postal "service," check with some of your local
> DX'ers.
>
> Considering that IRC's are retailing for over $2 each right now (when you
> can find them!) but can only be redeemed for a $.94 stamp... surely there
> are other DX'ers in your vicinity who'd be willing to split the difference
> with you...
>
> (And if I needed any, which I don't at the moment, I'd be talking to you
> myself...)
>
> 73, ron w3wn
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: "Art Burke" aburkefl@... aburkefl
> Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2009 6:33 am ((PDT))
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Newest IRCs
>
> After reading a missive on an HS listing at QRZ.COM, I'm wandering in and
> out of the IRC game.
>
> I have a wad of IRCs due to expire at the end of this year. Is there a newer
> version of the IRC available that expires sometime beyond the end of 2009?
>
> Not likely to use all these up before the end of the year. May have to visit
> the post office and redeem them. Better to lose some of the money than to
> lose it all!
>
> Art - N4PJ
>

11261. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Newest IRCs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 18:15:36 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 9233 Message: 11261

At 07:53 AM 10/11/2009, W3NJ wrote:
>Has anyone successfully purchased any of the new IRC's?

Yes. I have fifty brand new ones sitting in my QSL cash box. They
have been available to the retail Post Offices since September 10
and, as a matter of fact, the old ones should not be sold after October 15.

I suggest you download US Postal Bulletin PR 22267, September 10, 2009, from
http://www.usps.com/cpim/ftp/bulletin/2009/pb22267/pdf/pb22267.pdf

Take pages 11 and 12 with you to the PO and courteously ask the
Counter Supervisor or Postmaster to read them. They describe how the
local PO obtains IRCs through their normal supply channels and how
they dispose of any old ones they have left.

Just be nice. The postal regs are very complicated and ever-changing.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11262. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-11 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11262

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 11 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 284 Issued at 2200Z on 11 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
to 11/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels. A
geomagnetic sudden impulse occurred at 11/0042Z (09 nT, as measured
by the Boulder USGS magnetometer). ACE solar wind observations
indicated a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream commenced early
in the period. Solar wind velocities gradually increased during the
period (peak 463 km/sec at 11/1901Z). A period of mostly southward
Bz was observed during 11/0430 - 0800Z (minimum -10 nT at 11/0636Z).
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at mostly quiet levels through the period (12 - 14
October) with a chance for isolated unsettled conditions as the
recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream persists.
III. Event Probabilities 12 Oct-14 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 11 Oct 070
Predicted 12 Oct-14 Oct 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 11 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 10 Oct 000/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 11 Oct 007/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 12 Oct-14 Oct 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 12 Oct-14 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-October, through Sunday, 11th-October there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3D2/c, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FR, FR/g, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (QRT). The 3D20CR is now QRT as of October 8th. Last report is that the team made over 32k QSOs. QSL via DJ8NK, by the bureau or direct (new IRCs are OK, old IRCs with expiration date of "31 Dec. 2009" are "NOT" OK. QSL cards are most likely to be sent out in January 2010). For more details and possible updates, see their Web page at: http://www.conwayreef2009.de

Also watch QRZ.com for updates at: http://www.qrz.com/db/3d20cr

4O, MONTENEGRO. Tonno, ES5TV, will be active as 4O3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Activity will be from Ranko, 4O3A, superstation. QSL via 4O3A, direct or by the LoTW.

4S, SRI LANKA. Operators Heinz/DL1IH and Salvo/DH7SA are expected to be active as 4S7AAG and 4S7SAG, respectively, during a holiday DXpedition sometime in October. Stay tuned!

4X, ISRAEL. Yoshi, JE2EHP, will be active as 4X/K1HP from Tel Aviv and Jerusalem in Israel between October 29th and November 5th. Activity will be on all the HF bands and 6m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL is via Bureau to his home callsign JE2EHP.

5B, CYPRUS. John, G4IRN, will be active as 5B/G4IRN between November 27-30th. Activity will include a CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via LoTW or via G4IRN.

5Z, KENYA (IOTA Op). Operators Enrico/5Z4ES, Francesco/IK8TEO, Antonio/ IK8UHA and Anthonio/IK8VRH are planning to be in Kenya and activate two IOTA islands between February 10-20th (2010). Callsign will be 5Z0H (IK8VRH informs OPDX that this will be the only time [first time] the 5Z0 prefix will be used) and islands mentioned are Lamu Island (AF-040) and Wasini Island (AF-067). QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or direct to IK8VRH: P.O. Box 173, I-80016 Marano (NA), Italy. Visit the 5Z4H Web page at: http://5z4h.sitonline.it

6V, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Seb, F8IJV, will be on his honeymoon here between October 15th and November 1st. He plans to be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). He will try to operate before and after the contest as 6V7Q on 160-6 meters, mainly on SSB and the Digital modes. He will be operating from Jean-Francois, 6W7RV, QTH in La Somone. QSL via F8IJV.

8Q, MALDIVES. Jim, G3VDB, will be active 8Q7EJ from Vilamendhoo Island (AS-013) between now and October 25th. Activity will be holiday style and subject to hotel permission and local conditions. Look for operations on CW, RTTY, PSK31 and possibly SSB. He will use 100 watts into wire antennas. QSL via his home callsign.

CM2, CUBA. Frank, CM2IR, informs OPDX that he is on 40 meters using BPSK31 on 7035 kHz (IOTA NA015 and GRID LOCATOR EL83tc). He is also on SSB around 7150 and 7170 kHz (times not provide). QSL via EB7DX, QSL Manager with 2 USDs or IRCs. QSL SENDING ONLY BY REQUEST!!!

CN, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, will be active as CN2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via W7EJ. See the station from CN2R at: http://www.arraysolutions.com/Users/cn2r.htm

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mauri, OH2BYS, will once again be active as EA8CMX from Galdar, Isla de Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L0969), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (???) entry. He is testing wire yagis/beverages on lower bands. QSL via OH2BYS.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. A group of Spanish operators will be active as EE9Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as Multi-2 or Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA9LZ (QRZ.com). Operators mentioned are: Cristobal/EA7RU, Jorge/EA7HZ, Jose/EA9CD, Enrique/EA9GW, Jose/EA9PY, Mariano/EA9LS and Jorge/EA9LZ.

EI, IRELAND (On the Bird!). Marc, W4MPS, will be active as EI/W4MPS from County Cork between October 16-26th. Most of the time he will be in Grid IO52, although he may also travel to IO42 and IO51 (if the family ever lets him out of the pub). Marc states that he uses a FT-60R at 5 watts and an Arrow antenna on AO-51.

FS, SAINT MARTIN (Possible PJ7). Craig, AH8DX, will once again be active as FS/AH8DX starting October 22nd. Activity will include the CQWW DX Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Operations outside of the contest will be on 160/80 meters CW and SSB. Look for 40 meters RTTY also. QSL via AH8DX direct or via LoTW. Craig may also be active as PJ7/AH8DX from St. Maarten.

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (QRT). The FT5GA team is now QRT and is happy that the goal of 50k QSOs was reached by a crew of 5 operators with two and sometimes three stations. The FT5GA went QRT on October 7th (a day earlier than expected due to the military flight schedule). According to their Web page, they have made a total of 50427 QSOs with 15250 unique callsigns (24235/CW, 21080/SSB and 5112/RTTY). For updated details, visit the FT5GA Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr
QSL Manager is F5OGL: Didier Senmartin, P.O. Box 7, F-53320 LOIRON, FRANCE. Online log is available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA
LATE MINUTE ADD-ONS: Didier, F5OGL, states, "The logs of the FT5GA operation will be very soon on LoTW." Also, a couple of pictures of the operation are now available at: http://picasaweb.google.fr/MauriceF5NQL/FT5GA#

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. A group of the contesters from Quito Radio Club will be active as HC8N from Isla de San Cristobal (SA-004, WLOTA L0094) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via W5UE.

HG0, HUNGARY (WFF Op). This October, members of the Regionalis Radios Sportklub Puspokladany plan to start a year long activation of different Hungarian National Parks that qualify for the WFF program (see the Web page at: http://www.wff44.com/en). The first event will take place from the Hortobagy National Park <http://www.hnp.hu/index_en.php> between October 12-18th. The area has a reference number of HAFF-006. They will use the special callsign HG0WFF. QSL by the Bureau is "OK", but their QSL Manager is HA0HW. Some of the operators will use their own callsign with mark /p.

HP, PANAMA. Members of the Radio Club de Panama (HP1RCP) will be active during the 2009 JOTA event, October 17-18th, from Panama City, Panama, Colegio La Salle assisting Troop 4.

ID9N VIDEO AVAILABLE ON YOU TUBE! Members of the Noantri DX & Contest Team that were active as ID9N from Vulcano Island (Eolian Group) (IIA ME-018, MIA MI-122, WLOTA 1001) in April, now have a video available on YouTube at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iwbJb66leaM

INDIAN OCEAN GRIDS (On the Birds). Jim, ND9M/VQ9JC, sailing toward Diego Garcia (VQ9) at about 27, will be activating the following grids during the following AO-51 passes:
November 11th at 2258z - MI95 or MI96 (as ND9M)
November 12th at 1304z - MI84 (as ND9M)
November 12th at 2355z - MI63 (as either ND9M or VQ9JC)
November 13th at 1224Z - MI62 (as VQ9JC)
Jim will try to be active for AO-27 on Monday (November 12th/0757z) and Tuesday (November 13th/0906z). Those times are during his work schedule, and he may not be able to set up. Also, Jim "may" be active on SO-50 for very late passes Sunday (November 11th/1924z for MI96 or NI06) and Monday night (November 12th/1814z for MI73 or MI63). Jim is operating full duplex with an FT-897D (TX) and FT-817ND (RX).

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-038. Ben/DO1BEN and YL Barbara/DO1IQ will be active as PD/homecalls from Texel Island (WLOTA L0043) between October 16-22nd.
Activity will be on the HF bands, propagation permitting.
QSL via their home callsigns, the Bureau is preferred.

EU-054. Operators Raffaello/IT9ATF, Renato/IT9NPR, Pippo/IT9PPG, Antonino/IT9SAZ and Pino/IT9WDC will be active as IF9A from Favignana Island (IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA LH-1545), between October 24-25th, for the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on all bands and modes outside of the contest. QSL via IT9ATF, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-118. RARE IOTA! Operators Oscar/EA1DR, George/EC2ADN, Christian/EA3NT, Col/MM0NDX and Bjorn/SM0MDG are planning a DXpedition to Flannan Isles (a extremely difficult island to land on) during sometime early/mid-June, 2010. Last activation was in 2002 (also in 1989 and 1995). QSL Manager will be M0URX. More details, the callsign and Web site will be forthcoming.

NA-036. Rob, VE7RSV, will be active from Vancouver Island (CISA BC001, WLOTA L0858) during the W/VE Islands QSO Party (October 17-18th). QSL via address on QRZ.com.

OC-142. Ray, K9LUK, will be active as K9LUK/VK4 from Frazer Island between October 18-23rd. QSL via his home callsign direct.

SA-008. Orlando, PY2TJ, will be active as LU/PY2TJ from Isla Tierra Del Fuego (WLOTA L2448) between November 1-7th. Activity

will be on all HF bands. QSL via PT2OP, direct is preferred
or by the Bureau.

SA-058. Members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5F from
Farallon Centinela Island between November 6-9th. Activity
is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Caracas DX Group.
Operations will be on 80-2 meters using CW, SSB and FM. QSL
via DM4TI.

J5, GUINEA-BISSAU. Jose, CT1DSV, will be active as J5S between October
12-18th (especially between October 17-18th). QSL via his home callsign.

J8, ST. LUCIA. John, W5JON, will once again be operating from the hilltop
QTH overlooking the Caribbean Sea and Marigot Bay in St. Lucia, between
October 20-30th. His callsign will be J68JA. Reference numbers are: IOTA
NA-108 and Grid Square FK93. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (including
60m) on SSB. He will use an ICOM IC-7000, KL-400 Amp (350 watts) into
the following antennas: Alpha Delta DX-LB and DX-EE Dipoles, and a 3
element yagi on 6m. Activity will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W5JON. John
adds, "As in the past, XYL Cathy/W5HAM will be very busy pool side."

JT1, MONGOLIA (EME Op). Operators Jeremy/W7EME and Jim/K7YO are active
on 2 meter EME from Mongolia as JT1UN and JT1UN/JT5, and also JT1YO
and JT1YO/JT5 on 70cm, until October 14th. Activity will be from the
JT1KAA HQ station of the Mongolian Amateur Radio Society. This operation
will be the first Moon Bounce QSO from Mongolia. For more information,
please visit: http://www.w7eme.org/ulaanbaatar

KH4, MIDWAY ISLANDS (OC-030). On Saturday, October 10th, the following
press release was sent out from Tom, N4XP: "The entire team is in Honolulu.
On Thursday when the first members were to depart to Midway we were
informed of a problem with the plane involving an oil leak. We were
assured it was fixable. Friday several test flights were made that
determined that the repairs were unsuccessful. We are frantically
searching for alternative means. We discovered yesterday that there
are no available planes on the island that are either certified to fly
to Midway or large enough for us. We are negotiating with a company in
California for a jet as well. The plane we originally chartered is about
to take off on a test flight to determine if the repairs made overnight
were successful. The team is not giving up and exploring ALL options to
make this happen. Fish and Wildlife is being very supportive of our
efforts but in no way will they extend the end date of our operation
beyond the 19th due to the return of migratory species that have already
begun to return early. We will update this website in 5 or 6 hours when
the plane returns and is checked out. We are as frustrated as you."
On Sunday, just before going to print, a statement on the KH4 Web page
states, "(0400z) We have just learned our aircraft is in the air testing
repairs made in the past 24 hours. We are anxiously waiting the results."
For more details, updates, online log, frequencies and bios, go to:
http://www.midway2009.com

QSL via online QSL Service, direct (Midway 2009, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620-9989 USA) or LoTW. See the above Web page for complete details.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For October 12-18th)....
Oct 12 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Oct 13 AN ---------------
Oct 14 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct 15 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct 16 AN LN - Low Normal
Oct 17 AN
Oct 18 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Lee, KH6BZF, informs OPDX that a relief fund is now set up for American Samoa at: C/O BANK OF HAWAII, ATTN: AMERICAN SAMOA RELIEF, 111 SOUTH KING STREET, HONOLULU, HI 96813.

MU, GUERNSEY. Gerhard, OE3GEA, will be active as MU/OE3GEA from Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA L0013) between October 27-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and low power only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NYQP IS BACK! (After 25 years!) The Rochester DX Association looks forward to your support and participation in the 2009 New York QSO Party. The event takes place Saturday, October 17th, starting at 1800z (2:00 PM Eastern) for 12 hours. Check out the NYQP Web page for complete rules, FAQ's, Software, Forum, County maps and Log submissions at: http://www.NYQP.org Over thirty plaques to be awarded. <http://www.NYQP.org/sponsorship.php>

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Look for OH0Z to be active once again in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are: Juha/OH1JT, Timo/OH1NOA, Jouko/OH1RX, Timo/OH1TM, Ari/OH5DX, Tomi/ OH6EI, Timo/OH6GLE and Juha/OH6XX. QSL via W0MM.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Members and non-members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) as PJ2T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via N9AG or LoTW. Operators mentioned are: Geoff/W0CG/PJ2DX, David/G3NKC, Martin/G4XUM, Kyle/WA4PGM, John/K6AM, Wayne/K8LEE, Joe/W9JUV, Kelly/N0VD and Richard/N0YY. Operators will sign as PJ2/homecall before the contest on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns. Visit the CCC Web site at: http://www.pj2t.org

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
TC1ELH via POB 73, Karakoy 34421, Istanbul, Turkey. There was activity by the TCSWAT from the Marmara Eregli Lighthouse (TUR059) during this past weekend. This was the first activation of the lighthouse. If you are interested in Lighthouse activities, please check the Web site for

upcoming TCSWAT events and awards at: http://www.tcswat.org

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5W0VK and XV3RRC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 6I7CQ, 6J2T, 7P8OK, A45WD, A61Q, EA9IB, T6AD, TO8YY, TU5JM, V51AS, XF4T, YS1MAE, Z29KM and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: EZ8BO, EZ10BO, EZ21BO, EZ75BO, EZ56BO, EZ60SB, EZ3A, EZ75R, EZ21A, EZ56V, EZ10A, EZ8CW and EZ8-001

TC1, TURKEY. Club members for the TRAC Istanbul Branch (TA1KB) will activate their new club station using the special callsign TC1IEM between October 16-18th, for the "Istanbul Eurasia Marathon". The race will take place on October 18th, and it is the only marathon race that starts from Asia and ends in Europe. Details about the race are on: http://www.istanbulmarathon.org/en/index.php
The race course is only two hundred meters away from the new club station. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via the TA Bureau is preferred (or direct to TA1KB).

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entries. QSL via LX1NO.

TK, CORSICA (Contest and IOTA Op). Paolo, IV3UHL, will be active as TK/IV3UHL during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via IV3UHL. He states that he will probably activate EU-164 before the contest. He is also looking for one more operator. If interested, E-mail him at: iv3uhl1@...

TK, CORSICA. Salvatore, IK8UND, will be active as TK9R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Assisted entry. Look for activity on CW and RTTY before the contest. QSL via IK8UND direct ONLY.

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY report on their Web page that last minute tests and preparations are under way for the TX3A operation to take place between November 23rd and December 6th. Equipment is being packed and weighed. They have both weight and capacity constraints, and they like to keep things simple. Many improve-ments have been made to the equipment (antennas and radios). They have also loaded and tested RTTY hardware and software. There will be RTTY on Chesterfield Island, if they make it there! Read their complete update at: http://www.tx3a.com/news.html

TX5, AUSTRAL AND MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update). Operators Les/SP3DOI, Jan/ SP3CYY, Wojciech/SP9PT, Jozef/SP9-31029 and Michel/FO5QB will be moving onto Nuku Hiva Island (OC-027) in the Marquesas Islands group between October 16-22nd. Callsigns will be TX5SPM. Remember, their goal is to make as many QSOs as possible, mainly with Europe on the lower frequency bands. If possible (propagation), they will also be working on all the higher bands. They are planning to be active on CW, SSB and RTTY (maybe

PSK31). The QSL Manager for their DXpeditions is Wojciech, SP9PT. For more details and updates, go to: http://fo2009sp.pl

V3, BELIZE. Rich, N0HJZ, will be active as V31MW from Placencia between October 17-26th. Activity will be on all bands during his stay. He will also operate as V31MW during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Operator/All-Band/High-Power entry. Rich informs OPDX that he may be the only entrant on from Belize this year, so make sure you look for him. QSL via LoTW or direct with SASE.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operator Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, QC (Zone 2), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via VE3DZ. He will be there between October 21-26th.

VK8, AUSTRALIA. Stuie, VK8NSB, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via VK6NE.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Operators George/K2DM, Peter/K3ZM, Glen/W4GKA and Jim/AD4J will be active as VP2MDG, VP2MZM, VP2MKA and VP2MIJ, respectively, from October 20-28th. The group will also be active as VP2MDG during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Also, look for VP2MDG on 6m SSB and VP2MZM on 160m CW outside the contest. QSL to their home callsigns.

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Paul, W4/VP9KF (G4BKI), will once again be active as VP9KF from Baileys Bay, Hamilton Parish, between November 4-18th. Activity will only be CW on all bands. QSL via W4/VP9KF: Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615. Visit his Web page at: http://vp9kf.com/ Please, DO NOT send to the VP9 bureau.

VY1, CANADA (Yukon on 10 Meters!). "Yukon John", KL7JR, informs OPDX that plans are underway for the activation of Jacquot Island ("new one" in Kluane Lake) before and during ARRL's December 10 Meter Contest (December 11-13th). John states, "Hopefully the lake will be frozen enough to allow me to drive out to it! Can't seem to get there in summer- hi hi!" Look for VY1RST to concentrate on 10 meters for the contest and 14.260 (main) for non-contest activities. QSL via KL7JR by the CBA. LAST MINUTE ADD-ON: John/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY will be on 10-20 meters from Buckshot Betty's Cabins in Beaver Creek as VY1RST between November 19-23rd (before and during ARRL's November SS Phone Contest). E-mail for skeds at: KL7JR@...

W4, UNITED STATES (Special Event). As part of National Wildlife Refuge Week <http://www.nwrweek-radio.info/>, the South Florida DX Association (K4FK) will activate the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge <http://www.fws.gov/loxahatchee> on Saturday, October 17th, from 1400-1830z, using the 1x1 call W4R. The station will be active on 20 and 40 meters SSB, and possibly CW. QSL via WA4WTG, with SASE.

WORLD WIDE DXPEDITION TROPHY (by Strange Radio Team). The Strange Radio Team presents the exclusive "WORLD WIDE DXPEDITION TROPHY" (WWDT) to the

DXpedition of the year that provided the greatest interest to the ham radio world. The DXPEDITION is chosen from a yearly survey which is available in many ham magazines (both Italian and international) and on the Web at: http://www.strangeradioteam.com
The current survey being taken is for DXpeditions which took place between June 1st, 2008, and June 1st, 2009. The survey will end January 31st, 2010. The DXPEDITION that is choosen/selected the most will be rewarded with a trophy. You can select or suggest a DXpedition at the following Web page at: http://www.strangeradioteam.com/wwdxt/index.asp
The award will be presented during the "International DX Convention" organized by Strange Radio Team. Currently, there are 70 DXpeditions to vote for.

YJ, VANUATU (OC-035). Tomas, VK2CCC, will be active as YJ0CCC between October 30th and November 5th. Activity will be limited, but operations will mainly be on 160/80 meters CW. Also, look for some activity on the new 60 meters band (5403.5 kHz USB). QSL via his home callsign, the bureau is preferred.

YS, EL SALVADOR. Members of the Club de Radio Aficionados de El Salvador (CRAS) will be active as YS1YS during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via YS1GMV. Operators mentioned are: Francisco/YS1FAF, Federico/YS1FEA, Mario/YS1GMV, Mario/YS1MAE, Jose/YS1MS and Florencio/YS1ZC.

Z3, MACEDONIA. Members of the Radio Club "Nikola Tesla" (Z37M) and the MDXC will be active as Z37M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via Z37M, by the Bureau or from the info on QRZ.com. Operators mentioned are: Ant/IZ8CCW, Pasquale/IZ8IYX, Dario/IT9SSI, Antonello/IT9YVO, Gianni/IZ8CGS, Alex/IZ8MOQ, Dom/IZ8JAI, Venco/Z36W and Chris/Z35X. Look for more details on the MDXC Web page at: http://www.mdxc.org

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11264. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #929.1

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KH4, MIDWAY ISLANDS (Update). The K4M Web page is now reporting the following (as of 2100z, October 11th):
"Last night (as many of you know who watched N8E on flightaware.com) ended after only 1 hour in failure.

However, the flight last night was also a success in ruling out 7 swapped parts as not being the failure point. However they still didn't fix the problem. This morning they replaced the last of the possible parts. We have just returned from the hanger after visiting with the mechanics, who are tired of seeing our faces and are telling us so! They are pretty sure (yeah we heard that before) that they now have isolated the leaking part. They have replaced it and are about to run up the engine again. Following protocol they should be in the air within an hour to begin their test flight. Our destination is over open ocean and there are no emergency landing strips along the way. They can not take us to Midway until they know they can fly the distance without issue. We are also still frantically searching for alternatives, but there are no planes on Midway certified to fly there by F & W. There is a possible plane on the way to Hawaii from Las Vegas and we are pursuing this.
This is rare for a reason.
The minute we know this test flight is a success we will update the website and we are in a standby position. Wish us luck."

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11265. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #929 (Corrected)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-October, through Sunday, 11th-October there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3D2/c, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FR, FR/g, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (QRT). The 3D20CR is now QRT as of October 8th. Last report is that the team made over 32k QSOs. QSL via DJ8NK, by the bureau or direct (new IRCs are OK, old IRCs with expiration date of "31 Dec. 2009" are "NOT" OK. QSL cards are most likely to be sent out in January 2010). For more details and possible updates, see their Web page at: http://www.conwayreef2009.de

Also watch QRZ.com for updates at: http://www.qrz.com/db/3d20cr

4O, MONTENEGRO. Tonno, ES5TV, will be active as 4O3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Activity will be from Ranko, 4O3A, superstation. QSL via 4O3A, direct or by the LoTW.

4S, SRI LANKA. Operators Heinz/DL1IH and Salvo/DH7SA are expected to be active as 4S7AAG and 4S7SAG, respectively, during a holiday DXpedition sometime in October. Stay tuned!

4X, ISRAEL. Yoshi, JE2EHP, will be active as 4X/K1HP from Tel Aviv and Jerusalem in Israel between October 29th and November 5th. Activity will be on all the HF bands and 6m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL is via Bureau to his home callsign JE2EHP.

5B, CYPRUS. John, G4IRN, will be active as 5B/G4IRN between November 27-30th. Activity will include a CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via LoTW or via G4IRN.

5Z, KENYA (IOTA Op). Operators Enrico/5Z4ES, Francesco/IK8TEO, Antonio/ IK8UHA and Anthonio/IK8VRH are planning to be in Kenya and activate two IOTA islands between February 10-20th (2010). Callsign will be 5Z0H (IK8VRH informs OPDX that this will be the only time [first time] the 5Z0 prefix will be used) and islands mentioned are Lamu Island (AF-040) and Wasini Island (AF-067). QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or direct to IK8VRH: P.O. Box 173, I-80016 Marano (NA), Italy. Visit the 5Z4H Web page at: http://5z4h.sitonline.it

6V, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Seb, F8IJV, will be on his honeymoon here between October 15th and November 1st. He plans to be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). He will try to operate before and after the contest as 6V7Q on 160-6 meters, mainly on SSB and the Digital modes. He will be operating from Jean-Francois, 6W7RV, QTH in La Somone. QSL via F8IJV.

8Q, MALDIVES. Jim, G3VDB, will be active 8Q7EJ from Vilamendhoo Island (AS-013) between now and October 25th. Activity will be holiday style and subject to hotel permission and local conditions. Look for operations on CW, RTTY, PSK31 and possibly SSB. He will use 100 watts into wire antennas. QSL via his home callsign.

CM2, CUBA. Frank, CM2IR, informs OPDX that he is on 40 meters using BPSK31 on 7035 kHz (IOTA NA015 and GRID LOCATOR EL83tc). He is also on SSB around 7150 and 7170 kHz (times not provide). QSL via EB7DX, QSL Manager with 2 USDs or IRCs. QSL SENDING ONLY BY REQUEST!!!

CN, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, will be active as CN2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via W7EJ. See the station from CN2R at: http://www.arraysolutions.com/Users/cn2r.htm

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mauri, OH2BYS, will once again be active as EA8CMX from Galdar, Isla de Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L0969), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (???) entry. He is testing wire yagis/beverages on lower bands. QSL via OH2BYS.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. A group of Spanish operators will be active as EE9Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as Multi-2 or Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA9LZ (QRZ.com). Operators mentioned are: Cristobal/EA7RU, Jorge/EA7HZ, Jose/EA9CD, Enrique/EA9GW, Jose/EA9PY, Mariano/EA9LS and Jorge/EA9LZ.

EI, IRELAND (On the Bird!). Marc, W4MPS, will be active as EI/W4MPS from County Cork between October 16-26th. Most of the time he will be in Grid IO52, although he may also travel to IO42 and IO51 (if the family ever lets him out of the pub). Marc states that he uses a FT-60R at 5 watts and an Arrow antenna on AO-51.

FS, SAINT MARTIN (Possible PJ7). Craig, AH8DX, will once again be active as FS/AH8DX starting October 22nd. Activity will include the CQWW DX Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Operations outside of the contest will be on 160/80 meters CW and SSB. Look for 40 meters RTTY also. QSL via AH8DX direct or via LoTW. Craig may also be active as PJ7/AH8DX from St. Maarten.

FT/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND (QRT). The FT5GA team is now QRT and is happy that the goal of 50k QSOs was reached by a crew of 5 operators with two and sometimes three stations. The FT5GA went QRT on October 7th (a day earlier than expected due to the military flight schedule). According to their Web page, they have made a total of 50427 QSOs with 15250 unique callsigns (24235/CW, 21080/SSB and 5112/RTTY). For updated details, visit the FT5GA Web page at: http://glorieuses2008.free.fr
QSL Manager is F5OGL: Didier Senmartin, P.O. Box 7, F-53320 LOIRON, FRANCE. Online log is available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5GA
LATE MINUTE ADD-ONS: Didier, F5OGL, states, "The logs of the FT5GA operation will be very soon on LoTW." Also, a couple of pictures of the operation are now available at: http://picasaweb.google.fr/MauriceF5NQL/FT5GA#

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. A group of the contesters from Quito Radio Club will be active as HC8N from Isla de San Cristobal (SA-004, WLOTA L0094) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via W5UE.

HG0, HUNGARY (WFF Op). This October, members of the Regionalis Radios Sportklub Puspokladany plan to start a year long activation of different Hungarian National Parks that qualify for the WFF program (see the Web page at: http://www.wff44.com/en). The first event will take place from the Hortobagy National Park <http://www.hnp.hu/index_en.php> between October 12-18th. The area has a reference number of HAFF-006. They will use the special callsign HG0WFF. QSL by the Bureau is "OK", but their QSL Manager is HA0HW. Some of the operators will use their own callsign with mark /p.

HP, PANAMA. Members of the Radio Club de Panama (HP1RCP) will be active during the 2009 JOTA event, October 17-18th, from Panama City, Panama, Colegio La Salle assisting Troop 4.

ID9N VIDEO AVAILABLE ON YOU TUBE! Members of the Noantri DX & Contest Team that were active as ID9N from Vulcano Island (Eolian Group) (IIA ME-018, MIA MI-122, WLOTA 1001) in April, now have a video available on YouTube at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iwbJb66leaM

INDIAN OCEAN GRIDS (On the Birds). Jim, ND9M/VQ9JC, sailing toward Diego Garcia (VQ9) at about 27, will be activating the following grids during the following AO-51 passes:
October 11th at 2258z - MI95 or MI96 (as ND9M)
October 12th at 1304z - MI84 (as ND9M)
October 12th at 2355z - MI63 (as either ND9M or VQ9JC)
October 13th at 1224Z - MI62 (as VQ9JC)
Jim will try to be active for AO-27 on Monday (October 12th/0757z) and Tuesday (October 13th/0906z). Those times are during his work schedule, and he may not be able to set up. Also, Jim "may" be active on SO-50 for very late passes Sunday (October 11th/1924z for MI96 or NI06) and Monday night (October 12th/1814z for MI73 or MI63). Jim is operating full duplex with an FT-897D (TX) and FT-817ND (RX).

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-038. Ben/DO1BEN and YL Barbara/DO1IQ will be active as PD/homecalls from Texel Island (WLOTA L0043) between October 16-22nd.
Activity will be on the HF bands, propagation permitting.
QSL via their home callsigns, the Bureau is preferred.

EU-054. Operators Raffaello/IT9ATF, Renato/IT9NPR, Pippo/IT9PPG, Antonino/IT9SAZ and Pino/IT9WDC will be active as IF9A from Favignana Island (IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA LH-1545), between October 24-25th, for the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on all bands and modes outside of the contest. QSL via IT9ATF, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-118. RARE IOTA! Operators Oscar/EA1DR, George/EC2ADN, Christian/EA3NT, Col/MM0NDX and Bjorn/SM0MDG are planning a DXpedition to Flannan Isles (a extremely difficult island to land on) during sometime early/mid-June, 2010. Last activation was in 2002 (also in 1989 and 1995). QSL Manager will be M0URX. More details, the callsign and Web site will be forthcoming.

NA-036. Rob, VE7RSV, will be active from Vancouver Island (CISA BC001, WLOTA L0858) during the W/VE Islands QSO Party (October 17-18th). QSL via address on QRZ.com.

OC-142. Ray, K9LUK, will be active as K9LUK/VK4 from Frazer Island between October 18-23rd. QSL via his home callsign direct.

SA-008. Orlando, PY2TJ, will be active as LU/PY2TJ from Isla Tierra Del Fuego (WLOTA L2448) between November 1-7th. Activity

will be on all HF bands. QSL via PT2OP, direct is preferred
or by the Bureau.

SA-058. Members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5F from
Farallon Centinela Island between November 6-9th. Activity
is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Caracas DX Group.
Operations will be on 80-2 meters using CW, SSB and FM. QSL
via DM4TI.

J5, GUINEA-BISSAU. Jose, CT1DSV, will be active as J5S between October
12-18th (especially between October 17-18th). QSL via his home callsign.

J8, ST. LUCIA. John, W5JON, will once again be operating from the hilltop
QTH overlooking the Caribbean Sea and Marigot Bay in St. Lucia, between
October 20-30th. His callsign will be J68JA. Reference numbers are: IOTA
NA-108 and Grid Square FK93. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (including
60m) on SSB. He will use an ICOM IC-7000, KL-400 Amp (350 watts) into
the following antennas: Alpha Delta DX-LB and DX-EE Dipoles, and a 3
element yagi on 6m. Activity will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W5JON. John
adds, "As in the past, XYL Cathy/W5HAM will be very busy pool side."

JT1, MONGOLIA (EME Op). Operators Jeremy/W7EME and Jim/K7YO are active
on 2 meter EME from Mongolia as JT1UN and JT1UN/JT5, and also JT1YO
and JT1YO/JT5 on 70cm, until October 14th. Activity will be from the
JT1KAA HQ station of the Mongolian Amateur Radio Society. This operation
will be the first Moon Bounce QSO from Mongolia. For more information,
please visit: http://www.w7eme.org/ulaanbaatar

KH4, MIDWAY ISLANDS (OC-030). On Saturday, October 10th, the following
press release was sent out from Tom, N4XP: "The entire team is in Honolulu.
On Thursday when the first members were to depart to Midway we were
informed of a problem with the plane involving an oil leak. We were
assured it was fixable. Friday several test flights were made that
determined that the repairs were unsuccessful. We are frantically
searching for alternative means. We discovered yesterday that there
are no available planes on the island that are either certified to fly
to Midway or large enough for us. We are negotiating with a company in
California for a jet as well. The plane we originally chartered is about
to take off on a test flight to determine if the repairs made overnight
were successful. The team is not giving up and exploring ALL options to
make this happen. Fish and Wildlife is being very supportive of our
efforts but in no way will they extend the end date of our operation
beyond the 19th due to the return of migratory species that have already
begun to return early. We will update this website in 5 or 6 hours when
the plane returns and is checked out. We are as frustrated as you."
On Sunday, just before going to print, a statement on the KH4 Web page
states, "(0400z) We have just learned our aircraft is in the air testing
repairs made in the past 24 hours. We are anxiously waiting the results."
For more details, updates, online log, frequencies and bios, go to:
http://www.midway2009.com

QSL via online QSL Service, direct (Midway 2009, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620-9989 USA) or LoTW. See the above Web page for complete details.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For October 12-18th)....
Oct 12 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Oct 13 AN ---------------
Oct 14 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct 15 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct 16 AN LN - Low Normal
Oct 17 AN
Oct 18 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Lee, KH6BZF, informs OPDX that a relief fund is now set up for American Samoa at: C/O BANK OF HAWAII, ATTN: AMERICAN SAMOA RELIEF, 111 SOUTH KING STREET, HONOLULU, HI 96813.

MU, GUERNSEY. Gerhard, OE3GEA, will be active as MU/OE3GEA from Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA L0013) between October 27-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and low power only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NYQP IS BACK! (After 25 years!) The Rochester DX Association looks forward to your support and participation in the 2009 New York QSO Party. The event takes place Saturday, October 17th, starting at 1800z (2:00 PM Eastern) for 12 hours. Check out the NYQP Web page for complete rules, FAQ's, Software, Forum, County maps and Log submissions at: http://www.NYQP.org Over thirty plaques to be awarded. <http://www.NYQP.org/sponsorship.php>

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Look for OH0Z to be active once again in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are: Juha/OH1JT, Timo/OH1NOA, Jouko/OH1RX, Timo/OH1TM, Ari/OH5DX, Tomi/ OH6EI, Timo/OH6GLE and Juha/OH6XX. QSL via W0MM.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Members and non-members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) as PJ2T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via N9AG or LoTW. Operators mentioned are: Geoff/W0CG/PJ2DX, David/G3NKC, Martin/G4XUM, Kyle/WA4PGM, John/K6AM, Wayne/K8LEE, Joe/W9JUV, Kelly/N0VD and Richard/N0YY. Operators will sign as PJ2/homecall before the contest on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns. Visit the CCC Web site at: http://www.pj2t.org

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
TC1ELH via POB 73, Karakoy 34421, Istanbul, Turkey. There was activity by the TCSWAT from the Marmara Eregli Lighthouse (TUR059) during this past weekend. This was the first activation of the lighthouse. If you are interested in Lighthouse activities, please check the Web site for

upcoming TCSWAT events and awards at: http://www.tcswat.org

QSLS VIA LOTW: 5W0VK and XV3RRC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 6I7CQ, 6J2T, 7P8OK, A45WD, A61Q, EA9IB, T6AD, TO8YY, TU5JM, V51AS, XF4T, YS1MAE, Z29KM and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: EZ8BO, EZ10BO, EZ21BO, EZ75BO, EZ56BO, EZ60SB, EZ3A, EZ75R, EZ21A, EZ56V, EZ10A, EZ8CW and EZ8-001

TC1, TURKEY. Club members for the TRAC Istanbul Branch (TA1KB) will activate their new club station using the special callsign TC1IEM between October 16-18th, for the "Istanbul Eurasia Marathon". The race will take place on October 18th, and it is the only marathon race that starts from Asia and ends in Europe. Details about the race are on: http://www.istanbulmarathon.org/en/index.php
The race course is only two hundred meters away from the new club station. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via the TA Bureau is preferred (or direct to TA1KB).

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entries. QSL via LX1NO.

TK, CORSICA (Contest and IOTA Op). Paolo, IV3UHL, will be active as TK/IV3UHL during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via IV3UHL. He states that he will probably activate EU-164 before the contest. He is also looking for one more operator. If interested, E-mail him at: iv3uhl1@...

TK, CORSICA. Salvatore, IK8UND, will be active as TK9R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Assisted entry. Look for activity on CW and RTTY before the contest. QSL via IK8UND direct ONLY.

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY report on their Web page that last minute tests and preparations are under way for the TX3A operation to take place between November 23rd and December 6th. Equipment is being packed and weighed. They have both weight and capacity constraints, and they like to keep things simple. Many improve-ments have been made to the equipment (antennas and radios). They have also loaded and tested RTTY hardware and software. There will be RTTY on Chesterfield Island, if they make it there! Read their complete update at: http://www.tx3a.com/news.html

TX5, AUSTRAL AND MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update). Operators Les/SP3DOI, Jan/ SP3CYY, Wojciech/SP9PT, Jozef/SP9-31029 and Michel/FO5QB will be moving onto Nuku Hiva Island (OC-027) in the Marquesas Islands group between October 16-22nd. Callsigns will be TX5SPM. Remember, their goal is to make as many QSOs as possible, mainly with Europe on the lower frequency bands. If possible (propagation), they will also be working on all the higher bands. They are planning to be active on CW, SSB and RTTY (maybe

PSK31). The QSL Manager for their DXpeditions is Wojciech, SP9PT. For more details and updates, go to: http://fo2009sp.pl

V3, BELIZE. Rich, N0HJZ, will be active as V31MW from Placencia between October 17-26th. Activity will be on all bands during his stay. He will also operate as V31MW during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Operator/All-Band/High-Power entry. Rich informs OPDX that he may be the only entrant on from Belize this year, so make sure you look for him. QSL via LoTW or direct with SASE.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operator Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, QC (Zone 2), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via VE3DZ. He will be there between October 21-26th.

VK8, AUSTRALIA. Stuie, VK8NSB, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via VK6NE.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Operators George/K2DM, Peter/K3ZM, Glen/W4GKA and Jim/AD4J will be active as VP2MDG, VP2MZM, VP2MKA and VP2MIJ, respectively, from October 20-28th. The group will also be active as VP2MDG during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Also, look for VP2MDG on 6m SSB and VP2MZM on 160m CW outside the contest. QSL to their home callsigns.

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Paul, W4/VP9KF (G4BKI), will once again be active as VP9KF from Baileys Bay, Hamilton Parish, between November 4-18th. Activity will only be CW on all bands. QSL via W4/VP9KF: Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615. Visit his Web page at: http://vp9kf.com/ Please, DO NOT send to the VP9 bureau.

VY1, CANADA (Yukon on 10 Meters!). "Yukon John", KL7JR, informs OPDX that plans are underway for the activation of Jacquot Island ("new one" in Kluane Lake) before and during ARRL's December 10 Meter Contest (December 11-13th). John states, "Hopefully the lake will be frozen enough to allow me to drive out to it! Can't seem to get there in summer- hi hi!" Look for VY1RST to concentrate on 10 meters for the contest and 14.260 (main) for non-contest activities. QSL via KL7JR by the CBA. LAST MINUTE ADD-ON: John/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY will be on 10-20 meters from Buckshot Betty's Cabins in Beaver Creek as VY1RST between November 19-23rd (before and during ARRL's November SS Phone Contest). E-mail for skeds at: KL7JR@...

W4, UNITED STATES (Special Event). As part of National Wildlife Refuge Week <http://www.nwrweek-radio.info/>, the South Florida DX Association (K4FK) will activate the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge <http://www.fws.gov/loxahatchee> on Saturday, October 17th, from 1400-1830z, using the 1x1 call W4R. The station will be active on 20 and 40 meters SSB, and possibly CW. QSL via WA4WTG, with SASE.

WORLD WIDE DXPEDITION TROPHY (by Strange Radio Team). The Strange Radio Team presents the exclusive "WORLD WIDE DXPEDITION TROPHY" (WWDT) to the

DXpedition of the year that provided the greatest interest to the ham radio world. The DXPEDITION is chosen from a yearly survey which is available in many ham magazines (both Italian and international) and on the Web at: http://www.strangeradioteam.com
The current survey being taken is for DXpeditions which took place between June 1st, 2008, and June 1st, 2009. The survey will end January 31st, 2010. The DXPEDITION that is choosen/selected the most will be rewarded with a trophy. You can select or suggest a DXpedition at the following Web page at: http://www.strangeradioteam.com/wwdxt/index.asp
The award will be presented during the "International DX Convention" organized by Strange Radio Team. Currently, there are 70 DXpeditions to vote for.

YJ, VANUATU (OC-035). Tomas, VK2CCC, will be active as YJ0CCC between October 30th and November 5th. Activity will be limited, but operations will mainly be on 160/80 meters CW. Also, look for some activity on the new 60 meters band (5403.5 kHz USB). QSL via his home callsign, the bureau is preferred.

YS, EL SALVADOR. Members of the Club de Radio Aficionados de El Salvador (CRAS) will be active as YS1YS during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via YS1GMV. Operators mentioned are: Francisco/YS1FAF, Federico/YS1FEA, Mario/YS1GMV, Mario/YS1MAE, Jose/YS1MS and Florencio/YS1ZC.

Z3, MACEDONIA. Members of the Radio Club "Nikola Tesla" (Z37M) and the MDXC will be active as Z37M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via Z37M, by the Bureau or from the info on QRZ.com. Operators mentioned are: Ant/IZ8CCW, Pasquale/IZ8IYX, Dario/IT9SSI, Antonello/IT9YVO, Gianni/IZ8CGS, Alex/IZ8MOQ, Dom/IZ8JAI, Venco/Z36W and Chris/Z35X. Look for more details on the MDXC Web page at: http://www.mdxc.org

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11266. Re: [DX-IS] MIdway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-12 01:36:11 UTC
From: Dale Frederick
Topic: 11256 Message: 11266

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KB5IY

Norman Alexander wrote:
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> Received the following - they may be good to go by now however.
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> Regards,
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> Norm W4QN
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> We will update this website in 5 or 6 hours when the plane returns and is
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> Tom Harrell N4XP
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11267. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #929.2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-12 01:44:48 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11267 Message: 11267

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.929.2
October 11, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, and AA1V for the following DX information.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLANDS (Update). Good News!!! OPDX has just been informed by Don, AA1V, who talked to N1DG, that the K4M team is preparing for departure now and should be airborne before 10:00 PM EDST (0200z).

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Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw@... --or-- kb8nw@...
Editor of the "Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin" (OPDX - "DXer's Tool of Excellence")
President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

11268. Re: [DX-IS] MIdway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-12 01:54:07 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11256 Message: 11268

Yes, Craig K9CT posted this to the SMC mailing list:

"We are boarding the plane for Midway soon. Departure at 0100Z. 4 and half hour flight. Cross your fingers! Watch www.midway2009.com for updates. We will have internet there. 73, Craig K9CT"

I hope Craig doesn't mind my posting it here.

73, Zack W9SZ

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11269. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-12 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11269

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 12 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 285 Issued at 2200Z on 12 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 11/2100Z
to 12/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No significant flare
activity occurred. The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 11/2100Z to 12/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels. The recurrent coronal
hole high-speed stream that commenced yesterday began to gradually
subside early in the period. Velocities gradually decreased from 435
to 350 km/sec during the period.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels during days 1 - 2 (13 - 14 October).
Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels on day
3 (15 October) as an equatorward extension of the northern crown
coronal hole begins to influence the field.
III. Event Probabilities 13 Oct-15 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 12 Oct 070
Predicted 13 Oct-15 Oct 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 12 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 11 Oct 007/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 12 Oct 002/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 13 Oct-15 Oct 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 Oct-15 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11270. 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 00:00:08 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11270 Message: 11270

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Art - N4PJ

11271. Re: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 00:12:17 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11270 Message: 11271

LMAO !

they were trying to SPOT , WH2X as K4M also !

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From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2009 7:00 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

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11272. RE: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 00:28:17 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11270 Message: 11272

Bodes well for all the crazies ... full moon tonite, should be fun.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: joeyw5tfw@...
Date: Mon, 12 Oct 2009 19:12:17 -0500
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

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11273. Re: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 02:27:13 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11270 Message: 11273

Dick, where are you that there is a full moon? We're down to about a half moon here at the Left Coast.
Rene - NorCal
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2009 5:28 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

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11274. Re: [DX-IS] Carrier on 14.000

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-12 01:34:51 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11249 Message: 11274

I heard someone thought it was from Russia but the beam headings people have reported to me would put it somewhere in the south Pacific. Did anyone outside the USA get a beam heading on it?
73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Oct 11, 2009 at 8:07 AM, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:

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> several hundred KHz wide very strong woodpecker just below the band
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> terminated at the band edge. So whatever the source, they clearly are
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> >> *From:* Frank T Brady <mailto:franktbrady@comcast.net<franktbrady%40comcast.net>
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> >> *Sent:* Saturday, October 10, 2009 7:20 PM
> >> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> <mailto:
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 03:19:25 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11249 Message: 11275

It was 20 over S9 here in Tucson.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: w9sz.zack@...
Date: Sun, 11 Oct 2009 20:34:51 -0500
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11276. RE: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 04:20:05 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11270 Message: 11276

Here in Paradise it's always Full Moon and the Nymphs dance the DX dance
all night. We don't need no Sundancers !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: tagteam@...
Date: Mon, 12 Oct 2009 19:27:13 -0700
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on Midway

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To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2009 5:28
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Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 6W/OK1FZM on
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11277. 4W6FR - 20M PSK-31

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 13:08:07 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11277 Message: 11277

Just worked 4W6FR - Chris on 20M PSK-31.... He's CQing - one call!

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

11278. Breathe of fresh air

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 13:36:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11278 Message: 11278

It sure was nice to hear K4M on 30M today working stations at a good clip with minimal QRM and not many inappropriate DX Cluster spots. They came out of the noise just past dawn here, and peaked around 11:15 UTC or so, about 45 minutes earlier than I would have expected. The opening was about 90 minutes in total, although they were only workable for about half that time. At their strongest they were S7 in Nova Scotia.

As the saying goes, "Better late than never." I would think these guys are going to put a lot of QSOs in many of our logs over the next week. They sure have started off with a bang.

73, Paul VE1DX

11279. 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 15:01:07 UTC
From: tedroycraft
Topic: 11279 Message: 11279

Just wondering if people know there is a 200 W PEP power limit on 30 meters or if they are just flaunting it. Listening to K4M it's pretty clear that there are a lot of KW+ stations calling him.

73, Ted, W2ZK

11280. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 15:11:10 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11279 Message: 11280

Come come,.....

US hams breaking the LAWS of the land ? Surely You jest !

----- Original Message -----
From: tedroycraft
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 10:01 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

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11281. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 15:15:27 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 11279 Message: 11281

Call me naive but there are probably some who really don't know. As for those who know but do it anyway, is there really any satisfaction about snagging DX with umpteen KW? I don't get it.

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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> Come come,......
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> US hams breaking the LAWS of the land ? Surely You jest !
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* tedroycraft <mailto:w2zk@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Tuesday, October 13, 2009 10:01 AM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M
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> Just wondering if people know there is a 200 W PEP power limit on
> 30 meters or if they are just flaunting it. Listening to K4M it's
> pretty clear that there are a lot of KW+ stations calling him.
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> 73, Ted, W2ZK
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11282. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 15:17:24 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11279 Message: 11282

It MUST just be good propagation!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 10/13/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2009, 10:11 AM

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11283. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 15:43:10 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11279 Message: 11283

Isn't the written test supposed to cover things like this?

73s John AA5JG

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11284. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 16:24:48 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 11279 Message: 11284

Ah, I forgot that everyone remembers everything that was ever on a test they took. Also, there are still a lot of us around who took the test before 30, 17, and 12 meters were allocated to the amateur service. Just maybe one or two people didn't know but know now.

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>> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
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11285. Re: 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 20:21:54 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11279 Message: 11285

Oh, I'll bet they DO know! They just don't care!

Recently, an acquaintance of mine grinningly stated that he used to run well over 2kW when he was active. He currently resides in a retirement community and has a flagpole antenna. If he dared run 2kW from there, the RFI would be staggering.

Art - N4PJ

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11286. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-13 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11286

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 13 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 286 Issued at 2200Z on 13 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels on day 1 (14 October). Activity is
expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels on days 2 - 3 (15
- 16 October) as an equatorward extension of the northern crown
coronal hole begins to influence the field.
III. Event Probabilities 14 Oct-16 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Oct 070
Predicted 14 Oct-16 Oct 070/070/072
90 Day Mean 13 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Oct 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 13 Oct 001/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 14 Oct-16 Oct 005/005-007/007-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 Oct-16 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11287. K4M strange happening after contact

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 05:32:59 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11287 Message: 11287

I was fortunate to work Midway on 30 and 20 tonight.

The contact on 20 was SSB. Not bragging, just saying this to also say ---'beware'---

After I worked him on 20 phone I thought I would relax with a cup of coffee on the porch and just sit back and listen to the pile up
for a little while.

Never heard this before tonight, but some jerk recorded my calling and was retransmitting my signals from earlier.

Luckily he didn't have propagation to K4M and was not heard, but a person could potentially get disqualified from the log with a
jerk doing illegal garbage like this.

I hope he just had a wild hair and doesn't do it anymore, but beware and listen for your call should you make contact with the
Island or any other DXpedition I suppose.

Not sure how one would protect themselves from such shenanigans.

Bob AD5VJ

11288. Re: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 12:50:13 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11287 Message: 11288

Bob,

this world gets stranger, every day ! hows that LOG periodic doing ?

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: AD5VJ Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2009 12:32 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

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11289. Re: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 13:35:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11287 Message: 11289

That happened to me some years ago, too. I believe it was that ZS op (Barry?) who was on ZL8 or ZL9 I was trying to work.

I guess some people have nothing better to do.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Oct 14, 2009 at 12:32 AM, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...> wrote:

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11290. Re: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 13:43:55 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11287 Message: 11290

At 10:35 AM 10/14/2009, you wrote:

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That was a "trick" used for many years on DX Nets by Net haters
to confuse and disrupt them. I've never heard it done on with a
DXPedition before. Sure is a mean spirited thing to do.

Like you say Zack, some people have nothing better to do. Oh
well, as I was told 25-30 years ago, Ham radio operators are a cross
section of the population just like any other group. There are the
super good, the good, the average, the poor and the down-right
mean. It was true then, and it is true now.

73, Paul VE1DX

11291. Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 14:56:41 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11291 Message: 11291

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11292. Re: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 15:03:00 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11287 Message: 11292

I've heard my callsign over the air a time or two. There was a guy in our area who was bored and would work the DX not only with his call but with any of his friends too. Some like it - I didn't and told him to quit doing it. I do have several CW contacts on 15 metres but never found out who was doing that. Wern't me as I've never made a CW contact on the air .... ..
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2009 6:43 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.421 / Virus Database: 270.14.13/2432 - Release Date: 10/13/09
06:35:00

11293. Re: [DX-IS] Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 15:12:50 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11291 Message: 11293

At 11:56 AM 10/14/2009, you wrote:
>I listened to the K4M operation a little on 20 CW yesterday and was
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It falls in somewhat the same category as KP1 and KP5,
John. Used to be active all the time when the US military had a base
there, but that has been gone for over a decade and the US Fish &
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operation in about 8-9 years. They had to go through a lot of
paperwork to get permission to even go for this short trip, and the
departure date of 19 October is cast in stone due to some migratory
bird pattern, I believe. That was the concern when they were stuck
in Honolulu . . . they had to leave on the 19th regardless of when
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As to the frenzy, DXers are Dxers. Few who can hear anything
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11294. Re: [DX-IS] Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 15:12:29 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 11291 Message: 11294

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73,
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11295. Re: [DX-IS] Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 15:15:25 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11291 Message: 11295

Hi Mike,

What is it like having a 30 meter beam? I have found that 30 is an excellent band for DXing, and given that most people probably don't have a beam on that band, you should have a leg up on most of them. Wish I had the space for one.

73s John AA5JG

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Rarity of Midway
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11296. Re: [DX-IS] Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 15:17:44 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11291 Message: 11296

Hi Paul,

I figured that and think pretty much the same way, although I do get into the CQ DX marathon each year which will have me chasing some fairly common countries just cause I need them each year. I was just surprised at the size of the pileup, it was larger than anyone other one I have heard recently, but I guess there are lots of new DXers who need KH4 since it has been 2001 or so when they were on last.

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11297. Re: Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 15:55:03 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11291 Message: 11297

I'm in the same boat. I worked KH4/NH6D back in 1981 on 20M CW. Never heard Midway since then, although I was absent from the air for a big chunk of time (1987 - 2004). That lone CW contact (fortunately confirmed) was all I had until last night.

Marsha and I both managed to work them last night on SSB. When we came back from the grocery store, I jokingly/seriously told her condx would open up on 17 - condx out to the Pacific, including Japan, often improve here after dark, sometimes *well* after dark! Couldn't hear a peep on 17 (except for the ubiquitous frequency cops).

There was noise galore on 20M (14200) but K4M would rise and fall out of the muck and I finally convinced myself I could hear him well enough to try. I think it took around 30 minutes. He would ID with "K4M up 5" but he was working 'em from 5 to 15 up - I snared him about 9 up.

I hollered at Marsha and she came in to give it a whirl. I grabbed a book and sat off to the side while she grabbed my rig and started tuning. About 20 minutes later, she chuckled at something, and kept calling. A couple of calls later, she got through. I heard "QSL the 59, you're also 59. Thanks Kevin."

I asked her how she knew the guy's name was Kevin. She related what she'd heard a couple of minutes before when she was laughing. She heard the op say "The call is Kilo Four Mike" - pause - "I'm on Midway Island." - another pause - "My name is Kevin."

di-di-di-dit-di-dit!

Now for some more (hopefully!) band fills.

Art - N4PJ

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11298. DX Distances and Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 16:16:28 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11298 Message: 11298

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Art - N4PJ

11299. Re: [DX-IS] DX Distances and Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 16:26:42 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11298 Message: 11299

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73s John AA5JG

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From: aburkefl <aburkefl@comcast.net>
Subject: [DX-IS] DX Distances and Propagation
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2009, 11:16 AM

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11300. Re: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 16:28:58 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11287 Message: 11300

I suggest you also let the DXCC desk know right away in order to thwart some of the effects.

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

-----Original Message-----
From: "AD5VJ Bob" <rtnmi@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Wed, 14 Oct 2009 00:32:59
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] K4M strange happening after contact

I was fortunate to work Midway on 30 and 20 tonight.

The contact on 20 was SSB. Not bragging, just saying this to also say ---'beware'---

After I worked him on 20 phone I thought I would relax with a cup of coffee on the porch and just sit back and listen to the pile up
for a little while.

Never heard this before tonight, but some jerk recorded my calling and was retransmitting my signals from earlier.

Luckily he didn't have propagation to K4M and was not heard, but a person could potentially get disqualified from the log with a
jerk doing illegal garbage like this.

I hope he just had a wild hair and doesn't do it anymore, but beware and listen for your call should you make contact with the
Island or any other DXpedition I suppose.

Not sure how one would protect themselves from such shenanigans.

Bob AD5VJ

11301. Re: [DX-IS] Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 19:30:16 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 11291 Message: 11301

John Geiger wrote:
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> Hi Mike,
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> What is it like having a 30 meter beam? I have found that 30 is an
> excellent band for DXing, and given that most people probably don't
> have a beam on that band, you should have a leg up on most of them.
> Wish I had the space for one.
>
> 73s John AA5JG
>

Hi John:

It's absolutely wonderful. I have had it up now for about 5 years. With only 100 watts, I rarely stand in line for more than 1-3 calls, even in a big pile-up. I think it took me two calls on K4M.

It's one that I designed & built, and a friend put up the tower for me. It has made it through two hurricanes here in East TX. I love 30 meters, since I don't have to deal with the usual collection of idiots on SSB, which I rarely work. I do some SSB on 6 meters, and very rarely on the other bands. On other than 6, I probably don't make more than 20 SSB contacts/year, except for the 160 meter phone contest. Go to my Call page on QRZ, or to my web site for a picture.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11302. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 22:21:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11302

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 287 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on days 1 and 2 (15 - 16
October) as an equatorward extension of the northern crown coronal
holes begins to influence the field. Activity is expected be mostly
quiet by day 3 (17 October).
III. Event Probabilities 15 Oct-17 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 Oct 071
Predicted 15 Oct-17 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 14 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 13 Oct 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 14 Oct 001/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 15 Oct-17 Oct 007/007-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 15 Oct-17 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11303. Re: DX Distances and Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 23:35:34 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11298 Message: 11303

I guess when I think of Hawaii, I think of Honolulu, Diamond Head, Waikiki beach, etc.

Is it Kure that is technically the very last island in the Hawaiian chain?

Art - N4PJ

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11304. Re: [DX-IS] Re: DX Distances and Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-14 23:50:06 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11298 Message: 11304

Yes, Kure is the last island in the Hawaiian Islands, and is part of Honolulu County. From a geographic standpoint Midway Island is also part of the Hawaiian chain, but not from a political standpoint.

73s John AA5JG

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From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: DX Distances and Propagation
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2009, 6:35 PM

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11305. Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 02:12:19 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11305 Message: 11305

How are other stations hearing K4M? They have not been loud at all at my QTH, at least when I am listening-they are either at the noise level or completely unreadable. Are others finding them fairly weak as well? I know my antennas aren't much, but I heard TX5SPA with no problem and worked 3D2KJ easily on 30 meters last night.

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11306. Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 02:17:09 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11305 Message: 11306

John,

so far I have managed to work them on 15 & 17..... However they haven't even so much as MOVED my S.. meter. I sure hope tomorrow brings a better day.

Joey :-)
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com ; okdxa@...
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2009 9:12 PM
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11307. Re: [DX-IS] Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 02:45:19 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11305 Message: 11307

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11308. RE: [DX-IS] Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 02:54:51 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11305 Message: 11308

K4M was a solid 559 here on 80m CW this morning, peaking maybe 579 around my sunrise. Never-the-less, I came away empty-handed...

73,

Dave, AA6YQ (near Boston, low-band RX = DXE 4-square, 80m TX: = .25 wave vertical with 32 radials)

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2009 10:45 PM
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.339 / Virus Database: 270.14.11/2430 - Release Date: 10/14/09 06:33:00

11309. Re: [DX-IS] Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 04:55:15 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11305 Message: 11309

I heard K4M 120 mins past my sun rise on 80 and 40

I have managed to work them on 5 bands without any probs usually calling a couple of times to get them

80m was loud but 40m was blowing the socks off the meter

15/17/30/40/80 all in the log with cw and or cw/ssb on bands

I have no interest in 20m

waiting on 160 and I should be done

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11310. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Rarity of Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 05:07:57 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11291 Message: 11310

Great story Art!

I have a similar experience to you with KH4. I didn't get a QSL from the guy I worked there (WH6O/KH4 back in 84) and he later lost his logs in Hurricane Andrew....sad story all round...

I managed to get K4M on 20m SSB first call by chance, no skill involved but the amp was on and no one else was calling...

Worked them also on 15/20CW, so great operation so far.

They have had a good presence on 30/40/80 so far, I hope this continues and the piles subside...

Good luck to all,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Wednesday, 14 October 2009 11:55 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Rarity of Midway

I'm in the same boat. I worked KH4/NH6D back in 1981 on 20M CW. Never heard Midway since then, although I was absent from the air for a big chunk of time (1987 - 2004). That lone CW contact (fortunately confirmed) was all I had until last night.

Marsha and I both managed to work them last night on SSB. When we came back from the grocery store, I jokingly/seriously told her condx would open up on 17 - condx out to the Pacific, including Japan, often improve here after dark, sometimes *well* after dark! Couldn't hear a peep on 17 (except for the ubiquitous frequency cops).

There was noise galore on 20M (14200) but K4M would rise and fall out of the muck and I finally convinced myself I could hear him well enough to try. I think it took around 30 minutes. He would ID with "K4M up 5" but he was working 'em from 5 to 15 up - I snared him about 9 up.

I hollered at Marsha and she came in to give it a whirl. I grabbed a book and sat off to the side while she grabbed my rig and started tuning. About 20 minutes later, she chuckled at something, and kept calling. A couple of calls later, she got through. I heard "QSL the 59, you're also 59. Thanks Kevin."

I asked her how she knew the guy's name was Kevin. She related what she'd heard a couple of minutes before when she was laughing. She heard

the op say "The call is Kilo Four Mike" - pause - "I'm on Midway
Island." - another pause - "My name is Kevin."

di-di-di-dit-di-dit!

Now for some more (hopefully!) band fills.

Art - N4PJ

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> > I listened to the K4M operation a little on 20 CW yesterday and was
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> > entitity? Or is it just people there for the thrill of the chase or
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> > new point for the CQ magazine DX marathon? Glad I have it confirmed
on
> > 20 and 10 CW already.
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> > 73s John AA5JG
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> John, my Midway confirmation is so old that LOTW shows NO band entity,

> so I am looking to pick up band entities from this operation. So far
> have 30(2 elements at 70 feet), and 20, & 15 worked with my ancient
old
> Cushcraft A3(over 20 years old) and my mighty 400 watts on 20 & 15.
Not
> a big gun here, but always remember: Age & treachery will overcome
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11311. Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 11:14:25 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11305 Message: 11311

This seems to be one of those DXpeditions where the "black hole" you guys always talk about is actually getting better signals than we are here in the SE. I've heard them each morning on 30, 40 and 80, but came away empty-handed. When I see reports of them on 17 and 15 from numerous locations, we can hear nothing but whispers or nothing but noise.

Art - N4PJ

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11312. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 12:20:25 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11305 Message: 11312

Yep, the 'black hole' is a relative concept. It's wherever you are that you can't hear the DX ;)

Nelson, KU0A

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 6:14 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

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11313. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 12:27:21 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11305 Message: 11313

Here in the BLACK HOLE of Central Illinois, K4M has never been above S-4 on 20 (with noise at S-3). Yesterday at 1758 UTC I did work them but they had to call me twice as I missed them the 1st time due to noise and fade. 40M SSB hasn't been good enough to try although I have spent several hours early this morning trying on 40 CW with no luck.

73,

Gary AB9M

From: aburkefl
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 6:14 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

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11314. Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 12:35:42 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11305 Message: 11314

John

I'm about 30 miles west of Dave (AA6YQ) in MA. No problem hearing them on 17-80. Missed them on 80ssb yesterday morning but that was the pileup. I should have them on all the other bands. Listening to them on 40ssb right now (59)

I had the same problem you are having with 3D20CR on the high bands. Horrible reception in spite of the forecasted propagation...must have something to do with the number of bounces since both groups have/had plenty of talent and gear.

Bob KB1JZU

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11315. Virus

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 13:04:54 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11315 Message: 11315

Interesting but the banner ad on the top of this Yahoo page is being blocked by my AVG virus protection with the following message....

Danger: AVG Search-Shield has detected active threats on this page and has blocked access for your protection.

If this is true you would think that Yahoo would be a bit more careful in who it allowed to post ads. Haven't gone any deeper since I'd have to override AVG to see it...

Bob KB1JZU

11316. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 13:29:36 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11305 Message: 11316

Finally got them on 40 CW this morning after 45 minutes of calling. They hit S7 at times, by far the best I have heard them. Signals from them have been non-existant on 17m and 20m so far.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 10/15/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, October 15, 2009, 6:14 AM

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11317. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 13:30:49 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11305 Message: 11317

I never heard 3D20CR much at all either, other than on 30m one morning. Glad I didn't need it for a new one.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 10/15/09, Robert <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

From: Robert <kb1jzu@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, October 15, 2009, 7:35 AM

John

I'm about 30 miles west of Dave (AA6YQ) in MA. No problem hearing them on 17-80. Missed them on 80ssb yesterday morning but that was the pileup. I should have them on all the other bands. Listening to them on 40ssb right now (59)

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11318. Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 13:36:12 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11305 Message: 11318

I worked 3D20CR on 17 meters and he had a BIG signal. funny how radio prop works,..... One never knows whats coming next.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 8:30 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

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11319. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 13:59:35 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11305 Message: 11319

I've heard them on 15, 17 and 20 only. Heard a pile-up calling overnight on 40 but no joy, didn't try 80 and have not heard a peep on 30. I know a couple of guys on the mainland of Nova Scotia have worked them but no joy here on NA-010.

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 8:14 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

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Yahoo! Groups Links

11320. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 14:03:25 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11305 Message: 11320

Decent to big signals on 40 and 80 this morning. The 40 pileup was immense - from 7.006 to as high as 7.030 at times with AA4NN at the helm. They focused on EU until at least 0700 or so then switched to NA. 0800-0930 was basically all JAs then the mayhem from 0930 until now. I still hear them Q5 on 40 but, the west coasters rule the pile right now.

I got them this morning (very early) on 80 after only about 2 minutes of trying. Good sig and the pileup was not large.

I think 40 is the money band for most the world so far and everybody was in the chase.

73 Rich NN3W

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 9:59 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

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11321. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 14:14:45 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11305 Message: 11321

Thanks for the info, Rich.

At 1400 I see lots of spots but nada heard here. I'll try the afternoon/evening path on the higher bands and get up early tomorrow morning for 40 and 80. However, I'm not going to lose and sleep because I have it from the KM6 days as well as some KH4s, hi. I'd like some band fills though.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 11:03 AM
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

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11322. Re: [DX-IS] Virus

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 14:51:42 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11315 Message: 11322

I get a virus warning now whenever I go to www.hamdata.com. I don't know what that's all about. QRZ.com seems safer for callsign lookups now but hamdata has some features I like.

73, Zack W9SZ

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11323. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 15:07:10 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11305 Message: 11323

They had a great signal here on 40 and 80 CW last night. But they were only working EU on 40 and I spent two hours calling on 80 with no QSO.
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73, Zack W9SZ

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> my antennas aren't much, but I heard TX5SPA with no problem and worked 3D2KJ
> easily on 30 meters last night.
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> > 73s John AA5JG
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11324. Re: [DX-IS] Virus

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 16:19:38 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11315 Message: 11324

What Yahoo page are you referring to?
& to Zakkie: www.hamdata.com opened right up - no problems, bro.
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Robert" <kb1jzu@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 6:04 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Virus

> Interesting but the banner ad on the top of this Yahoo page is being
> blocked by my AVG virus protection with the following message....
>
> Danger: AVG Search-Shield has detected active threats on this page and has
> blocked access for your protection.
>
> If this is true you would think that Yahoo would be a bit more careful in
> who it allowed to post ads. Haven't gone any deeper since I'd have to
> override AVG to see it...
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> Bob KB1JZU
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.421 / Virus Database: 270.14.16/2435 - Release Date: 10/14/09
06:33:00

11325. Re: [DX-IS] Virus

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 16:50:31 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11315 Message: 11325

Hmm ... I'm using Avira Antivirus and it opens the hamdata site OK but it gives me a mesage

"http://www.hamdata.com/favicon.ico contains suspicious code HEUR/HTML.Malware"

Maybe it's only suspicious and not anything to be worried about.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Oct 15, 2009 at 11:19 AM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>>
> Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 6:04 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Virus
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> > blocked by my AVG virus protection with the following message....
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> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 8.5.421 / Virus Database: 270.14.16/2435 - Release Date: 10/14/09
> 06:33:00
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11326. Re: Virus

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 17:00:55 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11315 Message: 11326

Rene

The Home page and when you read a post (but not messages)
It sound like it is the hamdata ad from the other posts.

If you have opened it I sincerely hope you are loaded with Malware, antivirus, & spyware software. The last time I was hit with a virus that got through my protection (first in 40years) it took 2 months and required rebuilding the entire system with Microsoft's help.

I now prefer scanning webpages on my iTouch!

Bob KB1JZU

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> Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 6:04 AM
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> 06:33:00
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11327. Speaking of Apple's iTouch...

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 17:16:59 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11327 Message: 11327

While I am on the subject I should mention the following, however, I fully know that I do so with the expectation that I will enrage a few folks out there who are not supporters of packet networks!

I recently purchased one of the new Apple's iTouch Ipods (32G).
N7NC has a DX Packet cluster application for that product which is great. In addition there are a number of other applications I use like a maidenhead locator and converter, a CW practice program, and the CIA Data which resides locally. All on my in home wireless or public wireless...I am to cheap to pay AT&T for 3G.

Add this to music, movies, news, games, etc.

HamDXCluster works with AR-Cluster nodes right now, but Tom expects to add the other major protocols in the future.

So what does it do for me....
Could get 3D20CR on 15,17,or 20 during the day so at 3am I had the iTouch wake me up, two touches and I had all the recent spots, found they were working NA on phone, when down to the shack, logged them on the second call, and went back to bed. Got to love it.

73 Bob KB1JZU

PS Working on being able to remote the shack to this device HI

11328. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11328

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 15 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 288 Issued at 2200Z on 15 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 14/2100Z
to 15/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 14/2100Z to 15/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. At approximately 15/0500Z, ACE
satellite measurements observed increases in temperature, density
and velocity, all indicative of a CIR in advance of a weak coronal
hole wind stream. Wind speeds increased from a low of about 300
km/s to near 430 km/s, while the Bz component of the IMF indicated a
weak southward trend of near -5 nT.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on day 1 (16 October) as
the equatorward extension of the northern crown coronal hole
continues to influence the field. Activity is expected to be mostly
quiet on days 2 and 3 (17 - 18 October) as coronal hole effects
wane.
III. Event Probabilities 16 Oct-18 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 15 Oct 070
Predicted 16 Oct-18 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 15 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 14 Oct 000/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 15 Oct 005/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 16 Oct-18 Oct 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 16 Oct-18 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11329. K4M on RTTY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 23:48:57 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11329 Message: 11329

I couldn't print K4M on 30 meters this morning well enough to call. The news from Midway has been sparse to say the least. Does anybody have a clue if and when K4M might come up on 17 or 20 meter RTTY for NA? I can't spend my entire life sitting in the shack waiting.

Nelson, KU0A

11330. Re: [DX-IS] K4M on RTTY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-15 23:58:47 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11329 Message: 11330

At 08:48 PM 10/15/2009, you wrote:
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>and when K4M might come up on 17 or 20 meter RTTY for NA? I can't spend my
>entire life sitting in the shack waiting.
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>Nelson, KU0A

Well, unless you know something that we do not, Nelson, you'd
only have to wait in the shack 4 more days as they have to QRT on 19
October. Odds are you will live longer than that. :-)

Seriously, I don't think anyone knows but the operators
themselves when and where they will show on RTTY. Given the size of
the CW and SSB pileups that are still ongoing, I would think they
will be concentrating on them more than RTTY/ That is just a
guess. Probably the only place to look for a hint is their web site.

73, Paul VE1DX

11331. RE: [DX-IS] K4M on RTTY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 00:09:51 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11329 Message: 11331

The web site hasn't been updated except for the log since they first got there, so that's no help. I guess I'll have to continue the vigil for another four days. RTTY is the last band/mode I have a chance to work them on given the fact that 10 and 12 are dead. The good news is that I already have them on 10 and 12.

Nelson, KU0A

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 6:59 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M on RTTY

At 08:48 PM 10/15/2009, you wrote:
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73, Paul VE1DX

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.421 / Virus Database: 270.14.20/2439 - Release Date: 10/15/09 20:39:00

11332. RE: [DX-IS] K4M on RTTY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 01:15:15 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11329 Message: 11332

At 09:09 PM 10/15/2009, you wrote:

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>got there, so that's no help. I guess I'll have to continue the
>vigil for another four days. RTTY is the last band/mode I have a
>chance to work them on given the fact that 10 and 12 are dead. The
>good news is that I already have them on 10 and 12.
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Wish I could say that. I needed them everywhere except 20CW and 15CW going into this one, and still need them on the low bands. They were S5-S6 here for over an hour this morning on 160/80/40, but the pileups on those bands were huge. 160 was particularly frustrating because they were really loud and should have been workable. Problem was the stations between me and them literally had the needle pinned all the time from 1.829 to 1.835 MHz! Not a chance of finding a hole or tail-ending the "last guy."

I should have had them on 12/10 from previous operations but I didn't, and those bands are now virtually impossible with no sunspots.

On a positive note, I just checked the logs and I see that I made it on 30M RTTY this AM. I wasn't 100% sure, and thus I said nothing a couple of hours ago because the logs were not up to date. I got a clean print of VE1DX 599, but didn't see the confirmation when I sent my report because someone tuned on 10.140 MHz just at the right (or wrong) time. Thankfully it was a good contact.

So, I'm off to the low bands in the morning. Would be happy to just get 80/40, but like all DXers, I'll take everything I can. 160 would be the icing on the cake.

73, Paul VE1DX

11333. RE: [DX-IS] K4M on RTTY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 01:20:10 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11329 Message: 11333

I did hear TX5SPA the other day on 10 CW so KH4 is possible. Luckily I don't need them on 10 or 20m, but RTTY would sure be nice. THey were putting a decent signal into OK today on 17m but not really moving the meter. No luck there yet, but getting them on 40CW today will be enough if that is all I get. Sure would like 80m though

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 10/15/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] K4M on RTTY
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Thursday, October 15, 2009, 8:15 PM

At 09:09 PM 10/15/2009, you wrote:

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11334. Re: K4M on RTTY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 01:53:20 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11329 Message: 11334

Paul

I made it on 30M RTTY also this morning. Just saw the new log and thankfully I did work the Midway group (rather than someone in between)...Ialso had clean print down in MA.

Congrats!

Bob KB1JZU

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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11335. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M on RTTY

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 02:07:19 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11329 Message: 11335

At 10:53 PM 10/15/2009, you wrote:
>Paul
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>thankfully I did work the Midway group (rather than someone in
>between)...Ialso had clean print down in MA.
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>Congrats!
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>Bob KB1JZU

Congrats as well, Bob. RTTY in this environment is hard. It gets messy with a rare one like this, and when they are not super loud. It was a nail-biter until I saw the logs. Hopefully some of the other list members made it, or will do so in the next few days.

Looking at their published log stats, it looks like they have 400+ QSOs on 30M RTTY and 200+ QSOs on 17M RTTY. I missed the spots for 17M RTTY and thought they were just on 10.1 MHz with that mode. Obviously they were QRV on two bands, and maybe they will show on 20 tomorrow. That band will be a zoo with all the 20M monobanders and stacks pumping kilowatts of teletype at them!

Nelson - KU0A - there apparently is hope for another shot at them, I would guess. 4 days left with multiple stations should translate to at least one or two good runs of RTTY somewhere. Good luck!

73, Paul VE1DX

11336. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 05:25:34 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11305 Message: 11336

Good on ya John!

It has been very difficult for me to hear them on 40m so far, the RADAR is wiping them out on CW and I guess they must have some directional antenna for 40 SSB as I haven't yet heard them once.

Let's hope they will beam our way over the next few nights.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Thursday, 15 October 2009 9:30 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength

Finally got them on 40 CW this morning after 45 minutes of calling. They hit S7 at times, by far the best I have heard them. Signals from them have been non-existant on 17m and 20m so far.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 10/15/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Midway signal strength
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, October 15, 2009, 6:14 AM

This seems to be one of those DXpeditions where the "black hole" you guys always talk about is actually getting better signals than we are here in the SE. I've heard them each morning on 30, 40 and 80, but came away empty-handed. When I see reports of them on 17 and 15 from numerous locations, we can hear nothing but whispers or nothing but noise.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> , Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...> wrote:
>
> I heard K4M 120 mins past my sun rise on 80 and 40
>
> I have managed to work them on 5 bands without any probs usually calling a couple of times to get them
>
> 80m was loud but 40m was blowing the socks off the meter

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> 15/17/30/40/ 80 all in the log with cw and or cw/ssb on
bands
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> I have no interest in 20m
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> waiting on 160 and I should be done
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>
> Michael W. Elliott
> "THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE" -
> RETIREMENT - LEISURE, REST and ONLY ELECTRONIC MAIL PAYMENTS
> Servant to Bridgett, Collin and all my Creditors
> St. Louis County Missouri
>
> --- On Wed, 10/14/09, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> From: John Geiger <aa5jg@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Midway signal strength
> To: dx-is@yahoogroups. com
<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=dx-is%40yahoogroups.com> ,
okdxa@...
> Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2009, 9:12 PM
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> How are other stations hearing K4M? They have not been loud at
all at my QTH, at least when I am listening-they are either at the noise
level or completely unreadable. Are others finding them fairly weak as
well? I know my antennas aren't much, but I heard TX5SPA with no problem
and worked 3D2KJ easily on 30 meters last night.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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11337. K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 14:43:23 UTC
From: Zoli Pitman HA1AG
Topic: 11337 Message: 11337

Hello,

I'm convinced EU DXers have the highest proportion of idiots of all hobbygroups. This recording made on K4M freq is the proof:

www.hg6n.hu/ha1ag/misc/k4m_eu_zoo.mp3

Why should anybody arrange a DXpedition for these people? I would fully understand the DX ops to keep working JA and NA and let EU whine - forever.

73

zoli ha1ag

ps: this was made at 1430 GMT with a 2 ele HB9CV on 730m ASL.

11338. Re: [DX-IS] K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 16:16:13 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 11337 Message: 11338

Don't bother coming to NA if you think things are better here. Your recording sounds like K4M on 40M as received in NJ this morning at 1300Z. Can't blame EU for that.

73, Ted, W2ZK

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> zoli ha1ag
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>

11339. [425ENG] 425 DX News #963 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 17:54:19 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11339 Message: 11339

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 18:07:38 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11337 Message: 11340

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Date: 2009-10-16 18:14:05 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11337 Message: 11341

It is OK, Zoli. For some reason the audio has just started to work.

I am not at all surprised by what I hear -- but I hear the same thing here also.

I absolutely agree with you. People are getting crazier!

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Topic: 11342 Message: 11342

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3A - Gianni, I1UWF will be active as 3A/I1UWF from Monaco on 24 October for the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He plans to operate mainly on 20 metres, with some activity on 15 and 10 metres, running 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via home call. [TNX I1UWF]
4X - Yoshi, JE2EHP will be active as 4X/K1HP from Israel between 29 October and 5 November. He will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via JE2EHP, bureau preferred. [TNX JE2EHP]
5Z - Enrico/5Z4ES, Frank/IK8TEO, Tony/IK8UHA and Antonio/IK8VRH will be active as 5Z0H from Kenya between 10 and 21 February 2010, including operations from Wasini Island (AF-067) and Lamu Island (AF-040). They plan to have two stations active on 160-10 metres CW, SSb and RTTY. QSL via IK8VRH (direct, bureau and LoTW). The website for the operation is at http://www.ddxc.it [TNX IK8VRH]
D6 - Sam Serge, F6AML will be active as D68F from the Comoro Islands (AF-007) on 13-23 November. He will operate CW (1828, 3520, 7020, 10115, 14020, 18071, 21020, 24951 and 28020 kHz) and SSB (3775, 7075, 14265, 18140, 21265, 24960 and 28480 kHz), with a focus on the low bands. QSL via F6AML, direct or bureau. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]
DU - Alex, DV1UBY will be active as 4D1N during the CW WW DX SSB and CW Contests. He will be also looking for DX contacts on 15, 20 and 40m with 10 watts until the end of the year. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DV1UBY]
DU - Manfred,DL4IAS will be active as DV7/DL4IAS from Bantayan Island (OC-129) from 20 October to 5 November. He plans to operate PSK, SSB and CW on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX Newsletter]
EL - Chris de Beer, ZS6RI is working on a project in Liberia, and will hopefully be QRV in late October-early November. He will be working six weeks in Liberia, and then three weeks at home in South Africa, for the forseeable future. He plans to operate CW QRP with vertical and wire antennas; if there seems to be activity he might upgrade the antennas and the radio, and operate also SSB

and maybe digital modes. [TNX ZS6RI]
FK - Jean-Louis, F5NHJ will be active as VR2/F5NHJ from Cheung Chau (AS-006), Hong Kong on 21-23 October and as FK/F5NHJ from New Caledonia, either Grande Terre (OC-032) and Lifou or Mare (OC-033), from 26 October to 11 November. He plans to focus on 30 metres digital modes. QSL via F5NHJ. [TNX F5NQL]
G - Jeff, G4SOF will be running GB2BD for Bideford Devon Scouts for this year's Jamboree On The Air (17-18 October). Information on the 52nd JOTA can be found at http://www.scout.org/. [TNX G4SOF]
G - Mick, G3LIK reports he will be active as GB4RN (GB4 Royal Navy) on 1-28 November, which will include the RNARS CW Activity Contest (rules at http://www.rnars.org.uk/RNARS_Contest_2009.htm) on 21-22 November.
GI - Chris, M0DOL and Merv, MI0TMW will be active as GN4KPT/p and EI/GN4KPT/p from a number of castles in Northern Ireland and Eire between 25 October and 4 November. QSL via M0DOL. [TNX MI0TMW]
GM - Oscar Luis/EA1DR, George/EC2ADN, Christian/EA3NT, Col/MM0NDX and Bjorn/SM0MDG are planning an operation to be held from rare IOTA group EU-118 (Flannan Isles) in June 2010. Further information is expected in due course. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
I - Look for IU1CL to be aired from Camogli Lighthouse (WAIL LI-015, ARLHS ITA-189) on 24-25 October. QSL via IZ1MLV, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ1MLV]
KH0 - AA6CM/KH0 (operator JA6CM), KH0UV (operator JR6DRH), KK6WW/KH0 (operator JA6EGL) and WH0AA (operator JA6GLD) will be active from Saipan on 22-26 October. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or through the JARL bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
KH0 - Yoshi, JK2VOC will be active as KH0/JK2VOC from the Northern Marianas (OC-086) on 23-26 October, including and entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Before the contest he will operate on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
PA - Special callsign PB65BP will be in use on all bands SSB and digital modes until 11 November to commemorate the 65th anniversary of the liberation of Breda by the Polish 1st Armoured Division (29 October 1944). QSL via PA1WLB. [TNX K1XN]
PY - Jose/PY6HD, Beto/PY6RT and Nilzo/PY6AWU will be active as ZZ6Z from the Abrolhos Archipelago (SA-019) from 29 October to 2 November (dates may vary depending on Brazilian Navy schedules). Expect them to operate SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to PY6HD. [TNX PY6HD]
PZ - Mike, AJ9C will be active as PZ5M from Suriname on 22-29 October. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres, and to take part in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
SV5 - Martin, ON4PO will be active as J45PO from the SX5P contest station on Rhodes Island (EU-001) on 21-29 October, before and after the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
V2 - Tom, K7ZZ will be active as V25Z from Antigua (NA-100) on 19-28 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Outside the SSB event the will concentrate on CW. QSL direct to home call.

He will upload his log to LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
V3 - Pete, K8PT will be QRV as V31PT from Ambergris Cay (NA-073) from 24 November to 6 December. This will be a holiday style operation on 40-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via K8PT. [TNX K8PT]
V6 - JA7HMZ (V63DX) and JA7GYP will be active with a focus on the low bands from Pohnpei(OC-010), Micronesia on 25-31 October. QSL via home call. A part time participation in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as V6B is being considered. [TNX NG3K]
VE - The Vancouver Olympics Amateur Radio Group (VOARG) is promoting and coordinating the operation of a series of special event callsigns to commemorate the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games to be held in February and March next year. Three special callsigns will be activated by amateur radio operators and groups resident in British Columbia as follows: VG7V (1 October-30 November 2009), VG7W (1 December 2009-31 January 2010), VG7G (1 February-31 March 2010). A web site with additional details is under construction. QSL direct (VOARG, 9362-206A St., Langley, BC V1M 2W6, Canada) or bureau. All of the QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com]
VE - Yuri, VE3DZ plans to operate as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, Quebec (Zone 2) on 21-26 October, including an entry in the CW WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via VE3DZ. [TNX NG3K]
VK9X - Rene/DL2JRM, Tom/DL2RMC, Sid/DM2AYO and Harry/DM5TI will be active as VK9XX from Christmas Island (OC-002) from 21 November to 5 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as VK9XW. They plan to have two stations up and running 24/7 on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands and CW. QSL both callsigns via DL1RTL, direct or bureau. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information at http://www.dl2rmc.com/tom/VK9X2009/
VK9X - Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE will be active from Christmas Island (OC-002) on 20-27 February 2010. They will both use the single callsign of VK9X/G6AY, and they will operate CW only on 80-10 metres (no activity on 160 metres). Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau (requests for bureau cards can be submitted by using the relevant form on Phil's website). Please visit www.g3swh.org.uk/christmas-island.html for further information. [TNX G3SWH]
VP2M - George/K2DM (VP2MDG), Peter/K3ZM (VP2MZM), Glen/W4GKA (VP2MKA) and Jim/AD4J (VP2MIJ) will be active from Montserrat (NA-103) on 20-28 October, including a Multi-Single entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as VP2MDG. Outside the contest look for VP2MDG on 6m SSB and for VP2MZM on 160m CW. QSL via home calls. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
VP2V - Steve, KN5H and Art, N3DXX will be active from Tortola, British Virgin Islands on 21-28 October. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Single entry, and will operate CW, RTTY and on 30, 17 and 12 metres before the contest. QSL direct to KN5H. [TNX KN5H]
VP5 - Look for VP5/WA2VYA, VP5/W2WAS and VP5/N2VW to be active from Providenciales (NA-002), Turks and Caicos Islands on 20-27

October. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as
VP5T. [TNX The Daily DX]
XU - Peter, XU7ACY and Wim, XU7TZG will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB
Contest as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (Bamboo Island, AS-133), with
some CW activity before the contest. QSL via ON7PP (direct only).
[TNX NG3K]
YN - Mike, K9NW will be active from Nicaragua on 22-27 October,
including a SOAB entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Callsigns will
be HT2N (QSL via K9NW for this year's event only) during the
contest and YN2NW (QSL via K9NW) before and after the contest. [TNX
K9NW]
YV - The Grupo DX Caracas (http://gdxc.org/) will celebrate their 20th
anniversary by operating as YW5F From Farallon Centinela (SA-058)
on 6-9 November. They will be active on on 80-2 metres SSB, CW, FM
and digital modes. QSL via DM4TI. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
Z3 - IT9SSI, IT9YVO, IZ5MOQ, IZ8CCW, IZ8CGS, IZ8IYX and IZ8JAI, along
with Z36W and Z35X, will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest
as Z37M. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the
bureau. Direct cards for this operation only should be sent to
IQ8MD (Mediterraneo DX Club, Ufficio Cosenza Veneto, Casella
Postale 360, 87100 Cosenza - CS, Italy). [TNX IZ8CCW]

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available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and
pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba @ iz3eba.it)

DXCC NEWS ---> The recent FT5GA operation from Glorioso has been approved
for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

NWRW 2009 ---> The National Wildlife Refuge Week (11-18 October)combines
Amateur Radio communication capabilities with enjoyment of the outdoors to
help others learn about the National Wildlife Refuge System. Amateur radio
stations (including K4M from Midway) are operating from a number of
wildlife refuges this week under guidelines established in cooperation with
the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Information on this special event,
including details on the relevant certificate, can be found at
http://www.nwrweek-radio.info [TNX K4RT]

QSL HR9/WQ7R ---> Effective 14 October, the new QSL manager for HR9/WQ7R is
Erik, K5WW (no longer via AI4U). [TNX K5WW]

QSL ZC4VJ ---> Cards received at the PO Box address in Cyprus will continue
to be answered, but the new QSL route is via M0URX (QSLling details can be
found at http://www.m0urx.com). LoTW logs will continue to be uploaded by
Andy, ZC4VJ. [TNX ZC4VJ]

QSL VIA XQ1IDM ---> The following logs for Atacama Desert DX Group's IOTA activities (http://www.addxg.cl/) are still open: 3G1M (SA-069, October 2005), 3G1P (SA-085, March 2003), 3G2D (SA-086, November 2003), XR2G (SA-086, September 2004). QSL requests can b sent to XQ1IDM (Nicolas Herrera G., P.O. Box 345, Antofagasta, Chile). [TNX XQ1IDM]

+ SILENT KEYS + "Mr Svalbard", Mathias Bjerrang (JW5NM) died after a tragic accident on 11 October. He was 67.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3DA0EL, 3DA0MH, 3DA0MM, 3DA0TB, 3DA0VA, 5V7PM, 6I7CQ, 6J2T, 7P8MM, 7P8OK, 7P8YI, 7X4AN, 9A7A, A45WD, A61Q, A73A, C21TI, C31PP, CC0Y, DU9/DL5SDF (OC-130), EA9/KH0AM, EA9IB, FJ/VE3EY, FW8AA, HK3CQ, JT1CO, K5D, KH7XS, KL1V, KL7J, LY20W, OH0R, OY2J, OY3AA, PX6T, PY0FF, S92LX, SG3U (EU-084), T6AD, TC098A (AS-098), TI2KI, TM0M (EU-065), TO8YY, TT8FC, TU5JM, TY5ZR, V51AS, V7XX, VC1W (NA-154), VE8EV, VK9GMW, VP2ETN, VQ9LA, XF4T, YI1AK, YL2BJ, YS1MAE, YT5W, Z29KM, ZK2V.

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Date: 2009-10-16 18:50:40 UTC
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Topic: 11337 Message: 11343

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Date: 2009-10-16 19:52:19 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11337 Message: 11344

same prob here
no audio

Michael W. Elliott
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From: Ted Melinosky <k1bv@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M zoo heard fm EU
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, October 16, 2009, 1:50 PM

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11345. RE: [DX-IS] K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 20:12:24 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11337 Message: 11345

After trying several times, guys, I got mine to work. Hope you'll have the
same luck.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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11346. Re: K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 20:59:34 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11337 Message: 11346

A well-known DXer and I exchanged e-mails recently, discussing the craziness we hear on the bands. The most interesting facet of what's going on is that *everyone* seems to be doing it!

Several times I've tuned the pile, looking for a "clear" spot to scream my lungs out (or blast the airwaves with CW!). It doesn't seem to matter who's calling or who's being called. The DX station says "who's the Bravo Uniform?" If you're lucky enough to hear anyone else in the pile, they are typically calling without a single letter in their call corresponding to what he was looking for. The most perplexing part? Many of those you hear calling are what one might consider experienced, knowledgeable DXers who should know better.

I guess the craziness is contagious! Perhaps it's only solarfluxitis or lackasunspotsitis.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>
> It is OK, Zoli. For some reason the audio has just started to work.
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> I am not at all surprised by what I hear -- but I hear the same thing here
> also.
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> I absolutely agree with you. People are getting crazier!
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11347. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 21:36:00 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11337 Message: 11347

Could also be that it works...

Ever hear when you are looking for the station worked the fellows
calling over the top were the next stations to be called? I have
and when that is happening it surely only encourages more of it. Fault
can be at either end...

73,
Bob
K2TK

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11348. VE1DX & TX5SPM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 21:51:17 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 11329 Message: 11348

Hi Paul:

Good sigs on 17M in East TX this afternoon. Hrd u work the TX5SMP guys.
I finally got them a few minutes after you.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11349. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11349

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 289 Issued at 2200Z on 16 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 15/2100Z
to 16/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk remained spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 15/2100Z to 16/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet. A period of sustained
southward Bz (-3 to -4 nT) from 15/2100Z to 16/0600Z contributed to
an isolated unsettled period at 16/0600Z observed at middle
latitudes. Wind velocities steadily decreased through the period
from a high of near 440 km/s to a low of about 370 km/s.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at mostly quiet levels for the next three days (17 -
19 October).
III. Event Probabilities 17 Oct-19 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 16 Oct 070
Predicted 17 Oct-19 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 16 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 15 Oct 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 16 Oct 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 17 Oct-19 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 Oct-19 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11350. WA1ECA???????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 20:04:06 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11350 Message: 11350

Does anyone in New England know WA1ECA and how I might be able to get in touch with him by e-mail? I have a question about the 1994 operation of TL8NG.

You can e-mail me directly, if you can assist.

73

Al, VE1AL

11351. ARLP042 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-16 22:48:41 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6602 Message: 11351

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ARLP042 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 42 ARLP042
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA October 16, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP042 Propagation de K7RA

No sunspots appeared this week, although there were hopeful signs. Spaceweather.com reported on October 11 that a new sunspot was ''struggling to emerge'', but it faded quickly, and the sun has been blank since then.

We got a nice response from Dr. Joseph B. Gurman, Project Scientist on the NASA Solar Terrestrial Relations Observatory, or STEREO (see http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/) regarding observing sunspots on the far side of the sun.

''Those bright spots are indicators of magnetic activity, which may or may not be associated with sunspot groups. Joe wrote, ''The bright areas you see, called 'plage' (pronounced 'plahj') in the solar physics business (thanks to some solar astronomer of yore who thought they looked like white-sand beaches, 'plage' being French for beach), represent areas higher in the solar atmosphere than the visible surface of the Sun where (1) magnetic fields are stronger than in their surroundings, and (2) material has been heated to higher temperatures than in their surroundings''.

''The two appear to go together, somewhat paradoxically when one considers that only a few hundred km lower in the atmosphere, sunspots are cooler than the surrounding photosphere. Plage is a feature of both active regions with sunspots (''sunspot regions'') and active regions without visible spots. Indeed, in the coronal extreme ultraviolet (EUV) lines (Fe IX, X; Fe XII; Fe XV) in which the STEREO images are obtained, we call anything of a certain size and that bright that persists for hours to weeks an active region, regardless of whether NOAA has assigned it a number''.

''If there are no spots, it may be 'old plage' from a region whose spots have disappeared, a new region that will eventually produce spots, or a modest active region that never shows more than tiny ''pores'' (spots without penumbrae), that are sometimes very difficult

to see from the ground''.

We also heard from William Thompson of NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, who wrote ''No, we can tell if there's an active region or not, but we can't determine from the EUVI data alone whether that active region will have a sunspot''.

Dr. Gurman also mentioned checking magnetic maps of the sun from the ground based GONG network (Global Oscillation Network Group) at http://gong.nso.edu/data/farside/, and animations of solar magnetic activity at http://soi.stanford.edu/data/full_farside/.
What I currently see using these tools is very little magnetic activity.

Robert Brock, K9OSC of Fridley, Minnesota expressed some frustration trying to install the free propagation prediction program W6ELprop on a PC running Microsoft Vista. This suggestion ran in this bulletin back in 2007, and the key is to be sure you are logged in to the PC as Administrator, then from Windows Explorer right-click the installation file, and from the drop-down menu select ''Run as Administrator''. This is just an annoyance caused by security features in the operating system. I haven't tried Windows 7, which is due to be released this week, but probably similar steps will be needed. You can download W6ELprop from http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/. Information on running W6ELprop is at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/W6elprop.pdf.

In April and May bulletins ARLP017 and ARLP018 mentioned WSPRnet, the Weak Signal Propagation Reporter Network, which looks to be a promising tool for looking at HF propagation. The October 2009 issue of CQ Magazine has an interesting interview with Nobel Laureate Dr. Joe Taylor, K1JT, the developer of WSPRnet and other weak signal signaling methods. You can read it online at http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/Joe_Taylor_webOct09.pdf.

Also, Steve Nichols, G0KYA gave a talk on WSPR at the recent Radio Society of Great Britain convention. You can download his excellent PowerPoint presentation from http://www.infotechcomms.net/What_is_WSPR.ppt.

If you don't have PowerPoint, which is part of the Microsoft Office suite, you can download a free PowerPoint viewer from http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/powerpoint/HA100966951033.aspx#1.

After recent items in this bulletin about VHF propagation and fog banks, Len Halvorsen, WA2AMW wrote: ''The comments from Alan, KI6HPO, reminded me of an article I read many years ago about a VHF/UHF Propagation Enthusiast in Hawaii, who would search for (Tropo?) Propagation Ducts to the mainland by driving up the side of the volcano (the access road to the observatory telescopes) and stopping at various altitudes to test for existing propagation conditions to the west coast. He would often find paths to the mainland that were open only from within a narrow band of altitude on the side of the

volcano. Above and below that band the propagation corridor did not exist, nor was it accessible from his mobile/portable equipment''.

Carson Haring, AC0BU of Corydon, Iowa says he was surprised to see VHF fog propagation a subject of discussion, because he assumed it was common knowledge. ''Here in southern Iowa, where I work removing trees under the power lines from before the sun rises, I very often have assumed that fog influences propagation on 2 meters. Many summer mornings from the time we get to the work site until the fog burns off, (maybe 9 or 10 am) I can reliably use 2 meters for long distance QSOs from my bucket truck mobile''.

Also commenting on KI6HPO was Jug, WA6MBZ of Santa Barbara, California, who wrote, ''Until he died, we had an American who had been an AT&T employee who retired the moved to San Quentin, Mexico, about 250 miles below the US-Mexican border''.

''Every year for many years during the summer months etc, he would come on the Santa Barbara repeater on 146.790 MHz. He knew when the signal level was right and therefore when he could get into our repeater with a usable signal''.

''Our repeater is located on a hill near the beach called the Mesa. It is at about 400 feet above sea level. He could not get into our other repeaters that were located up at about 4,000 feet''.

''He was a very friendly guy and we used to talk to him for hours on end. I don't think any of our group ever asked him if he could get into other repeaters along the coast of Southern California''.

Thanks, Jug.

Also coming in this week were 6 meter sporadic-E reports. Jon Jones, N0JK reported from Kansas on Saturday, October 11 that he saw double-hop e-skip on 6 meters to beacons in Costa Rica, Bahamas and Florida. That same evening, which was October 12 at 0200z he worked WA4GPM in FN11 and N2LID in FN12 on 6 meters. On 10 meter CW on October 11, 2217-2236z he heard TX4SPA working N0RR, N4KG, KF6JOQ, W6QE, K1ZZI, KT4MM and W7DO.

For this week expect more of the same quiet geomagnetic conditions. Geophysical Institute Prague expects quiet to unsettled conditions today, October 16, then quiet conditions October 17-22. NOAA and USAF predict planetary A index today of 7, then back down to 5 for the foreseeable future. They expect solar flux to be up to 72 today through October 30.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed

explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for October 8 through 14 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 68.8, 69.2, 70, 70.4, 70.1, 69.8, and 70.9 with a mean of 69.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 3, 2, 6, 2, 2 and 2 with a mean of 2.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 1, 0, 7, 1, 2 and 0 with a mean of 1.7.
NNNN
/EX

11352. Re: WA1ECA???????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 00:50:20 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11350 Message: 11352

Al

QRZ lists his web page

http://www.qsl.net/wa1eca/

and the web page has a link to his email on the QSL icon.

Bob KB1JZU

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11353. Re: [DX-IS] K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 01:59:08 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11337 Message: 11353

WOW! What a vivid graphics on my Windows Media Player

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zoli Pitman HA1AG" <ha1ag@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11354. VK9LA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 02:46:59 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10087 Message: 11354

Does anyone know what phase of the qsl process they are in?

Dale K8TS

11355. Re: [DX-IS] VK9LA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 03:03:03 UTC
From: Al Baker
Topic: 10087 Message: 11355

I think VK4FW went on holiday for a while. He is back now and working down the pile.

Best,

Al, W5IZ

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
To: DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Fri, October 16, 2009 9:46:59 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] VK9LA

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Dale K8TS

11356. K4m logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 03:03:15 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11356 Message: 11356

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showing up for 20, 17, 40, 160, 80 meters, or at least they are in my log and I think I have made some contacts.

(pirated?, missing?, missed call?)

Bob AD5VJ

11357. RE: [DX-IS] Re: WA1ECA???????

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 03:05:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11350 Message: 11357

Good grief, Bob, I should have scrolled down the page. Thanks. I'll fire off an e-mail to him.

73

Al, VE1AL

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11358. Re: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 03:08:55 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 11356 Message: 11358

As of 0307Z, Oct. 17, the K4M log page shows this: "Last QSO in
database: 2009-10-15 21:26:48"

Ted, W2ZK

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11359. Re: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 03:21:28 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 11356 Message: 11359

Bob,

My 160 QSO on 15 Oct at 11:09Z shows up in their log (only contact I have prior to this evening).

Dick K8ZTT
----- Original Message -----
From: AD5VJ Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2009 9:03 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

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Bob AD5VJ

11360. RE: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 03:28:07 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11356 Message: 11360

OK that explains it then I didn't see that on the log page, guess I need to look for more information before worrying. Thanks guys
for the responses. One of mine was a 160 meter contact on the 16th in fact 4 contacts are before the posted time.

The three tonight I guess wont show up until tomorrow or Monday, who knows what their upload schedule is or what they have to go
through to be able to upload logs from there location. There have been some recent Dxpeditions that mentioned how often they would
upload, but I cant find that anywhere on their site.

This has been a really nice Dxpedition in my opinion.

Bob AD5VJ

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ted Roycraft
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2009 10:09 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

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Bob AD5VJ

11361. Re: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 04:14:34 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 11356 Message: 11361

Bob,

They are posting their logs as fast as any DXPedition I have seen. I just checked your call and you are in the log from 17M thur 80, no 160 contact though. Last QSO in database: 2009-10-17 01:01:30

Dick K8ZTT

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Subject: RE: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

OK that explains it then I didn't see that on the log page, guess I need to look for more information before worrying. Thanks guys for the responses. One of mine was a 160 meter contact on the 16th in fact 4 contacts are before the posted time.

The three tonight I guess wont show up until tomorrow or Monday, who knows what their upload schedule is or what they have to go through to be able to upload logs from there location. There have been some recent Dxpeditions that mentioned how often they would upload, but I cant find that anywhere on their site.

This has been a really nice Dxpedition in my opinion.

Bob AD5VJ

From: DX-IS@...m [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ted Roycraft
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2009 10:09 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

As of 0307Z, Oct. 17, the K4M log page shows this: "Last QSO in database: 2009-10-15 21:26:48"

Ted, W2ZK

AD5VJ Bob wrote:

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(pirated?, missing?, missed call?)

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11362. Re: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 11:20:36 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 11356 Message: 11362

All of my contacts have showed up as of this morning.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty K5LBU
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: AD5VJ Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2009 10:03 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

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Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.20/2441 - Release Date: 10/16/09 18:39:00

11363. Re: [DX-IS] K4m logs?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 11:22:59 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11356 Message: 11363

Yes, they appear to have done a large upload this morning.

Last QSO in database: 2009-10-17 08:55:52

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: Frosty
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 17, 2009 7:20 AM
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11364. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11364

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 290 Issued at 2200Z on 17 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No significant flare
activity was observed. However, isolated eruptive activity was
observed in a plage region near S28W01. EIT wave activity and weak
x-ray enhancements were associated with the eruptions. Thus far,
there are no indications of Earth-directed CME activity associated
with the eruptions.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the period (18 - 20 October).
III. Event Probabilities 18 Oct-20 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 Oct 071
Predicted 18 Oct-20 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 17 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 Oct 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 Oct 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 Oct-20 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Oct-20 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11365. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 22:22:03 UTC
From: w1mce@comcast.net
Topic: 11279 Message: 11365

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How often can you read about ham amplifier for sale using 4-1000 tubes? [4 KV on the plates at 1 ampere]

When the FCC got out of enforcement, the me first generation got big amplifiers.

DD, W1MCE

----- Original Message -----
From: "tedroycraft" <w2zk@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 11:01:07 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Just wondering if people know there is a 200 W PEP power limit on 30 meters or if they are just flaunting it. Listening to K4M it's pretty clear that there are a lot of KW+ stations calling him.

73, Ted, W2ZK

11366. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 22:24:41 UTC
From: Richard DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11279 Message: 11366

What a crock of @rap. Hams on the Left coast were running beyond legal limit as far back as the 1930s and 1940s. Read Don Wallace's book (certainly not a member of the "me" generation). N6AW wrote that many CA stations in Don's era were famous for running well beyond legal limits...

73 Rich NN3W

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From: w1mce@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 17, 2009 6:22 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

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11367. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 22:31:53 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11279 Message: 11367

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Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: w1mce@comcast.net
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 17, 2009 3:22 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

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11368. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-17 23:01:30 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11279 Message: 11368

Got that right! Most of them were/are in the Southern California DX Club.
Keep in mind W6AM's station was an old commercial radio station.

Rene - 30 year member SCDXC

----- Original Message -----
From: "Richard DiDonna NN3W" <nn3w@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 17, 2009 3:24 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

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> 73 Rich NN3W

11369. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 02:37:39 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11279 Message: 11369

Also keep in mind that in many countrys 200w is not the livit. VE for instance can run 1K. The playing field will never be level. Two many don't understand the rules. Although 30 is good for us little pistols

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 17, 2009 7:01:30 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

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To: < DX-IS@yahoogroups.com >
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11370. Re: K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 14:48:04 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11337 Message: 11370

What you describe is basically what used to be known as "tail ending." Over the years, there were a number of well-known dxpeditioners who despised tail ending. The theoretical secret to tail ending is/was to NOT send your call until the other station had at least exchanged reports. Too many stations these days just start sending their call as soon as the DX station comes back to that guy. All that does, obviously, is slow things down, clobber the QSO, etc.

Another old "trick" is/was instead of blasting out your call immediately, wait a small fraction of time (preferably something somewhat longer than a nanosecond!) and THEN send your call - there was a chance that 32 other stations had completed their call and yours will be in the clear. Of course, that same theory is why so many stations keep calling and calling and calling... - they're hoping to be the last station in the clear. Even with a relatively small number of stations calling, this most often results in a continuing cacophony that's hard to decipher.

DXers have accidentally become their own worst enemy. The lack of discipline on virtually everyone's part just makes the whole process more difficult. It's ironic that most of what used to work did so before the days of the cluster! Statistically speaking, it just has to be because there were less people tuning on the appropriate frequency.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Bob <robertlarson@...> wrote:
>
> Could also be that it works...
>
> Ever hear when you are looking for the station worked the fellows
> calling over the top were the next stations to be called? I have
> and when that is happening it surely only encourages more of it. Fault
> can be at either end...
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> 73,
> Bob
> K2TK
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> aburkefl wrote:
> > A well-known DXer and I exchanged e-mails recently, discussing the craziness we hear on the bands. The most interesting facet of what's going on is that *everyone* seems to be doing it!
> >
> > Several times I've tuned the pile, looking for a "clear" spot to scream my lungs out (or blast the airwaves with CW!). It doesn't seem to matter who's calling or who's being called. The DX station says "who's the Bravo Uniform?" If you're lucky enough to hear anyone else in the pile, they are typically calling without a single letter in their call corresponding to what he was looking for. The most perplexing part? Many of those you hear calling are what one might consider experienced, knowledgeable DXers who should know

better.
> >
> > I guess the craziness is contagious! Perhaps it's only solarfluxitis or
lackasunspotsitis.
> >
> > Art - N4PJ
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11371. DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 14:49:44 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11371 Message: 11371

In one of the IRC chat rooms the issue of the DXCC came up. I know that 30 meters used to not be valid for DXCC, but now is for contacts since 1945. Same with RTTY, SSB, and "mixed" mode. Satellite since 1965.

Why is CW DXCC valid for QSOs made only after January 1, 1975?

73 Rich NN3W

11372. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 15:04:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11371 Message: 11372

At 11:49 AM 10/18/2009, you wrote:

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>that 30 meters used to not be valid for DXCC, but now is for
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30M going back to 1945 makes no sense. 30M was the result of a WARC decision in the 80s, wasn't it? It would not have been possible to get DXCC on 30M (well, work 100 countries on 30M because the actual DXCC on 30M was a new thing ~2000) until at least 100 countries allowed 30M. I can't see why 30M contacts before the WARC decision to give us 30M would even be discussed.

Am I misinterpreting what you are saying? I didn't look up all the dates for the various bands/modes on the DXCC web site.

73, Paul VE1DX

11373. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 16:08:48 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11371 Message: 11373
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Rich,

I asked the ARRL DX desk this question a few years ago. I believe the answer was that the CW mode DXCC endorsement didn't exist before that time.

It was frustrating to have some perfectly good CW countries worked before that date not count for CW DXCC -- e.g. KP1.

73 de Brian/K3KO

Richard F DiDonna NN3W wrote:

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> Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.20/2443 - Release Date: 10/17/09 13:08:00
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11374. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 17:02:31 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 11279 Message: 11374

Wait a minute. Wait a gosh darn minute there.

Can I possibly be reading that right?

The Renegade on 20 meters? The man who swears that HF and 10 meters are one and the same?

Nah. Got to be a typo. Got to.

-----Original Message-----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" tagteam@... wb6psy
Sent: Saturday, Oct 17, 2009 3:36 pm ((PDT))
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Digest Number 834

3c. Re: My pair of 3 500Z's puts out 4KV at 1 amp - was 'real' necessary when I lived in Los Angeles and it was still difficult on 20m with a 4 el monobander to bust a pileup...
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11375. Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 17:28:09 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11279 Message: 11375

Hi Ron,
Yur right - you read it wrong. All I said it would've been difficult to break a pileup on 20m with a pair of 3-500Z's. That doesn't mean the Renegade had/has a 20m mono and a 40m monobander .... ..
10 metres rules (except on the downside of a sunspot cycle)

73 de Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Ron Notarius W3WN" <wn3vaw@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 200 Watt US power limit on 30M

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11376. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 17:38:31 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11371 Message: 11376

If I remember correctly (and there is good reason to believe that I don't), the CW DXCC Award was issued as an entirely new award in 1975. No one could grandfather deleted countries and that put everyone on the proverbial "level playing field" at the moment of inception.

With the addition of 7O1YGF to my CW totals on Friday, I now have 334 confirmed for CW DXCC missing 3D2/C (I didn't even hear 3D20CR), JD/M, KH5K & P5. Of course I need P5 on any mode.
Including deletions since 1975, I have 344 on CW.

I think the idea to start in 1975 was a good one, although it appears there are lots who don't agree.

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 12:04 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

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11377. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 17:48:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11371 Message: 11377

It is always so fascinating to me what people need to complete DXCC HR and what they worked early on in their DXing careers that was rare.

I still need 3Y/Bouvet, A5, A9, EP, P5, YA for all-time new ones. I worked the previous 3D/Conway operation as well as the recent one. JD/M was in my first 100, I believe, as was S2.

I'm having great trouble getting a card out of a 40 station. I've worked several but none of them are getting my cards or are not responding to them. :-(

73, Zack W9SZ

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Date: 2009-10-18 17:55:33 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11371 Message: 11378

Al,
I worked 8 countries in the 50s that have since been deleted.
But a DXCC award was issued in 1959 showing credit for those 8 countries.
And my recent submission of the countries worked after 1993 include the
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11379. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 18:06:50 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 11371 Message: 11379

Those count towards DXCC but not CW DXCC, If you apply for CW DXCC
those will not count even as deleted countries, ONLY COUNTERS ARE
AFTER 1/1/75. CQ also has a similar rule for 5BWAZ. I have a WAZ
from the early 70s, but those cards do not count for 5BWAZ as that
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Buzz N5UR

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11380. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 19:57:59 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11371 Message: 11380

At 10:48 AM 10/18/2009, Zack Widup wrote:
>It is always so fascinating to me what people need to complete DXCC
>HR and what they worked early on in their DXing careers that was rare.
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>I still need 3Y/Bouvet, A5, A9, EP, P5, YA for all-time new ones. I
>worked the previous 3D/Conway operation as well as the recent one.
>JD/M was in my first 100, I believe, as was S2.

I think you've hit on the fascination of DX, Zack. I have confirmed
all those you need, yet the half-dozen I need for HR I am sure you
already have. DX is different for everyone. Or, as someone wittier
than I once said, DX IS!

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11381. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 20:26:12 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11371 Message: 11381

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
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11382. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 21:02:49 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11371 Message: 11382

Great news Al,
I was confused by the previous post exceptions and rules.
It seemed to say cw was stuck with a new rule - but that didn't make
sense that they would single out cw and make it tougher on them.
Yours is much simpler!
BTW, I guess I've missed K4M - only heard them twice on 40m and only in
and out of noise for a few minutes those two mornings.
I hope you had better luck
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11383. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #930

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 21:15:03 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11383 Message: 11383

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT:
According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 11th-October, through Sunday, 18th-October there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FO/m, FP, FR, FT5W, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/g, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA, SWAIZILAND. Operators Andy/3DA0TM, Dave/ZS6AVM, Dave/ZS6GF and Daniel/ZS6JR will be active as 3DA0WW in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via 3DA0TM.

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Vaho, 4L8A, will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via K1BV.

4L, GEORGIA. Roli, LY4A, will be active as 4L3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via LY4A. Visit Roli's Wen page at: http://www.ly4a.com

5B, CYPRUS. Stewart, G3RXQ, will be active as 5B/G3RXQ during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via G3RXQ.

5R, MADAGASCAR. Sam, G4OHX, will be active as 5R8HX from Madagascar (IOTA AF-013 and WLOTA L2455) between December 28th and January 3rd (2010). Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign direct only.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Mohammed, A61BN, is a new ham in Dubai. He seems to be enjoying 20 meters on SSB between 1100-1330z. There has also been a report that he likes the Digital modes. He has a stateside QSL Manager who is Buzz, NI5DX. Buzz is expected to have the logs shortly, and QSL cards should be available in about a month or so. Mohammed is a good friend of Khalid, A61BK, who has been a great "Elmer" for him. Buzz is also the QSL Manager for A61BK.

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R during the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Mikiawa/JR7OMD, Masaki/JO1DFG, and Sato/JH7QXJ. QSL via JH7QXJ. ADDED NOTE: They suggest to listen to 7075-7100 kHz.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Kuny/W1FPU (7L1FPU), Hajime/AH0BR, Moto/W1NDE and possibly others will be active as AH0BT from the Northern Mariana Islands during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU, by the Bureau and direct (see QRZ.com). Watch an interesting AH0BT video on YouTube at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wwcNHnCWmZA

AO8, CANARY ISLANDS (AF-004). Operators Pekka/OH1RY/EA8AH, Juan/EA8CAC, Manuel/EA8ZS, Salvador/EA5DY, Jaakko/OH1MA, Kari/OH3RB, Kari/OH5XT and Jussi-Pekka/OH6RZ will be active as AO8A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via OH1RY.

CE9, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. A team of operators will be operating from Arturo Prat-Greenwich Island-South Shetland archipelago between January 10-24th. Team members mentioned are: Luis/XQ5CIE, Carlos/CE6UFF, Didier/F6DXE and Dagoberto/CE5COX. No other details were provided.

CN, MOROCCO. M'hamed, CN8NK, in Rabat, will be active as CN4P during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via

EA5XX.

D6, COMOROS. Sam, F6AML, (F6KOP team member) will be active as D68F from the Union des Comores (AF-007) between November 13-23rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW and SSB. His suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1828(RX/1822), 3520, 7020, 10115, 14020, 18071, 21020, 24891 and 28020 kHz
SSB - 1828(RX/1822), 3775, 7075, 14265, 18140, 21265, 24960 and 28480 kHz
Sam will operate split (up 5 or down 5 kHz) using a FT857D w/amp. He plans to focus on the topband and lower bands. SUNRISE: 0240z SUNSET: 0215z. QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau or direct (QRZ.com). All the gear except the amplifier, will be given to the foundation for the future Radio Club of the Comoros Union.

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
FT5GA - Glorioso Island; 2009 Operation

* YI/KV4EB DXCC CREDITS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports DXCC credit for this operation originally noted dates from April 20, 2003, to November 28, 2003. An update to this operation has been received and the DXCC approval dates are now from April 20, 2003, through January 9, 2004. If you had this operation rejected due to this date issue you can fix it in one of two ways:
1) Send an email to dxcc@...
2) Select it in your next LogBook of The World application as logs will soon be uploaded.
This is ONLY if your QSO falls within the date period noted above.

EI, IRELAND. Olivier, ON4EI, will once again be active as EI/ON4EI from Ireland (EU-EU-115, WLOTA 2484) near Fethard (IO62DL) on the top of Benneshill (170m ASL) between October 21-26th. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/ Non-Assisted entry. It is suggested to look for him before the contest on 7150 lHz +/- QRM. His equipment is a Elecraft K3 w/100w into a 18m vertical top loaded monopole, inverted V for 160/80/40m and a Spiderbeam for 20/15/10m.

ES, ESTONIA. Ben, OZ5AAH/OZ5IPA, will be active as ES1/OZ5IPA from Tallinn and plans to participate again in the "The International Police Association's Contest", November 7-8th. Contest rules are available at: http://www.ipa-rc.de
Look for him to be on CW and SSB. All QSOs will be good for "Sherlock Holmes Award" and IPA awards. QSL via his home callsign direct to:
Ben Jakobsen, Gjethusparken 25, DK-3300 Frederiksvaerk, Denmark.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Phil, FO8RZ (F5PHW), continues to be active on the bands (include topband). He has announced that he will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band or Single-Band (15 or 10m) entry. His activity will be "random style".

QSL via F8BPN, direct, by the bureau, LotW.

HQ2, HONDURAS. Dan, HR2DMR, will be active as HQ2W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via HR2DMR (QRZ.com).

HT2/YN, NICARAGUA. Mike, K9NW, will again be active from Nicaragua between October 22-27th. His activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) using the callsign HT2N during the contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Look for him as YN2NW before and after the contest. QSL YN2NW via K9NW. QSL HT2N via K9NW "ONLY" for the 2009 CQWW SSB Contest.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-045. Mauro, IN3SAU, will be active as IB0/IN3SAU from Ponza Island for 10 days starting October 26th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

OC-129. Manfred, DL4IAS, will be active as DV7/DL4IAS from Bantayan Island in the Philippines between October 20th and November 5th. Activity will be on CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

OC-130. Kouichi, JI1FGX, now living in Ozamiz Occidental on the Island of Mindanao, is active as JI1FGX/DU9. Activity is on 80/40/20/17/15/10/6 meters using SSB, SSTV and RTTY. QSL Manager is JF1LZQ: Yutaka Sakurai, P.O. Box 1, Suyama, SUSONO, SHIZUOKA, 410-1299, JAPAN. Please send your QSL requests to JF1LZQ via the following instructions below:
For JA stations - JARL Bureau, SASE, or SAE + 1 USD
For Non-JA stations - Bureau, or SAE + 2 USDs

OC-142. Ray, K9LUK, is expected to be active possibly as VK4/K9LUK from Fraser Island (OC-142, WLOTA L 2976), Queensland State, Australia, between now and October 23rd. Look for activity on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

OC-149. Operators Mike/KM9D and Jan/KF4TUG are reportedly staying on Liapari Island in the New Georgia Island Group. Length of stay is not known. Mike is signing H44MY and has been active on 160/80/40/15 meters CW. QSL via OM2SA.

SA-019. Operators Nilzo/PY6AWU, Jose/PY6HD and Roberto/PY6RT will be active as ZZ6Z from Abrolhos Archipelago between October 29th and November 2nd. The Brazilian Navy schedule could affect the dates. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. QSL via direct only to PY6HD.

JT, MONGOLIA. Marko, N5ZO, will be active as JT1ZO during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH0XX. Marko informs OPDX that he will be there between October 21-26th. Activity outside of the contest will be on the traditional HF bands probably most of the time (most likely very little if any 160m as there is no amp or

antenna present there) using CW and SSB.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLANDS (OC-030). This operation is ending fast. The following is a schedule that was posted on the K4M Web page:
October 18th (2000z) - Commence tear down; Operation reduced to stations operating 15□160 meters.
October 19th (0600z) - 15, 17 and 20 meter stations go QRT; Operation reduced to stations operating 30-160 meters
October 19th (1800z) - QRT
October 20th (0100z) - Depart Midway Atoll for Honolulu
As of early October 18th (0138z), there are over 49.3k QSOs with 15.5k unique callsigns (29584/CW, 17841/SSB and 1876/RTTY). For more details, updates, online log, frequencies and bios, go to: http://www.midway2009.com
QSL via online QSL Service, direct (Midway 2009, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620-9989 USA) or LoTW. See the above Web page for complete details.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For October 19-25th)....
Oct 19 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Oct 20 AN ---------------
Oct 21 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct 22 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct 23 AN LN - Low Normal
Oct 24 AN-HN
Oct 25 AN-HN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators David/N3XF, Ed/K1ZE and Rob/W1EQ will be active as KP2/homecall from St. Croix between November 4-11th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. Look for KP2M during the ARRL CW Sweepstakes Contest (November 7-8th). QSL KP2M via info on QRZ.com. All other QSLs via home callsign and LoTW.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe, LX2A, will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. QSL is OK via LX2A, by the Bureau, direct and LoTW (no EQSL). His Web page is: http://www.lx2a.com

NEW CLUB FORMED. It was announced this past week that a new club called "Radio Club Isla de Margarita" (YV7RCM), located on the Island of Margarita (IOTA SA-012), was born. At the present, there are 40 active members and some others waiting for their callsigns. Board of directors are:
Rafael Arenas/YV5ESN/7 - President
Diego Ross/YV7KT - Vice President
Jose Luis Blanco/YV7BMZ - Secretary
David Fernandez/EB7DX - QSL Manager
Club's Web page is:
http://sites.google.com/site/radioclubislademargarita/home

E-mail address is: yv7rcm@...

OOOPPSSS DEPARTMENT! Small typo in last week's bulletin (OPDX.929).
Under the item "J8, ST. LUCIA.", the "J8" should have been "J6".

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Reminder/Update/IOTA Op). Operators Hans/SM6CVX (CW), Derek/G3KHZ (CW), Luis/CT1AGF (SSB/RTTY), Gordon/G3USR (SSB) and David/M0VTG are scheduled to activate three (possibly 6) Papua New Guinea IOTA islands between October 22nd and November 16th. The announced schedule and callsigns are as follows:
OC-102 - Tanga Island; callsign P29VCX (via SM6CVX); October 22-26th
OC-231 - Green Island; callsign P29VLR (via SM6CVX); October 27-31st
OC-205 - Woodlark Island; callsign P29NI (via G3KHZ); November 2-9th
Activity will be on 160-15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY modes. The team will be using new single band vertical dipoles for 30-15 meters and a ground plane for 40 meters. Hans, SM6CVX, will activate Hastings Island (OC-117) as P29VCX (QSL via SM6CVX) possibly between November 11-13th. Then if possible, D'Entrecasteaux Island (OC-116) as P29VCX (QSL via SM6CVX) between November 13-14th. Also, a one night operation is possible from Loloata Island (OC-240) as P29VCX (QSL via SM6CVX) between November 15-16th. A Web page is available for more details at:
http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009/index.html

PA30, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Members of the "International Police Association Radio Club" of the Netherlands (IPARC-PA) is celebrating their 30th anniversary by activating the special event station PA30IPA between now and November 6th. Look for IPA members of the IPARC to be active on HF, VHF and UHF on all modes, including PSK31 and RTTY. QSOs with PA30IPA counts for 2 points towards the Windmill Award. You need 3 points, so if you ask for a QSO with the operator with his home callsign, you collect all 3 points and can obtain the award. QSL PA30IPA via PA9LUC. For a scedule of the transmissions of PA30IPA see IPARC's Web site at:
http://www.iparc.nl

PB65, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event station PB65BP to be active until November 11th. Operations will be on all bands and the Digital modes. Activity is to celebrate the 65th anniversary of the "Liberation of Breda" and the memory of the Poles -- soldiers of the First Polish Armored Division under General Stanislaw Maczek that released the city on October 29, 1944. The complete story can be found on QRZ.com under the callsign PB65BP. QSL via PA1WLB.

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Don, W9JNY, will be active as PJ4/W9NJY from Bonaire (SA-006 and WLOTA L1279) between now and October 30th. Activity will be casual on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Jeff, KU8E, will once again be active as PJ4/KU8E from Bonaire (SA-006 and WLOTA L1279) during November (dates not provided). Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via K4BAI, direct or by the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
STILL OPERATING AND STILL QSLING! Wim, PA0WRS, reported (edited):
"Today in the mail a QSL from W0ZTL North Dakota 160m. A new one
for my 160m WAS. Operator Alex will be 92 years old in November
and is QRV since 1939. I added 2 Greenstamps and Alex returned 1.
It's for sure that Alex still has FB ears..... Tks Alex"

NEW QSL MANAGER. Andy, ZC4VJ (G3AB), reports that he has a new QSL
Manager. The new QSL Manager is via M0URX. Cards received at the
P.O. Box address in Cyprus will continue to be answered. LoTW logs
will continue to be uploaded by ZC4VJ.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Erik, K5WW, reports that effective October 12th, he will
start doing the HR9/WQ7R QSL (so no longer via AI4U).

HAVE PATIENCE! More QSL cards were received this past week for the many
UA4WHX operations. Leslie, WF5E, from the "WF5E DX-QSL SERVICE" reported
receiving 600 QSL cards from Vlad, UA4WHX. He states, "Today (Oct. 17th)
I received my first shipment of QSLs from UA4WHX. 3 lbs. I still have
another 500 or so due later. I will process these and send them out
ASAP. Thanks Vlad." For more details about the "WF5E DX-QSL SERVICE"
go to: http://www.qsl.net/wf5e

QSLS VIA LOTW: 9M2CNC, CT3FQ, GW4BLE, HI3TEJ, HK1X, HK6P, IK0YVV, LX7I,
LY9Y, OE9GHV, OK2ZI, PA7LV, PF7M, S9MX, SV2BFN, TI5/NP3D, TO4X, TS7C,
UA3BS/3, UA3SAQ, UA3TCJ, YI/KV4EB, YL7X and YW4V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5B/AJ2O, 5B4AII, 5K0T, 9H3QC, C31PP, CC0Y,
GI0KOW, GI0VJE, HA5JI, KL7J, LZ1JZ, OH0R, PY0FF, R7HQ, RW3RN, TO3R,
TO5AA, TO8YY, UM8LA, VK9GMW, VQ9LA, YI1RZ, YL2BJ, YL2KO and YT5W

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L7O, DP1POL, EP4HR, ES5NC, FJ5DX, H40FN,
LA9Z, OA4BHY/2, T88HM, TC2T, V51AS, V26MN, VK9XW, VP9400KD, XE1KK/XF1,
YJ0MM and ZL1WY/ZL7

SILENT KEY. It has been reported that well-known DXer Mathias Bjerrang,
JW5NM/LA5NM became a Silent Key (SK). Reports indicate that while in
Svalbard, Mathias slipped and fell while walking, hitting his head. He
was later found Sunday morning, cold and unable to speak. He was brought
inside where he later stopped breathing; he was unable to be resuscitated
and died. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy
to the family and friends of JW5NM/LA5NM.

ST, SUDAN. Robert, S53R, will be active either as ST2KSS or ST2X (pending
license) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/
Single-Band (15m, possibly 20m) entry.

T8, PALAU. Kozo, JR8DHE, will be active as T88KP between October 24-29th.
Look for activity in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL via
his home callsign.

TC7, TURKEY. Operators Hudaverdi/TA7OM, Ayhan/TA7N, Erkan/TA7CM, Bulent/
TA7Q, Ismail/TA7AO, Can/TA3GO and YL Elif/TA3YE will be active as TC7KA
during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry.

QSL via TA7KA.

TI5, COSTA RICA. Once again a large team of operators will be active as TI5N during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via W3HNK. Operators mentioned are Brian/K9QQ, Mike/KA4RRU, Dan/W0CN, Denis/W4DC and Kyle/WA4PGM.

TI8, COSTA RICA. Operators Keith/W4KTR, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Lex/W4XO, Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan Carlos/TI2JCY and TI2ZM will be active as TI8M from Costa de Pajaros, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct preferred but bureau "OK".

TO7, MARTINIQUE. Dmitry, UT5UGR, will be active as TO7A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UT5UGR.

TX5, MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update). Operators Les/SP3DOI, Jan/SP3CYY, Wojciech/SP9PT, Jozef/SP9-31029 and Michel/FO5QB will be closing up their TX5SPM Nuku Hiva Island (OC-027) operation in the Marquesas Islands group on October 22nd. As of Sunday, 4k QSOs are logged. The QSL Manager for their DXpeditions is Wojciech, SP9PT. For more details and updates, go to: http://fo2009sp.pl

V3, BELIZE (Update). Pete, K8PT, will be active as V31PT from Ambergris Cay (IOTA NA-073) between November 24th December 6th. He informs OPDX that this will be a holiday style operation on 40-10 meters only using SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

VG7, CANADA (Special Event). Members of the Vancouver Olympics Amateur Radio Group (VOARG) will be activating three special event stations to promote/commemorate the Vancouver Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games to be held in February and March of 2010. The special activity has began this October and will continue through March 2010. Operations will be on all bands and modes. The schedule for the three special 2x1 callsigns are as follows:
VG7V ☐ October 1st through November 30th
VG7W ☐ December 1st through January 31st (2010)
VG7G ☐ February 1st through March 31st (2010)
VOARG will be consolidating all contacts and intends to post them to the LoTW. In addition, commemorative QSL cards will be available at the conclusion of the events in April 2010. Direct QSL will require a self addressed envelope (SAE) and 2 green stamps to cover postage sent to the following address: VOARG, 9362 - 206A St., Langley, BC, Canada V1M 2W6 Cards received via the QSL Bureau will be returned the same way. A VOARG Web site will be operational in the very near future with more details.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. There have been a few 40m QSNs reported by VKs that Lewis, VK2AHL, is active as VK2AHL/VK9L and is on holiday there. No way to check before going to print, but WFWL..... We will keep you posted.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. Operators Phil/G3SWH and Jim/G3RTE will be active from Christmas Island between February 20-27th (2010). Christmas Island counts as OC-002 for IOTA purposes. The 2008 "Most Wanted" survey by the DX Magazine shows Christmas Island at #66 world-wide for DXCC purposes. They will both use the callsign VK9X/G6AY. Their activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160 meters activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many bands as possible. QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and adequate return postage (recommended), via Phil's Web site <http://www.g3swh.org.uk> for a bureau reply or via the bureau. There is more information at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/christmas-island.html

VR2, HONG KONG (Also FK). Jean-Louis, F5NHJ, will be active as VR2/F5NHJ from Hong Kong (AS-006) between October 20-25th. He will also be active from New Caledonia (FK) between October 26th and November 11th. His callsign will be FK/F5NHJ from Grande Terre (OC-032) and also from Lifou or Mare Island (OC-033). Activity from both places will be focused on 30 meters using the Digital modes. He will use a FT-857 and a Buddipole. QSL via F5NHJ, direct or LoTW. For more details, see his Web page at: http://www.f5nhj.fr

WRTC-2010 NEWS. Harry, RA3AUU, member of the WRTC-2010 Organizing Committee, announced that the list of team leaders have been chosen for WRTC-2010. To see the list of the 44 team leaders, please visit the WRTC-2010 Web page at: http://www.wrtc2010.ru/

XU7, CAMBODIA (IOTA/Contest Op). Wim, XU7TZG, will once again be active as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (IOAT AS-133, aka Bamboo Island). Peter, NO2R (XU7ACY) will also be with him. Both will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via ON7PP direct only (w/2 USDs and SAE). Donations appreciated to QSL Manager to cover expenses. There will be limited CW operations before the contest.

YB, INDONESIA. Members of the ORARI Daerah Jawa Tengah Contesting Team will be active as YE2R from Semarang on the Island of Java (IOTA OC-021, WLOTA L1660), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via EB7DX. Operators mentioned are: Hans/YB2DX, Seno/YB2LSR, Warno/YB2BOB, Jon/YB2ECG, Dani/YB2TJV, Taryono/YB2OBL, Partono/YB2CPO, Herry/YB2SSB, Deta/YB2VTO, Buntoro/YB3PXF, Adhi/YB3MM, Rudi/YC2KME, Bobby/YC2BBY, Dharmoko/YC2JVX, Sapto/YC2JKG, Udi/YC2PQW and Danis/YD2DNA.

YJ, VANUATU (Update/IOTA Op). The Croatian team of Ante/9A4DU, Nikola/9A6DX and Marko/9A8MM will be active as YJ0XX, YJ0DX and YJ0MM, respectively from Efate Island (OC-035) between January 21-28th (2010). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL Manager will be 9A8MM. More details and updates are available at: http://vanuatu.rkp.hr

YOUNG HAM'S SELECTED FOR 2009 CQWW. David, KY1V, reports (edited): "We have finished the selection process for this year's Young Ham Contest Program. Having received dozens of essays from 5 continents we discovered we had a rich pool of excellent young CW operators from which to choose.

This year, we decided to go back to our roots and sponsor CW operators for the CQWW CW Contest which we haven't done since 2004 when then 14 year old Daniel Bradke, W2AU, was selected as the first ever recipient of this opportunity at VP5X. Thanks to my partner Krassy, K1LZ, and a generous donation from a Texas amateur (whom we'll announce later with permission), we decided to select 4 young hams to comprise the base team for 6Y1V's CQWW CW operation. With myself as the 5th team member, we have one spot open for a 6th team member. If you're interested in participating in this once in a life time adventure, let me know ASAP. Congratulations to the following four lucky young hams:
K0DXC - Cal Darula of Jackson, Ohio**
EA3ALZ - Roger Caminal of Sabadell, Spain
OZ7AM - Alex Hansen of Vallensbaek Strand, Denmark
RV9LM - Alexander Bezmenov of Tyumen, Russia
See you in Jamaica in November!"
** PLEASE NOTE: David, KY1V, later reported: "It is with great regret that I report Cal Darula, K0DXC, cannot join us for CQWW CW in November due to a prior commitment to K3LR. Not only is Cal a wonderful kid, but he is a stand up guy that places priority on previous commitments! You'll go far in life Cal. Krassy and I are extending you a special invitation to operate in ARRL DX next spring. Yes, we'll pick up your expenses! This leaves us with an open seat for another lucky young ham. We'll announce our selection within 24 hours!"

VU2, INDIA. Pai, VU2PAI, in Mangalore, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Activity will be on 160-10 meters. QSL via VU2PAI direct (QRZ.com address).

YW0, AVES ISLAND. On the YW0A Web page, it was announced that "The DXpedition will be scheduled by the Venezuelan Army for January 2010, in 3 or 4 weeks. We are working and coordinating with them, to obtain less days of operation. No one operator or team member can stay for a long time on the island." For updates, watch:
http://yw0a.4m5dx.info/home.html

Z3, MACEDONIA (Update/Correction). Members of the Radio Club "Nikola Tesla" (Z37M) and the MDXC will be active as Z37M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via the Bureau or direct only to the MDXC H.Q. at: MEDITERRANEO DX CLUB, BOX 360, 87100 Cosenza, Italy. Operators mentioned are: Ant/IZ8CCW, Pasquale/IZ8IYX, Dario/IT9SSI, Antonello/IT9YVO, Gianni/IZ8CGS, Alex/IZ5MOQ, Dom/IZ8JAI, Venco/Z36W and Chris/Z35X. Look for more details on the MDXC Web page at:
http://www.mdxc.org

ZP0, PARAGUAY. Mike, NT6X, plans to be active as ZP0R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via ZP5AZL. Mike will be operating from Tom's, ZP5AZL, QTH located in the borders of Asuncion, the capital city of Paraguay. Operations prior to the contest, Mike will sign ZP6/NT6X.

ZY0T, TRINDADE AND MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS (Update/Delay). Members of the
Rio DX Group are now active from Trindade Island (SA-010) as ZY0T until
October 20th. QSL via PY1NB DIRECT ONLY. See OPDX.927 for more details,
or visit their Web page at: http://riodxgroup.dxwatch.com/trindade-2009

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11384. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 21:15:44 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11371 Message: 11384

Likewise here - I have all those confirmed too but I don't have a 4O nor a FJ as an alltime new one but most everyone else has them...
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----- Original Message -----
From: "Dick Flanagan" <dick@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 12:57 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

> At 10:48 AM 10/18/2009, Zack Widup wrote:
>>It is always so fascinating to me what people need to complete DXCC
>>HR and what they worked early on in their DXing careers that was rare.
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>>I still need 3Y/Bouvet, A5, A9, EP, P5, YA for all-time new ones. I
>>worked the previous 3D/Conway operation as well as the recent one.
>>JD/M was in my first 100, I believe, as was S2.
>
> I think you've hit on the fascination of DX, Zack. I have confirmed
> all those you need, yet the half-dozen I need for HR I am sure you
> already have. DX is different for everyone. Or, as someone wittier
> than I once said, DX IS!
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11385. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 22:03:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11371 Message: 11385

Good, Frank. Am glad you got it figured out.

I didn't fare much better with K4M. I did manage an SSB QSO on 20 and a CW QSO on 17. The latter was a new band. Heard them on 17 SSB once, faintly on 15 SSB once and nowhere else.

I also missed 3D20CR which would have been a new mode (CW), and managed only one QSO with TX5SPA on a band I didn't need.

Better days ahead :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 6:03 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question

Great news Al,
I was confused by the previous post exceptions and rules.
It seemed to say cw was stuck with a new rule - but that didn't make sense that they would single out cw and make it tougher on them.
Yours is much simpler!
BTW, I guess I've missed K4M - only heard them twice on 40m and only in and out of noise for a few minutes those two mornings.
I hope you had better luck
73 and gl
frank w0ecs

Alan Leith wrote:
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> If your DXCC is Mixed, Frank, as far as I know, you should be OK. It
> would be the CW DXCC that eliminated credit for CW countries credited
> before 1975.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On

> Behalf Of Frank T Brady
> Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 2:56 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question
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> Al,
> I worked 8 countries in the 50s that have since been deleted.
> But a DXCC award was issued in 1959 showing credit for those 8 countries.
> And my recent submission of the countries worked after 1993 include
> the
> 8 dels.
> Have things changed since then that they will now be deducted from my
> total?
> I guess there have been articles/announcements that I missed about
> this issue.
> 73 frank w0ecs
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> Alan Leith wrote:
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> > If I remember correctly (and there is good reason to believe that I
> > don't), the CW DXCC Award was issued as an entirely new award in 1975.
> > No one could grandfather deleted countries and that put everyone on
> > the proverbial "level playing field" at the moment of inception.
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> > With the addition of 7O1YGF to my CW totals on Friday, I now have
> > 334 confirmed for CW DXCC missing 3D2/C (I didn't even hear 3D20CR),
> > JD/M, KH5K & P5. Of course I need P5 on any mode.
> > Including deletions since 1975, I have 344 on CW.
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> > I think the idea to start in 1975 was a good one, although it
> > appears there are lots who don't agree.
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> > *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] *On
> > Behalf Of *Paul M Dunphy
> > *Sent:* Sunday, October 18, 2009 12:04 PM
> > *To:* DX IS!
> > *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] DXCC CW question
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> > At 11:49 AM 10/18/2009, you wrote:
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> >> In one of the IRC chat rooms the issue of the DXCC came up. I know
> >> that 30 meters used to not be valid for DXCC, but now is for
> >> contacts since 1945. Same with RTTY, SSB, and "mixed" mode.
> >> Satellite since 1965.
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> >> Why is CW DXCC valid for QSOs made only after January 1, 1975?
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> >> 73 Rich NN3W
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> > Dunno Rich, but it is. I always wondered that too. The foundation of
> > Ham radio was/is CW, and yet there was no CW only DXCC award until
> > 1975. Before that it was mixed and phone. (My CW one is
> > #6,076 issued in 1993 and my Phone one is #20,214 issued in 1992 and
> > my Mixed one is #30,144 issued in 1990.) The serial numbers clearly
> > show CW certificates are a "new" addition. I don't know why they did
> > not make CW QSOs retroactive back to 1945.
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> > 30M going back to 1945 makes no sense. 30M was the result of a WARC
> > decision in the 80s, wasn't it? It would not have been possible to
> > get DXCC on 30M (well, work 100 countries on 30M because the actual
> > DXCC on 30M was a new thing ~2000) until at least 100 countries
> > allowed 30M. I can't see why 30M contacts before the WARC decision
> > to give us 30M would even be discussed.
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> > Am I misinterpreting what you are saying? I didn't look up all the
> > dates for the various bands/modes on the DXCC web site.
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> > 73, Paul VE1DX
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11386. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-18 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11386

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 18 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 291 Issued at 2200Z on 18 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 17/2100Z
to 18/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. A southern plage region
(S28W14) produced a two-ribbon flare around 17/1900Z associated with
a minor x-ray enhancement and an EIT wave. LASCO images showed a
faint, slow-moving (around 230 km/sec), Earth-directed partial-halo
CME was also associated with the flare.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 17/2100Z to 18/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the period (19 - 21 October).
No significant field effects are expected from the CME mentioned
above.
III. Event Probabilities 19 Oct-21 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 18 Oct 070
Predicted 19 Oct-21 Oct 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 18 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 17 Oct 000/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 18 Oct 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 19 Oct-21 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 19 Oct-21 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11387. Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 01:39:38 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11387 Message: 11387

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73s John AA5JG

11388. Re: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 01:55:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11387 Message: 11388

At 10:39 PM 10/18/2009, you wrote:
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Not directly, John, but several months ago I was working a
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but that was at least one report I got specifically pointing to plasma TVs.

I don't have one, so I have no direct knowledge. I do have 2
computers in the shack and 4 others running it the house for a total
of 6 within 100 feet of my antennas and I do not see the white noise
background hash that I used to get 10-15 years ago with older
gear. Early computers were notorious for generating white noise and birdies.

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it is well publicised and discussed within the Ham community. I'd be
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73, Paul VE1DX

11389. Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 02:06:05 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11387 Message: 11389

PAUL !!!!!

OMG ! I am speechless ! YOU would choose P5,....

I shall PRAY for your Soul !

LMAO !

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II

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----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 8:55 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

At 10:39 PM 10/18/2009, you wrote:
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11390. Re: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 02:13:12 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11387 Message: 11390

At 11:06 PM 10/18/2009, you wrote:

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> A.R.S. W5TFW
> Richard J. Fiero II
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><http://www.6mt.com>www.6mt.com
> www.w5tfw.com

Well, I did watch that 5+ hour game last night (all 13 innings)
that didn't get over until past 2:15 AM local time. However, the
bands were closed. Had I been hearing the K4M guys on 160M, it would
have been a tough call.

I know at least one of the K4M team members is a huge Yankee fan,
so I suspect I would have been forgiven if I made the "wrong" choice! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

11391. Re: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 02:35:23 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 11387 Message: 11391

As I recall, within the last 6 months, one qrz.com there was a weekly news item that reported the FCC ordering a consumer not to use their plasma TV because of the Ham Band interference it was causing.

If you search you will find it.

John

--- On Sun, 10/18/09, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

> From: John Geiger <aa5jg@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference
> To: cq-contest@..., dx-is@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Sunday, October 18, 2009, 9:39 PM
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11392. Re: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 02:44:58 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11387 Message: 11392

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>weekly news item that reported the FCC ordering a consumer not to
>use their plasma TV because of the Ham Band interference it was causing.
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>If you search you will find it.
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>John

That's the info I was interested in, John. It's also good to hear that the FCC is enforcing their RFI emission standards. I'm sure Canada will follow suit. I will have a look on QRZ.COM's message board for that discussion.

73, Paul VE1DX

11393. RE: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 03:51:26 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11387 Message: 11393

Hi John,

Yes, I have a neighbour with two plasmas. One has been tested and it's a 50 inch plasma, I can send the model and details on if you wish.

The offending units are just under 20m from my station and the QRM is horrendous! On certain frequencies, QRM around S9. Most of the time I cannot work the DX through the QRM, occasionally if it's a good signal and on CW, it's possible.

I find the QRM is a constant buzz or brrr sound and stays very constant, perhaps slightly moving upwards over hours. Some of the frequencies affected are 14010 - 14015. Plus and minus 14250 ...could not hear the ZY0T there! +/- 18083, all of 30m and most of 40m.

Anyone reading this, whatever you do, do NOT buy a plasma TV and don't recommend them, they are energy thirsty and QRM machines. Fortunately the technology is changing and they should be out of date shortly...

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Monday, 19 October 2009 9:40 AM
To: cq-contest@contesting.com; dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

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11394. RE: [DX-IS] Re: K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 05:25:05 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11337 Message: 11394

It sounds like a bunch of old angry farts out there! Where's their dignity gone? Where's the respect for others gone?

If you have a problem with not getting through to the DX, well, flamin' well switch your rig off for a while, walk away! Let someone else get them.

We're not playing for sheep stations here! It's a hobby. The DX will be back another day. Good grief reef will surface again!

And while I am at it, would somebody please send a message to the RADAR operator on 40m, it's a simple message, "switch that blasted thing off"!

J

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Saturday, 17 October 2009 5:00 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: K4M zoo heard fm EU

A well-known DXer and I exchanged e-mails recently, discussing the craziness we hear on the bands. The most interesting facet of what's going on is that *everyone* seems to be doing it!

Several times I've tuned the pile, looking for a "clear" spot to scream my lungs out (or blast the airwaves with CW!). It doesn't seem to matter who's calling or who's being called. The DX station says "who's the Bravo Uniform?" If you're lucky enough to hear anyone else in the pile, they are typically calling without a single letter in their call corresponding to what he was looking for. The most perplexing part? Many of those you hear calling are what one might consider experienced, knowledgeable DXers who should know better.

I guess the craziness is contagious! Perhaps it's only solarfluxitis or lackasunspotsitis.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> , Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> It is OK, Zoli. For some reason the audio has just started to work.
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> I am not at all surprised by what I hear -- but I hear the same thing here

> also.
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> I absolutely agree with you. People are getting crazier!
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On
Behalf Of
> Zoli Pitman HA1AG
> Sent: Friday, October 16, 2009 11:43 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: [DX-IS] K4M zoo heard fm EU
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> Hello,
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> I'm convinced EU DXers have the highest proportion of idiots of all
> hobbygroups. This recording made on K4M freq is the proof:
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> www.hg6n.hu/ha1ag/misc/k4m_eu_zoo.mp3
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> Why should anybody arrange a DXpedition for these people? I would
fully
> understand the DX ops to keep working JA and NA and let EU whine -
forever.
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> zoli ha1ag
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> ps: this was made at 1430 GMT with a 2 ele HB9CV on 730m ASL.
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11395. K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 11:32:28 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11395 Message: 11395

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are always the ones that have worked it on a majority of the available slots ? I am not complaining, I think that given the conditions they have to work with there doing a Good job, NOT excellent but ok.
I managed to work them on 15,17 & 20 phone, and if it wasnt for the ASS qrming them I would have added 40 meters also.

just an observation.

Joey

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John Wayne

11396. Re: [DX-IS] K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 11:36:35 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 11395 Message: 11396

At 07:32 PM 19/10/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:

>is it just me ? why is it that the people that praise a DXpedition,

Because "The Amateur Is Courteous"

73, Alek
VK6APK

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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

11397. Re: [DX-IS] K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 11:41:39 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11395 Message: 11397

YEA ?

tell that guy on 40 meters that ! he used every curse word in the BOOK to describe DXing in general, and he spoke of there family heritage as well. but then again, I guess there are bad apples in every bunch. BOY I sure wish I could have feed that guy to the gators !

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Alek Petkovic
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:36 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M Midway

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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

11398. Re: [DX-IS] K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 11:58:10 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11395 Message: 11398

I think you would have seen more band/modes slots if they had more time. They did (IIRC) somewhere near 60,000 QSOs in about 6.5 days. I think that number is very high. We'll get detailed stats as the days progress, but looking at some of the zone combos, there are hams in Europe (the opposite side of the world who worked them 10 or 12) times.

If demand from the opposite side of the world can be met on 7 different bands, I believe they have succeeded.

73 Rich NN3W

----- Original Message -----
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 7:32 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] K4M Midway

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11399. Re: [DX-IS] K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 12:07:38 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11395 Message: 11399

NO doubt,

they have done a good job, I just wish I had an answer for the *^%$
that qrm them. maybe borrow a B-2 !! :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11400. Re: Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 12:24:34 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11387 Message: 11400

The comments on the Florida Contest Group reflector seem to indicate it was the lower bands (particularly 80M) that suffered from the impact of a plasma TV in the neighborhood.

Marsha and I have had our eye on a 55" LED - unbelievably awesome picture and about 1" thick. We figure if it causes RFI to our rigs, we'll just turn it off! hi hi

Art - N4PJ

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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11401. Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 12:31:25 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11395 Message: 11401

Incredible timing!

A couple of minutes ago on the cluster are the following announcements:

K6KOZ: Congratulations to the entire K4M Midway dxpedition crews for "A Job Well

K6KOZ: Job Well Done, K4M Dxpedition Crew. 73's

TI8II: K6KOZ i wonder if you say something if you dont working??

I guess the translation is "I stumbled around like a wuss and finally they heard my signal. What a great team." This is obviously the antithesis of "What a horrible dxpedition, these guys couldn't generate a QSO on a net!" (Meaning: boo-hoo, I haven't been able to work 'em!"

DX IS!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
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11402. Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 12:32:34 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11395 Message: 11402

This morning on 40 CW some jerk was send "UP" over and over and over and over...

Fortunately (even though I didn't get through), the signal from K4M was significantly louder than the QRMer.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
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> YEA ?
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> tell that guy on 40 meters that ! he used every curse word in the BOOK to describe DXing in general, and he spoke of there family heritage as well. but then again, I guess there are bad apples in every bunch. BOY I sure wish I could have feed that guy to the gators !
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> Joey
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Alek Petkovic
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:36 AM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M Midway
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> At 07:32 PM 19/10/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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> is it just me ? why is it that the people that praise a DXpedition,
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> 73, Alek
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> http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
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11403. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 12:35:43 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11395 Message: 11403

lmao !

EXACTLY !

:-)

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From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 7:31 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

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11404. Re: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 13:02:14 UTC
From: Willis H. Yule
Topic: 11387 Message: 11404

I have owned a plasma TV for seven years. My rig is within 30 feet of it and even when I use the amp there is no interconnecting problems or noise.

KA0KEL
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: cq-contest@... ; dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 8:39 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Plasma TV interference

I was trying to run the Illinois QSO party today and 40m was getting clobbered by something causing an S9 noise level. I wonder if it is a plasma TV in the area. Does anyone on the list have experience with this type of RFI? The interference I had was a buzzing/hash type noise that covered about 40khz of bandwidth. It would occassionally disappear for a few seconds and then come back. The 40khz of bandwidth that it did cover would move up or down the band slightly across time. Does this sound like plasma TV RFI, or does anyone have an idea of what could be causing a noise like this?

73s John AA5JG

11405. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 14:39:21 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11395 Message: 11405

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11406. Maybe Navassa

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 14:41:50 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11406 Message: 11406

I hope so ! I dont have that one at all either ! :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 9:39 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

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11407. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe Navassa

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 15:04:11 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11406 Message: 11407

I worked the last one but from conversations with newer DXer's I know there are an awful lot of people who don't have Navassa. BTW one of my cards is on the web! :-)

http://hamgallery.com/qsl/country/Navassa/nf6s.htm

I'd liek to get it on 80m, too. NF6S told me after the last one in 1993 that the QRN was so bad on 80 then that the only people they could work on that band were the really loud stations.

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11408. Re: [DX-IS] Maybe Navassa

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 15:10:31 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11406 Message: 11408

Congrats Zakkie - that's sure bettern seeing your call on a cluster .... ..

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11409. Comparative Results for Recent DX'peditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 15:17:27 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11395 Message: 11409

As K4M winds down with more than 60K Qs in less than seven days, the temptation to compare K4M to FT5GA is irresistible. I'm looking forward to the final stats for both operations, and I suspect that an analysis could be highly instructive to future operations. Of particular interest to me will be how the antipodes and difficult paths faired for both operations. Preliminary data strongly suggest that EU did much better with K4M than NA did with FT5GA.

As for the cops and jammer kids, it seems to me that the better the DX operators, the fewer the problems with the jammers. FT5GA got into trouble with the lids the first day by running a wide 20 meter pileup in the General portion of the band, disturbing many nets and creating havoc. They were sitting ducks after that.

Another observation, the DX'peditions that emphasize CW are less prone to lid interference than those emphasizing phone bands. K4M was blessed with several excellent CW ops.

Nelson, KU0A

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.21/2445 - Release Date: 10/19/09 06:40:00

11410. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 15:31:26 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11395 Message: 11410

Worked them this morning on 30m after about 5 minutes of calling. Good signal here also. It is amazing, though, how many people don't know how to work a pileup. On both 30 today and 40m on Thursday AM when I worked them the op had a very predictable pattern-find the station they just worked, slide down a little to just below the pile, and call. Many callers never figured this out and they would call on the same frequency the whole time even though K4M was listening down a few KHZ from where they were calling. Hope I didn't just give away my secret to all!

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11411. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 15:41:14 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11395 Message: 11411

I must've picked the wrong times to call them. I rapidly figured that pattern out but evidently so did many others with bigger signals than I had. Whenever they came back to someone else, he was always on the exact frequency I'd called them on.
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11412. Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 16:13:55 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11412 Message: 11412

Most of the discussion I see about verticals assumes ground mounting, and I guess that it is because of ease of installation. However, ground mounting also requires an extensive radial system. How do ground mounted verticals compare in performance to roof mounted verticals, say at a height of 20 feet or so, with 4 quarter wave radials per band?

Are most verticals ground mounted because they also perform better with such a mount? Or will a roof mounted vertical with the 1/4 wave radials be an equal or even better performer?

73s John AA5JG

11413. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 16:16:51 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11395 Message: 11413

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Very readable - for the first time here.
73 frank w0ecs woodstock ga

11414. RE: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 16:59:49 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11395 Message: 11414

Nice one, Frank! Congrats.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 1:17 PM
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Yahoo! Groups Links

11415. : K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 17:16:57 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11415 Message: 11415

way 2 go FRANK !

----- Original Message -----
From: Frank T Brady
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 11:16 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

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Very readable - for the first time here.
73 frank w0ecs woodstock ga

11416. Re: [DX-IS] : K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 17:18:52 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11415 Message: 11416

Wow, sounds great! And I hope to have my radio repaired for whatever is next! Hi!

7 3
Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

-----Original Message-----
From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...>
Date: Mon, 19 Oct 2009 12:16:57
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] : K4M Midway

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11417. Re: [DX-IS] Comparative Results for Recent DX'peditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 18:08:07 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11395 Message: 11417

----- Original Message -----
From: "Nelson Moyer" <ku0a@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 10:17 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Comparative Results for Recent DX'peditions

<As for the cops and jammer kids, it seems to me that the better the DX operators, the fewer the problems with the jammers. FT5GA got into trouble with the lids the first day by running a wide 20 meter pileup in the General portion of the band, disturbing many nets and creating havoc. They were sitting ducks after that.>

While I can not fault the FT5 guys too much, as they were not a hand picked DX team, I think your reasoning is absolutely correct, Nelson.

Win, W0LZ

11418. Re: [DX-IS] Comparative Results for Recent DX'peditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 18:10:33 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11395 Message: 11418

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Wow, that first post worked well!!!!!

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11419. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M zoo heard fm EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 18:12:19 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11337 Message: 11419

Hi Art,

Large difference between today and the old days. What is
going on today is not even close to "tail ending". Tail ending is
almost impossible today. In days of "olde" the QSO's had ID's and
people "tail ended" over the ID. Today when after the DX OP replies and
gives a call the station sends just 599 TU there is really no
opportunity to tail end.

On CW if a lot more stations used break in that almost all
of todays rigs are capable of that could help. As soon as the DX
station replied it would be heard and there would be a dramatic
improvement. My old TS930 and my K2 both have it and operate break in
with a modified SB220 so I can stop in the middle of my call.

Regarding the "programmed delay" in the response that may
still be a valid method. And Yes, I do it. If I observe the DX OP
having a typical 4 second response time I'll delay 3 seconds before
I'll dump my call in the pileup.

73,
Bob
K2TK ex KN2TKR (1955) and K2TKR

aburkefl wrote:
> What you describe is basically what used to be known as "tail ending." Over the years, there were a number of well-known dxpeditioners who despised tail ending. The theoretical secret to tail ending is/was to NOT send your call until the other station had at least exchanged reports. Too many stations these days just start sending their call as soon as the DX station comes back to that guy. All that does, obviously, is slow things down, clobber the QSO, etc.
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> Another old "trick" is/was instead of blasting out your call immediately, wait a small fraction of time (preferably something somewhat longer than a nanosecond!) and THEN send your call - there was a chance that 32 other stations had completed their call and yours will be in the clear. Of course, that same theory is why so many stations keep calling and calling and calling... - they're hoping to be the last station in the clear. Even with a relatively small number of stations calling, this most often results in a continuing cacophony that's hard to decipher.
>
> DXers have accidentally become their own worst enemy. The lack of discipline on virtually everyone's part just makes the whole process more difficult. It's ironic that most of what used to work did so before the days of the cluster! Statistically speaking, it just has to be because there were less people tuning on the appropriate frequency.
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> Art - N4PJ

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11420. 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 18:29:55 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11420 Message: 11420

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John Wayne

11421. Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 19:00:28 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11420 Message: 11421

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73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 10/19/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, October 19, 2009, 1:29 PM

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11422. Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 19:10:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11420 Message: 11422

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73, Zack W9SZ

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11423. Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 19:30:13 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11420 Message: 11423

Zack,

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they were licensed before WW II..... however, I lost the last of them last year. I sure miss those guys.

Joey
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From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 2:10 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday

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11424. Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 19:44:11 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11420 Message: 11424

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> Joey
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> *From:* Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Monday, October 19, 2009 2:10 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday
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11425. Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 19:48:26 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11420 Message: 11425

Actually there is nothing in the rules that prohibit contests from the WARC bands. That was just an ARRL decision that seemed to catch on with the other contest sponsors.

73s John AA5JG

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 19:49:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11420 Message: 11426

I modified my FT101B to get on 30 meters soon after it was released as well! It will really be progress when 30, 17, and 12 don't get any special name-just seen as other HF bands. And where does 60m fall in since it isn't a WARC band? It is the real "new band"

73s John AA5JG

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Date: Monday, October 19, 2009, 2:44 PM

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 19:52:44 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11420 Message: 11427

I just wanted to relate --

My Elmer used to tell me stories of operating spark on banana bats in and out of South America. Pretty interesting stuff. Later he worked for Consolidated-Vultee.

I am incredibly fortunate to have his bug. I haven't put it on the air yet - but I will!

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Earl

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11428. Re: 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 20:12:32 UTC
From: earl_needham
Topic: 11420 Message: 11428

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Earl Needham" <earl.kd5xb@...> wrote:
> banana bats

Make that banana BOATS. Not sure fruit bats would do the job! Hi!

Earl

11429. Re: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 20:44:23 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11420 Message: 11429

Zack,

Jack W5KGI was on OLD Navy radio man he had two artificial hips from the Princeton, (Kamazakie) he would DRINK smoke Curse & copy code @ 40 wpm on two radios at the same time.

:-) Joey
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11430. date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 21:47:44 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11430 Message: 11430

ok--K4M is qrt and I got 'em

however.......my contacts were 1100z on the 18th, and 2245z on the 18th

Because of the prox of the date-line......

are they really on the 18th, 19th, or even the 17th.

Date line has always been confusioning for me, and I don't want to screw this one up

this old phart does have that AAADD syndrome also (age, activated, attention, deficit, disorder)

TIA

Dale K8TS

11431. RE: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 22:04:05 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11430 Message: 11431

If you logged them in UTC (zulu), then there is no conversion. They are using UTC, too.

Nelson, KU0A

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 4:48 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

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Dale K8TS

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.21/2445 - Release Date: 10/19/09 06:40:00

11432. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 22:04:41 UTC
From: Tim / NOØC
Topic: 11430 Message: 11432

Dale,

Feel assured you can't screw it up.

The date/time is the same anywhere on this planet. That's why we use UTC/GMT/Zulu time.

73,

Tim, NOØC

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11433. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11433

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 19 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 292 Issued at 2200Z on 19 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the period (20 - 22 October).
III. Event Probabilities 20 Oct-22 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 Oct 071
Predicted 20 Oct-22 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 19 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 Oct 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 Oct 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 Oct-22 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 Oct-22 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11434. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 22:06:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11430 Message: 11434

At 06:47 PM 10/19/2009, you wrote:

>ok--K4M is qrt and I got 'em
>
>however.......my contacts were 1100z on the 18th, and 2245z on the 18th
>
>Because of the prox of the date-line......
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>are they really on the 18th, 19th, or even the 17th.
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>this old phart does have that AAADD syndrome also (age, activated,
>attention, deficit, disorder)
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>TIA
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>Dale K8TS

Dale,

Z = UTC = GMT = all the same and all on the 18th regardless of
their proximity to the International Date Line. You should be OK as
long as you keep it in UTC.

73, Paul VE1DX

11435. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 22:26:45 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11430 Message: 11435

Thanks Guys

And thanks for remembering the old GMT (Goat's Milking Time)   :)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:06:20 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

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11436. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 22:33:30 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11430 Message: 11436

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73, Zack W9SZ

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11437. USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 23:19:11 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11437 Message: 11437

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11438. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 23:43:03 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 11437 Message: 11438

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Frosty
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To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:19 PM
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11439. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 23:45:07 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11437 Message: 11439

Don't forget ARROGANT as well.

Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

-----Original Message-----
From: "Frosty" <frosty1@pdq.net>
Date: Mon, 19 Oct 2009 18:43:03
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

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11440. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 23:50:39 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 11437 Message: 11440

forgot they don't speak English

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frosty1@...
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----- Original Message -----
From: Earl Needham
To: DX-IS
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:45 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

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From: "Frosty" <frosty1@...>
Date: Mon, 19 Oct 2009 18:43:03 -0500
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

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11441. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-19 23:40:45 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11430 Message: 11441

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Both are FREE applications. I still call it GMT...

73 de Rene
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From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 3:33 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

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11442. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 00:03:08 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11430 Message: 11442

10 meg works too

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 7:40:45 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

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73, Zack W9SZ

11443. RE: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 00:22:39 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11437 Message: 11443

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: frosty1@...
Date: Mon, 19 Oct 2009 18:50:39 -0500
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

forgot they don't speak English

Charles F. Frost
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----- Original Message -----
From:
Earl
Needham
To: DX-IS
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:45
PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC
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From: "Frosty" <frosty1@...>
Date: Mon, 19 Oct 2009 18:43:03 -0500
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

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11444. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 00:20:21 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11430 Message: 11444

10 meg's might work where you live but out here on the Left Coast we don't have that kinda propagation...
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 5:03 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

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----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 7:40:45 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

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Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.21/2445 - Release Date: 10/19/09 06:40:00

11445. [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 01:15:52 UTC
From: kw3w
Topic: 11437 Message: 11445

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http://www.usps.com/cpim/ftp/bulletin/2009/pb22267/pdf/pb22267.pdf

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From: Frosty
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 7:43 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

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To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:19 PM
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11446. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 01:52:21 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11437 Message: 11446

Dick, as an aside, please don't use such big words as 'vituperation' making me google it to find out what it means. 'Crap' wudda done just as well.

hi skool dropout rene
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 5:22 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

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From: Earl Needham
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Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.21/2445 - Release Date: 10/19/09 06:40:00

11447. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 02:21:00 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11437 Message: 11447

At 04:19 PM 10/19/2009, Dick W1KSZ wrote:
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This might be what you were looking for, courtesy of Duane WV2B:

Here are the instructions provided by a POS clerk who knows how to
redeem IRCs. Take these instructions when you go to the PO to discuss
with PM/clerk:

1. Stamps & Mdse
2. Exchange
3. Redeem Foreign IRCS
4. Enter .98 (cost of the stamp)
5. Scan and sell 1 international .98 stamp
6. the balance owed will show 0

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11448. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 04:10:09 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 11437 Message: 11448

Last time IRC's expired, I took all of mine (about 100) in to our local USPS, after making an appointment with the postmaster, telling him how many I had and asking to exchange them. There was no problem doing it this way since he was very knowledgeable on IRCs or at least had time to check the International Mail Manual.

When I called and asked to speak to the postmaster I asked him should I just take them to the window or what? He said no, most window clerks probably don't know what an IRC was (and our window clerks know me too), but he was thoroughly familiar with IRCs and asked me what time would be convenient with me to bring them in for exchange. Again the postmaster asked me when it would be convenient for me, not him.

That was what I call service

Tom, WW5L,
ex FS/WW5L, PJ7/WW5L
C91TL, 7P8TA, G0/WW5L, V31EF

--- On Mon, 10/19/09, Frosty <frosty1@...> wrote:

From: Frosty <frosty1@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, October 19, 2009, 6:50 PM

forgot they don't speak English

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From: Earl Needham
To: DX-IS
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:45 PM
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11449. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 04:16:55 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 11437 Message: 11449

You can usually find the name of the local postmaster at the USPS web site. First locate the USPS facility for your ZIP code, then click on location and that should give you the name of the postmaster or person in charge, plus a local phone number (not the 1-800 number listed in the phone book), and as I did call and ask them about exchange/redeeming IRCs.

"Most" postmasters have been with the USPS long enough to know about how to redeem them.

Tom, WW5L

Anderson <andersonww5l@...> wrote:

From: Tom Anderson <andersonww5l@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, October 19, 2009, 11:10 PM

Last time IRC's expired, I took all of mine (about 100) in to our local USPS, after making an appointment with the postmaster, telling him how many I had and asking to exchange them. There was no problem doing it this way since he was very knowledgeable on IRCs or at least had time to check the International Mail Manual.

When I called and asked to speak to the postmaster I asked him should I just take them to the window or what? He said no, most window clerks probably don't know what an IRC was (and our window clerks know me too), but he was thoroughly familiar with IRCs and asked me what time would be convenient with me to bring them in for exchange. Again the postmaster asked me when it would be convenient for me, not him.

That was what I call service

Tom, WW5L,
ex FS/WW5L, PJ7/WW5L
C91TL, 7P8TA, G0/WW5L, V31EF

--- On Mon, 10/19/09, Frosty <frosty1@...> wrote:

From: Frosty <frosty1@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, October 19, 2009, 6:50 PM

forgot they don't speak English

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: Earl Needham
To: DX-IS
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:45 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Don't forget ARROGANT as well.

Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups. yahoo.com/ group/cw_ bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

From: "Frosty" <frosty1@pdq. net>
Date: Mon, 19 Oct 2009 18:43:03 -0500
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

I had the same thing happen to me Saturday. I thought my 7th and 8th grade students were dumb. The Post Office employees are not only DUMB but STUPID and IGNORANT. Just like the rest of the government folks.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty
frosty1@pdq. net
http://www.africand xsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:19 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Someone posted the procedure the Postal Clerk uses to exchange IRC's.

I filed it (really !!), but so good I can't find it.

Can someone kindly post it again ? I got the "Thousand Yard" stare today !!

Thanks,

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.22/2446 - Release Date: 10/19/09 14:33:00

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Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.22/2446 - Release Date: 10/19/09 14:33:00

11450. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 04:19:25 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11437 Message: 11450

At 09:10 PM 10/19/2009, Tom Anderson wrote:
>That was what I call service

I did the same thing. At larger post offices in the US you don't necessarily have to take it up with the Postmaster. I called the Counter Supervisor before I came in and, given a few day's notice, she was well prepared for me, too.

Just don't hit a poor counter clerk with them cold. It's bad enough they are supposed to know the entire Domestic Mail Manual, but the whole International Mail Manual, too? Give them a break.

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11451. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 04:25:47 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 11437 Message: 11451

Dick:

Colleyville has only maybe 25,000 residents and is completely landlocked by other cities in the Dallas-Fort Worth area so it was easy to see the postmaster no problem. He said if I had IRCs to redeem in the future, just call him and he'd take care of it, again that was service.

Tom, WW5L
Colleyville TX

--- On Mon, 10/19/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

> From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Monday, October 19, 2009, 11:19 PM
> At 09:10 PM 10/19/2009, Tom Anderson
> wrote:
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> Dick
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> Dick Flanagan K7VC
> dick@...
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> Yahoo! Groups Links

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> mailto:DX-IS-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com
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11452. RE: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 05:07:03 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11437 Message: 11452

That's it,

Thanks,

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: dick@...
> Date: Mon, 19 Oct 2009 19:21:00 -0700
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange
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> At 04:19 PM 10/19/2009, Dick W1KSZ wrote:
> >Someone posted the procedure the Postal Clerk uses to exchange IRC's.
>
> This might be what you were looking for, courtesy of Duane WV2B:
>
> Here are the instructions provided by a POS clerk who knows how to
> redeem IRCs. Take these instructions when you go to the PO to discuss
> with PM/clerk:
>
> 1. Stamps & Mdse
> 2. Exchange
> 3. Redeem Foreign IRCS
> 4. Enter .98 (cost of the stamp)
> 5. Scan and sell 1 international .98 stamp
> 6. the balance owed will show 0
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> Dick
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> Dick Flanagan K7VC
> dick@...
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11453. RE: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 06:12:51 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11395 Message: 11453

Called them for hours on the low bands and they were a cracking signal last night on 40, but nada.

Oh well, I'll wait for the next team. Happy to have worked them on SSB and CW. RTTY will be next time.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Monday, 19 October 2009 8:33 PM
To: DX-IS@...m
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

This morning on 40 CW some jerk was send "UP" over and over and over and over...

Fortunately (even though I didn't get through), the signal from K4M was significantly louder than the QRMer.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> , "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
>
> YEA ?
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> tell that guy on 40 meters that ! he used every curse word in the BOOK to describe DXing in general, and he spoke of there family heritage as well. but then again, I guess there are bad apples in every bunch. BOY I sure wish I could have feed that guy to the gators !
>
> Joey
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Alek Petkovic
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 6:36 AM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M Midway
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> At 07:32 PM 19/10/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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> is it just me ? why is it that the people that praise a DXpedition,

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> Because "The Amateur Is Courteous"
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> 73, Alek
> VK6APK
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> are always the ones that have worked it on a majority of the available
slots ? I am not complaining, I think that given the conditions they
have to work with there doing a Good job, NOT excellent but ok.
> I managed to work them on 15,17 & 20 phone, and if it wasnt for the
ASS qrming them I would have added 40 meters also.
>
> just an observation.
>
> Joey
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> A.R.S. W5TFW
> Richard J. Fiero II
> www.w5tfw.com
> www.6mt.com
>
> Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !
>
> John Wayne
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> http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
> http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py
>

11454. Not currently DX but very futreistic!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 08:58:50 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11454 Message: 11454

>
>> Hello All,
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>> I came across these two links by way of Twitter and Slashdot this morning
>> regarding the interesting idea that the University of Missouri has
>> developed. A battery the size of a penny, producing a fractionally small
>> amount of power over the course of decades, which could be scaled to
>> megawatt levels with enough research (according to the US Navy). This
>> isn't
>> your typical fission reaction taking place either. It's called "cold
>> fission" (as opposed to cold fusion which is still a dream). There are no
>> gamma rays emitted, and we're talking very low level energy emissions.
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>> http://bit.ly/1TkUGO
>> http://bit.ly/418cHw
>> http://bit.ly/15RrR7 (same as link#2 but with some additional quotes from
>> Kwon, one of the sicentists working on the project).
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>> Given the small amount of power from such a battery (16.2nW), I have to
>> agree with some of the Slashdot posters that this wouldn't be a very
>> practical amount just yet, but it would allow you to trickle charge
>> devices.
>> Think about a digital watch, in a future revision, you could run the
>> chronometer in a low power state, and in the meantime, it could charge a
>> capacitor or battery to power LCD and back light when necessary.
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11455. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 11:50:56 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11395 Message: 11455
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi Lance,

Too bad you didn't make it. Interestingly enough I heard the call of one of the K4M ops "breaking the pileup" several times. His home QTH is 30 miles from here. Yeah it's legal. The moral is if you need KP1, go there and work your home station.

I don't know what it was, but it was much more difficult than expected to get across from the East Coast. 20M should have been a chip shot but they were always weak. Only occasionally they were reasonably loud on other bands.

160M was nearly impossible. Those darn western US stations kept getting in the way. That band has become like any other these days. Too many guys with too much real estate and $$ for big antennas and high powered rigs. There seems to be no correlation between wealth and good operating skills.

73 de Brian/K3KO

Lance Martin wrote:
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> last night on 40, but nada.
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> Oh well, I'll wait for the next team. Happy to have worked them on SSB
> and CW. RTTY will be next time.
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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11456. Re: Comparative Results for Recent DX'peditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 12:18:34 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11395 Message: 11456

Any comparisons between K4M and FT5GA should be tempered significantly by factors you're already aware of:

(1) K4M was sitting on a giant frisbee in the middle of the Pacific - takeoff angles were good in any direction
(1A) - The FT5GA crew was told where they had to set up. They were forced to establish their stations in less-than-optimum locations. Takeoff angles to NA were severely restricted.
(2) The crew on K4M were all volunteers, many of whom have reasonably impressive credentials
(2A) - The FT5GA crew consisted of four French army men who happen to be amateur radio operators. Whether experienced or not, their desire to get the job done was what made the trip come off in the first place.
(3) The crew of K4M was there exclusively for a dxpedition and consisted of between 2 to 3 times the size of the FT5GA boys.
(3A) - 4 army guys whose primary function there was military

I'll bet there are other considerations as well - the power restrictions demanded of FT5GA, for example.

I consider myself fortunate to have been able to work anything at all from the FT5GA group. Maybe one day the French economy will collapse and they'll need to sell Glorioso. You can buy it and organize your own dxpedition.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson Moyer" <ku0a@...> wrote:
>
> As K4M winds down with more than 60K Qs in less than seven days, the
> temptation to compare K4M to FT5GA is irresistible. I'm looking forward to
> the final stats for both operations, and I suspect that an analysis could be
> highly instructive to future operations. Of particular interest to me will
> be how the antipodes and difficult paths faired for both operations.
> Preliminary data strongly suggest that EU did much better with K4M than NA
> did with FT5GA.
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> As for the cops and jammer kids, it seems to me that the better the DX
> operators, the fewer the problems with the jammers. FT5GA got into trouble
> with the lids the first day by running a wide 20 meter pileup in the General
> portion of the band, disturbing many nets and creating havoc. They were
> sitting ducks after that.
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> Another observation, the DX'peditions that emphasize CW are less prone to
> lid interference than those emphasizing phone bands. K4M was blessed with
> several excellent CW ops.
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> Nelson, KU0A
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> Version: 8.5.422 / Virus Database: 270.14.21/2445 - Release Date: 10/19/09
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11457. Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 12:22:39 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11412 Message: 11457

I'll offer two viewpoints:

Not too long ago, I heard an address by a well-known multi-station owner/operator. He said for a number of years he utilized an elevated vertical with few radials. He further stated that he now recommends that for all his competitors. That recommendation came after he ground-mounted another vertical with lots of radials.

Commercial AM installations are all ground mounted and typically with 120 radials (one every three degrees). Studies indicate these radials make the ground look like it's made of metal. If an elevated radial worked as well or better, why wouldn't more commercial installations have the feedpoint elevated and a lot less radials?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
>
> Most of the discussion I see about verticals assumes ground mounting, and I guess that it is because of ease of installation. However, ground mounting also requires an extensive radial system. How do ground mounted verticals compare in performance to roof mounted verticals, say at a height of 20 feet or so, with 4 quarter wave radials per band?
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> Are most verticals ground mounted because they also perform better with such a mount? Or will a roof mounted vertical with the 1/4 wave radials be an equal or even better performer?
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> 73s John AA5JG
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11458. Re: 17 meters yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 12:28:19 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11420 Message: 11458

Yes, 12, 17 and 30 meters were the bands granted via the World Administrative Radio Coference (WARC - hence WARC bands) in 1979. If I remember correctly, they were not all instituted at the same time.

After a long absence from the air (1988 - 2003) I was quite surprised (and pleased) to hear DXCC permission granted for those bands while I was absent. Oh yeah, around the same time DXCC was permitted, CQ allowed the bands for WPX awards.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> Maybe the person was old enough to be losing some of his mental faculties
> and doesn't know what the difference between a contest and a special event
> station is. I know of nothing that prohibits special event stations from the
> "WARC" bands.
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> I'm an "oldtimer." I got my Novice in 1967, my General in 1968 and my Extra
> in 1971. And I'm active (somewhat at least) on all bands from 160 meters
> thru 3 cm.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Mon, Oct 19, 2009 at 2:00 PM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> > > What a Jabroni! First off, KL5O wasn't in any contests, so don't know
> > > what his problem was. Plus, if he is a real oldtimer, he wouldn't be on 17m
> > > anyways since we didn't get that band until 1989.
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> > > 73s John AA5JG
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> > > --- On *Mon, 10/19/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>*wrote:
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> > > From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
> > > Subject: [DX-IS] 17 meters yesterday
> > > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > > Date: Monday, October 19, 2009, 1:29 PM
> > >
> > > Yesterday,
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> > > KL5O was on 18.145 for the Alaskan Anniversary. there was an
> > > OLDTIMER,... .... that kept on trying to cover him up and kept repeating

> > that 17 meters wasnt for contests. he didnt do any REAL damage but he sure
> > did try !
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> > Joey
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11459. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Comparative Results for Recent DX'peditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 13:11:37 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11395 Message: 11459

The circumstances surrounding their being there were also different. For Glorioso, it is an inhabited island but it happens to be inhabited by the French military and they evidently will only give permission for military personnel to operate there. It probably didn't cost the operators a whole lot of money to do the operation. A single person might be given permission to operate from there next month for all we know, and he might stay for months. I believe something like that was the case with FR5HG many years ago.

For Midway, it is not inhabited and is controlled by the US Fish & Wildlife Service. They are probably more stringent on who gets permission to go there than the French military in the case of the FR islands. It is also very expensive for each operator to make the trip. We might not see another operation from there for another 10 years.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 7:18 AM, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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11460. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 13:14:23 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11412 Message: 11460

He "recommends that for all his competitors" ... maybe it DOESN'T work so well! A good way to make your competitors have a lower score than you. :-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 7:22 AM, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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> I'll offer two viewpoints:
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> Not too long ago, I heard an address by a well-known multi-station
> owner/operator. He said for a number of years he utilized an elevated
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11461. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 13:35:07 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11412 Message: 11461

At 10:14 AM 10/20/2009, you wrote:

>He "recommends that for all his competitors" ... maybe it DOESN'T
>work so well! A good way to make your competitors have a lower score than you.
>:-)
>
>73, Zack W9SZ

Well, I think everyone besides me ought to use an MFJ-1798. 10
bands with no radials. This thing is a DXer's dream. It's a one
call pileup buster because of the low take-off angle:

http://www.mfjenterprises.com/Product.php?productid=MFJ-1798

It looks nice too. Click on the picture for a larger
view. What DXer wouldn't be proud to have on in his front yard?

73, Paul VE1DX

11462. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 14:12:04 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11412 Message: 11462

Wow, I'll bet I can even win the QRP-Portable entry category in VHF contests
on 6 and 2 with that!
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 8:35 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> At 10:14 AM 10/20/2009, you wrote:
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> >He "recommends that for all his competitors" ... maybe it DOESN'T
> >work so well! A good way to make your competitors have a lower score than
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> >:-)
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> >73, Zack W9SZ
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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11463. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 14:34:15 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11412 Message: 11463

And it isn't even as ugly as a Gap antenna, but then what antenna is?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 10/20/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2009, 9:12 AM

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11464. 4U1UN question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 14:36:54 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11464 Message: 11464

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73s John AA5JG

11465. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 14:39:20 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11412 Message: 11465

Speaking of these types of antennas, remember the Uni-Hat? Do they still make those things? How well did they perform on 160?

They seemed kind of overpriced to me but I may have to get creative and put together something similar if I want to get on 160 from home.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 9:34 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

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> And it isn't even as ugly as a Gap antenna, but then what antenna is?
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On *Tue, 10/20/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>* wrote:
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> From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2009, 9:12 AM
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> Wow, I'll bet I can even win the QRP-Portable entry category in VHF
> contests on 6 and 2 with that!
> :-)
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 8:35 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.
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11466. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 15:20:57 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 11395 Message: 11466

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Dick K8ZTT

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From: Brian Alsop
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2009 5:50 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

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11467. Re: [DX-IS] USPS Info: re: IRC Exchange

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 15:24:46 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11437 Message: 11467

I don't know how many times I asked a counter clerk for IRCs and they told me IRCs had been discontinued! HI!

Seriously, calling the Postmaster or OIC seems like the better way to do it.

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

11468. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 16:22:07 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 11430 Message: 11468

On Mon, Oct 19, 2009 at 8:40 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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> Zakkie - I thought we all used atomic clocks to calibrate our computer
> clocks, etc.
> I use for the desktop aclock.exe from Alpha Clock which when Googled will
> give several links and description, and the computer is set by AtomTime Pro
> found at www.*atomtime*.com/ <http://www.atomtime.com/> Both are FREE
> applications. I still call it GMT...
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> 73 de Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Monday, October 19, 2009 3:33 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion
>
> That's why we use UTC. It was once called Greenwich Mean Time because it's
> based on the time at Greenwich Observatory in England. So I can note my time
> in UTC and send it on my QSL to anyone in the world who also logs in UTC and
> we should have the same date and time logged, plus or minus small errors in
> clock time. (We don't all use "atomic clocks"!)
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I have never bothered to use anything but the built in features of WinXP.
It sets the clock with time.windows.com once a week. However it is trival to
change it to the time server of your choice. I use time.nrc.ca the source
for CHU and a simple reg edit changes the frequency that the time is set to
once/hour. By doingit that way I don't have software running in the
background the uses system resources and memory. Check out the
Configuring the Windows Time service to use an external time source section
in http://support.microsoft.com/kb/314054

Hope it helps

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

11469. Re: [DX-IS] Re: K4M Midway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 16:45:53 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11395 Message: 11469

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A.R.S. W5TFW
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www.6mt.com
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11470. ARLD041 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 18:13:28 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6519 Message: 11470

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DX Bulletin 41 ARLD041
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 15, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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MIDWAY ISLAND, K4M. The K4M operation is in full swing. Suggested frequencies are: 28475, 28024, 28080, 24945, 24894, 21295, 21024, 21080, 18145, 18074, 18100, 14200, 14024, 14080, 10104, 10140, 7078, 7004, 7040, 3799, 3504, 1826.5, 50115, 50115 kHz. See the K4M web site for QSL information.

UNITED NATIONS, 4U. 4U1UN Activity Week will be held October 19 to 25 with operations on all bands and modes with an international team of DX and contest operators. Activity will be from 1200-0400Z each day. All-night activity is planned for October 23 and 24. They will also be active in the CQ WW SSB Contest in the two transmitter M2 category. QSL via HB9BOU.

MONTENEGRO, 4O. Tonno, ES5TV will be active as 4O3A during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via 4O3A, direct or by the LoTW.

SRI LANKA, 4S. Operators Heinz, DL1IH and Salvo, DH7SA are expected to be active as 4S7AAG and 4S7SAG, respectively, during a holiday DXpedition sometime in October.

ISRAEL, 4X. Yoshi, JE2EHP will be active as 4X/K1HP from Tel Aviv and Jerusalem between October 29 and November 5. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to his home call sign, JE2EHP.

CYPRUS, 5B. John, G4IRN will be QRV as 5B/G4IRN from November 27 to 30. Activity will include the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW or via G4IRN.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Jim, G3VDB will be active as 8Q7EJ from Vilamendhoo Island (AS-013) until October 25. Activity will be holiday style and subject to hotel permission and local conditions. Look for operations on CW, RTTY, PSK31 and possibly SSB. He will use 100 watts into wire antennas. QSL via his home call sign.

CUBA, CM2. Frank, CM2IR is on 40 meters using BPSK31 on 7035 kHz. He is also on SSB around 7150 and 7170 kHz. QSL via EB7DX, with 2 USDs or IRCs.

MOROCCO, CN. Jim, W7EJ will be active as CN2R during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via W7EJ.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Mauri, OH2BYS will be QRV as EA8CMX from Galdar, Isla de Gran Canaria during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He is testing wire yagis/beverages on lower bands. QSL via OH2BYS.

CEUTA AND MELILLA, EA9. A group of Spanish operators will be active as EE9Z during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-2 or Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA9LZ.

IRELAND, EI. Marc, W4MPS will be active as EI/W4MPS from County Cork until 26. Most of the time he will be in Grid IO52, although he may also travel to IO42 and IO51. Marc uses a FT-60R at 5 watts and an Arrow antenna on AO-51.

SAINT MARTIN, FS. Craig, AH8DX will be active as FS/AH8DX starting October 22. Activity will include the CQ WW DX Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Operations outside of the contest will be on 160 and 80 meters using CW and SSB. Look for 40 meter RTTY also. QSL via AH8DX direct or via LoTW. Craig may also be active as PJ7/AH8DX from St. Maarten.

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS, HC8. A group of the contesters from Quito Radio Club will be active as HC8N from Isla de San Cristobal during the CQ WW DX CW Contest as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via W5UE.

PANAMA, HP. Members of the Radio Club de Panama, HP1RCP, will be active during the 2009 JOTA event, October 17 and 18, from Panama City, Panama, Colegio La Salle assisting Troop 4.

TRINDADE ISLAND, ZY0. The RioDXGroup, with ops PY1NB, PY1ON, PY1YB and PY1ZV will be QRV as ZY0T from October 17 to 20. QSL via PY1NB, direct only.

GUINEA-BISSAU, J5. Jose, CT1DSV will be active as J5S until October 18. QSL via home call sign.

GUERNSEY, MU. Gerhard, OE3GEA will be active as MU/OE3GEA between October 27 and 29. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and low power only. QSL via home call sign, direct or by the Bureau.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. OH0Z will be QRV in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via W0MM.

TURKEY, TC1. Members of the TRAC Istanbul Branch (TA1KB) will activate their new club station using the special call sign TC1IEM between October 16 and 18, for the Istanbul Eurasia Marathon. QSL via the TA Bureau is preferred, or direct to TA1KB.

ICELAND, TF. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest and the CQ WW DX CW Contest as Single-Op/Single-Band 40 meter entries. QSL via LX1NO.

The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: FT5GA, Glorioso Island - 2009 Operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Fall VHF Sprints, Great Pumpkin Sprint, JARTS WW RTTY Contest, QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party, Iowa QSO Party, Stew Perry Warmup Contest, Worked All Germany Contest, W/VE Islands QSO Party, 10-10-10 Feld-Hell Sprint and the Asia-Pacific Sprint are all on tap for this weekend. The Illinois QSO Party is October 19. Please see October QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details.
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11471. Re: [DX-IS] 4U1UN question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 19:37:44 UTC
From: OE8SOQ Helmut
Topic: 11464 Message: 11471

Hello John and the group,

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2009/4u1un_activity_week.htm

there is some description of the current operations.

AFAIK they are directly under ITU-regulations (for the region they are in), wherever one of the UN-stations is operable. Also see 4U1VIC (Vienna) and 4U1ITU (Geneva)

73 de Helmut
OE8SOQ + DG7DXX

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From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
To: <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2009 4:36 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] 4U1UN question

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11472. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11472

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 20 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 293 Issued at 2200Z on 20 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
New Region 1028 (N26E51) was numbered. Region 1028 was a small
single-spot A-type group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 19/2100Z to 20/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the period (21 - 23 October).
III. Event Probabilities 21 Oct-23 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 20 Oct 071
Predicted 21 Oct-23 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 20 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 19 Oct 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 20 Oct 001/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 21 Oct-23 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 21 Oct-23 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11473. ZY0T DXpedition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 22:30:29 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11473 Message: 11473

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11474. Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-20 22:42:40 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11412 Message: 11474

John

One antenna I use is a BigIR Vertical. First time I used it was on top of Sugarload mountain in Maine (4300ft) for a RTTY contest. Laid down ground radials and couldn't tune the antenna. Finally got it to run with a huge common mode coke.

Basic problem was that given the granite & elevation the ground radials were acting like elevated radials. Once we could tune it, it worked great. (not a beam but did the job)

When I installed it in my back yard I also put it on top of a 30ft rock ledge. What I did was put down a ground screen of about 60-quarter wave wires on the lowest frequency (40m) They are just there to enhance ground conductivity. Then I installed 2 sloping elevated radials for each of the 8 bands I operate on and tuned them to 1.1-1.2 SWR.

Works like a champ..no tuner needed.

Alway wanted to try this over a metal roof but the logistics were to much to manage for me.

Regards

Bob KB1JZU

11475. Re: [DX-IS] ZY0T DXpedition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 02:30:24 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11473 Message: 11475

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11476. Wrong Zone in K4M Log Prop Summary

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 02:33:11 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 11476 Message: 11476

I just noticed that since the last K4M log update, the tenth call areas (zeros) are given zone 5 leader board and prop data instead of zone 4. Hopefully, whoever is responsible for the page will fix the problem and put the zeros back in zone 4.

Nelson, KU0A

11477. RE: [DX-IS] ZY0T DXpedition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 03:19:36 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11473 Message: 11477

I have 6 different QSOs with PY0T, including three with PY0TUP from whom I have never received a QSL for our QSOs in April, May and June of 1994. My two confirmations are on 20M CW & SSB, and
there has never been a response from PY0T/PY2TG from 1989.

In general, I find that it is extremely difficult to get any cards out of Brazil.

I heard ZY0T only one night when he was strong enough to call on 40M CW. However, even though I could hear him, he didn't hear me through the pile-up.

Another day, another time.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
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Date: 2009-10-19 22:10:13 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11430 Message: 11478

Dale,
I don't think you (we) can screw it up unless we try to get creative.
IMHO, the GMT time and date of the QSO from our perspective is what
should be in our log and on our qsls.
It's the DX responsibility to find that date in their logs.
Since I'm wrong more than right on many things - this is just my take on
the issue.
73,
frank w0ecs

Dale Cole K8TS wrote:
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> ok--K4M is qrt and I got 'em
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> however.......my contacts were 1100z on the 18th, and 2245z on the 18th
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> Because of the prox of the date-line......
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> are they really on the 18th, 19th, or even the 17th.
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> Date line has always been confusioning for me, and I don't want to
> screw this one up
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> this old phart does have that AAADD syndrome also (age, activated,
> attention, deficit, disorder)
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> Dale K8TS
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11479. Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 11:41:23 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11412 Message: 11479

Ah! Your keen sense for the obvious is as sharp as my own! hi hi

Yes, that's it in a nutshell. His experience indicates his opinion that the full-blown radial concept works much better. In his book Low Band DXing, ON4UN also espouses the full-blown radial instead of the elevated radial concept.

I think it's a little like the argument that you can load a 50-ohm resistor, but it might not radiate very well!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> He "recommends that for all his competitors" ... maybe it DOESN'T work so
> well! A good way to make your competitors have a lower score than you.
> :-)
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 7:22 AM, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:
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> > > I'll offer two viewpoints:
> > >
> > > Not too long ago, I heard an address by a well-known multi-station
> > > owner/operator. He said for a number of years he utilized an elevated
> > > vertical with few radials. He further stated that he now recommends that for
> > > all his competitors. That recommendation came after he ground-mounted
> > > another vertical with lots of radials.
> > >
> > > Commercial AM installations are all ground mounted and typically with 120
> > > radials (one every three degrees). Studies indicate these radials make the
> > > ground look like it's made of metal. If an elevated radial worked as well or
> > > better, why wouldn't more commercial installations have the feedpoint
> > > elevated and a lot less radials?
> > >
> > > Art - N4PJ
> > >
> > > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, John Geiger
> > > <aa5jg@> wrote:
> > > >
> > > > Most of the discussion I see about verticals assumes ground mounting, and
> > > I guess that it is because of ease of installation. However, ground mounting
> > > also requires an extensive radial system. How do ground mounted verticals
> > > compare in performance to roof mounted verticals, say at a height of 20 feet

> > or so, with 4 quarter wave radials per band?
> > >
> > > Are most verticals ground mounted because they also perform better with
> > such a mount? Or will a roof mounted vertical with the 1/4 wave radials be
> > an equal or even better performer?
> > >
> > > 73s John AA5JG
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11480. Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 11:43:31 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11412 Message: 11480

I had a GAP Titan for a while. Not a single one of my amateur friends thought it was aesthetically pleasing, in fact, they all stated it definitely was ugly! It was also a PITA to assemble.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
>
> And it isn't even as ugly as a Gap antenna, but then what antenna is?
>
> 73s John AA5JG
>
> --- On Tue, 10/20/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
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> From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2009, 9:12 AM
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> Wow, I'll bet I can even win the QRP-Portable entry category in VHF contests on 6 and 2 with that!
> :-)
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 8:35 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx. net> wrote:
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> At 10:14 AM 10/20/2009, you wrote:
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> >He "recommends that for all his competitors" ... maybe it DOESN'T
> >work so well! A good way to make your competitors have a lower score than you.

> >:-)
> >
> >73, Zack W9SZ
>
> Well, I think everyone besides me ought to use an MFJ-1798. 10
> bands with no radials. This thing is a DXer's dream. It's a one
> call pileup buster because of the low take-off angle:
>
> http://www.mfjenter prises.com/ Product.php? productid= MFJ-1798
>
> It looks nice too. Click on the picture for a larger
> view. What DXer wouldn't be proud to have on in his front yard?
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

11481. Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 11:44:41 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11412 Message: 11481

The first thing that came to my mind is the Isotron.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
>
> Speaking of these types of antennas, remember the Uni-Hat? Do they still
> make those things? How well did they perform on 160?
>
> They seemed kind of overpriced to me but I may have to get creative and put
> together something similar if I want to get on 160 from home.
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
>
> On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 9:34 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> >
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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net<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=list_dx@...>
> > > wrote:
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11482. Re: Ground mounting vs roof mounting verticals

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 11:54:20 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11412 Message: 11482

K9OM has a home both up north (Wisconsin) and here in Florida. His home here in Florida borders the ICW (Intra-coastal Waterway). He has one of those IR verticals mounted on the dock with a large-gauge wire running down into the salt water. He says it's dynamite on the low bands.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Robert" <kb1jzu@...> wrote:
>
>
> John
>
> One antenna I use is a BigIR Vertical. First time I used it was on top of Sugarload mountain in Maine (4300ft) for a RTTY contest. Laid down ground radials and couldn't tune the antenna. Finally got it to run with a huge common mode coke.
>
> Basic problem was that given the granite & elevation the ground radials were acting like elevated radials. Once we could tune it, it worked great. (not a beam but did the job)
>
> When I installed it in my back yard I also put it on top of a 30ft rock ledge. What I did was put down a ground screen of about 60-quarter wave wires on the lowest frequency (40m) They are just there to enhance ground conductivity. Then I installed 2 sloping elevated radials for each of the 8 bands I operate on and tuned them to 1.1-1.2 SWR.
>
> Works like a champ..no tuner needed.
>
> Alway wanted to try this over a metal roof but the logistics were to much to manage for me.
>
> Regards
>
> Bob KB1JZU
>

11483. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11483

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 21 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 294 Issued at 2200Z on 21 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 20/2100Z
to 21/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
Region 1028 (N26E38) has decayed to spotless plage.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 20/2100Z to 21/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet on days one and two (22 - 23 October). Quiet to
unsettled levels are expected on day three (24 October) in response
to a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 22 Oct-24 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 21 Oct 071
Predicted 22 Oct-24 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 21 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 20 Oct 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 Oct 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 Oct-24 Oct 005/005-005/005-008/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 Oct-24 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/15
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11484. Tragic Accident - C6APR

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-21 23:00:17 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11484 Message: 11484

Tragic Accident - C6APR

From: <mailto:paul@...>paul@...
To: <mailto:cq-contest@...>cq-contest@...
Sent: 10/21/2009 4:46:27 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: [CQ-Contest] Tragic Accident - C6APR

It is with great sadness that I have to inform the community of a
tragic accident this morning at 630am EST.

The C6APR team, consisting of Pete, W2GJ, Ed, K3IXD, Randy K4QO and
Dallas W3PP were all killed this morning as their aircraft crashed on
take-off from Summerville Airport, SC on their way to Crooked Island,
Bahamas. They were on their way to operate in the CQWW contest this weekend.

Our thoughts are with their families in this tragic time!

More as it made available!

Paul - NN4F

11485. Re: Tragic Accident - C6APR

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-22 17:22:41 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11484 Message: 11485

This is awful. There is always risks in life but you never expect them when doing normal activities like flying to a popular destination.

I also extend my condolences to the families. All four will be missed by the Ham community.

Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
>
> Tragic Accident - C6APR
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>
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>
> Paul - NN4F
>

11486. ARLD042 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-22 20:45:33 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6597 Message: 11486

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ARLD042 DX news

ZCZC AE42
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DX Bulletin 42 ARLD042
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 22, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD042
ARLD042 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SWAZILAND, 3DA. Operators Andy, 3DA0TM, Dave, ZS6AVM, Dave, ZS6GF and Daniel, ZS6JR will be QRV as 3DA0WW as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ WW SSB DX contest. QSL via 3DA0TM.

UNITED NATIONS HQ, 4U_UN. Operators NN1N, KR2Q, PY5EG, JK3GAD, OH0XX and OH2BH will be QRV as 4U1UN as a two transmitter entry in the CQ WW SSB DX contest. QSL via HB9BOU.

CYPRUS, 5B. Stewart, G3RXQ will be QRV as 5B/G3RXQ in the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via G3RXQ.

BARBADOS, 8P. Tom, W2SC will be QRV as 8P5A during the CQ WW SSB DX contest as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

MOROCCO, CN. M'hamed, CN8NK will be QRV as CN4P during the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Single-Op entry. QSL via EA5XX.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Operators Pekka, OH1RY, Juan, EA8CAC, Manuel, EA8ZS, Salvador, EA5DY, Jaakko, OH1MA, Kari, OH3RB, Kari, OH5XT and Jussi-Pekka, OH6RZ will be QRV as AO8A during the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via OH1RY.

HONDURAS, HR. Dan, HR2DMR will be active as HQ2W during the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL to home call.

MONGOLIA, JT. Marko, N5ZO will be active as JT1ZO during the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH0XX.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Operators Kuny, W1FPU, Hajime, AH0BR, Moto, W1NDE and possibly others will be QRV as AH0BT from the Northern Mariana Islands during the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Philippe, LX2A will be QRV as LX7I in the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Single-Op/Single-Band/High-Power entry on 20 meter. QSL to home call.

SUDAN, ST. Robert, S53R will be QRV as either ST2KSS or ST2X in the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Single-Op/Single-Band entry on either 20 or 15 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

PALAU, T8. Kozo, JR8DHE will be QRV as T88KP until October 29. This includes being an entry in the CQ WW SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Operators Hudaverdi, TA7OM, Ayhan, TA7N, Erkan, TA7CM, Bulent, TA7Q, Ismail, TA7AO, Can, TA3GO and Elif, TA3YE will be QRV as TC7KA as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ WW SSB DX contest. QSL via TA7KA.

INDIA, VU. Pai, VU2PAI will be QRV as a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the CQ WW SSB DX contest. QSL direct to home call.

INDONESIA, YB. Members of the ORARI Daerah Jawa Tengah Contesting Team will be QRV as YE2R from Semarang on the Island of Java, IOTA OC-021, as a Multi-2 entry in the CQ WW SSB DX contest. QSL via EB7DX.

MACEDONIA, Z3. Members of the Radio Club Nikola Tesla and the MDXC will be QRV as Z37M in the CQ WW SSB DX contest. QSL via the bureau.

PARAGUAY, ZP. Mike, NT6X plans to be QRV as ZP0R in the CQ WW SSB DX contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via ZP5AZL.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ Worldwide SSB DX Contest, NCCC Sprint, 10-10 International Fall CW Contest, 10-10 International Fall Digital Contest and the 50 MHz Fall Sprint are all scheduled for this weekend. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for October 28. Please see October QST, page 78, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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11487. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-22 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11487

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 22 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 295 Issued at 2200Z on 22 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 21/2100Z
to 22/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet to unsettled levels.
An isolated period of minor storm levels was observed at 22/1200Z. A
geomagnetic sudden impulse occurred at 22/0019Z (11 nT, as measured
by the Boulder USGS magnetometer). This activity was associated with
a faint partial-halo CME which was observed around 17/1900Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet on day one (23 October). Quiet to unsettled
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11488. Mosley question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 00:43:00 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11488 Message: 11488

Has anyone on the list used a Mosley Mini 32 or Mini 33 tribander. I am looking for a reduced size beam to install on a roof tripod and wonder how the Mosley performs and how easy it is to tune. From a DXing standpoint, is it worth the money?

73s John AA5JG

11489. Mosley question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 00:52:23 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11488 Message: 11489

the " JRs " wont handle full power !

but they are relatively easy to come by and cheap used.

Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: dx-is@...
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 7:43 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Mosley question

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11490. Re: [DX-IS] Mosley question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 01:16:23 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11488 Message: 11490

I don't run more than 100 watts so power handling isn't an issue. I have looked at the TS32jr but need something with shorter elements.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 10/22/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@gmail.com> wrote:

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Mosley question
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, October 22, 2009, 7:52 PM

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11491. Re: [DX-IS] Mosley question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 01:56:37 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11488 Message: 11491

Take a look at the MA-5B, got good turn radius

Also look at reviews on eHam

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 9:16:23 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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11492. I give

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 03:22:07 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11492 Message: 11492

After years of seeing these types of posts, I give up trying to understand them. I see them on DX Summit.

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PY3NZ-8   PY3NZ-8 Araucaria DX Group Dxcluster - NEW IP telnet 189.4 0230 23 Oct
GB7UJS    CLUSTER: GB7UJS telnet 83.104.58.62 on port 7373           0159 23 Oct
VO1HP-@   4L/UU4JMG Andy ...mni tnx 160M QSO Oct 23...still need QSL 0141 23 Oct
VO1HP-@   4L/UU4JMG Andy ..mni tnx QSO Oct 23                        0139 23 Oct
4M5DX     Aves Island YW0A - Polls are still open. Your opinion is i 0029 23 Oct
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Aves Island polls? That expedition was a few years ago.......port 7373?

Any help?

Dale K8TS

11493. BTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 03:24:36 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11493 Message: 11493

Hope to see most of you this weekend.......Best of luck!

(maybe even a new one?)

Dale K8TS

11494. Re: [DX-IS] I give

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 03:46:11 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11492 Message: 11494

There's a name for this..

Narcisstemic Clusteritis Bingosis or NCB

"After posting something on the cluster and you find your erection won't go down after 4 hours, stop using the cluster and consult a doctor. Other symptoms may include incessant need to post more on the cluster which can lead to an addiction, excited voice, constipation, and tingling in the fingers prohibiting radio tuning. If you or someone you know has exhibited any of the signs, seek Dr Phil immediately."

Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:22 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] I give

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.423 / Virus Database: 270.14.26/2451 - Release Date: 10/22/09 08:51:00

11495. Re: [DX-IS] BTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 03:57:34 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11493 Message: 11495

If the SFI stays at 72 or goes up a bit, I'll be there;-)
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:24 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] BTW

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11496. Re: [DX-IS] BTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 11:24:02 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11493 Message: 11496

Rene would love to see the SFI above 150 ... like the old days.

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 11:57 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BTW

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If the SFI stays at 72 or goes up a bit, I'll be there;-)
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:24 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] BTW

Hope to see most of you this weekend.......Best of luck!

(maybe even a new one?)

Dale K8TS

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11497. Re: [DX-IS] I give

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 14:06:53 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11492 Message: 11497

LMAO !

what a thing to wake up to !

Morning ALL !

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 10:46 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] I give

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There's a name for this..

Narcisstemic Clusteritis Bingosis or NCB

"After posting something on the cluster and you find your erection won't go down after 4 hours, stop using the cluster and consult a doctor. Other symptoms may include incessant need to post more on the cluster which can lead to an addiction, excited voice, constipation, and tingling in the fingers prohibiting radio tuning. If you or someone you know has exhibited any of the signs, seek Dr Phil immediately."

Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:22 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] I give

After years of seeing these types of posts, I give up trying to understand them. I see them on DX Summit.

PY3NZ-8 PY3NZ-8 Araucaria DX Group Dxcluster - NEW IP telnet 189.4 0230 23 Oct
GB7UJS CLUSTER: GB7UJS telnet 83.104.58.62 on port 7373 0159 23 Oct
VO1HP-@ 4L/UU4JMG Andy ...mni tnx 160M QSO Oct 23...still need QSL 0141 23 Oct
VO1HP-@ 4L/UU4JMG Andy ..mni tnx QSO Oct 23 0139 23 Oct
4M5DX Aves Island YW0A - Polls are still open. Your opinion is i 0029 23 Oct

Aves Island polls? That expedition was a few years ago.......port 7373?

Any help?

Dale K8TS

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11498. Re: [DX-IS] BTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 15:42:23 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11493 Message: 11498

Hope Springs Eternal! The good ole days - yup - vaguely remember that. That's where I worked 200+ countries and 39 zones on the CQWWSSB weekend and without spotting devises. That means I tuned the band and found my own DX;-)

73 de Rene
p.s. I think most of us would like the SFI above 150 .... ..
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 23, 2009 4:24 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BTW

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Rene would love to see the SFI above 150 ... like the old days.

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 11:57 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BTW

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Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:24 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] BTW

Hope to see most of you this weekend.......Best of luck!

(maybe even a new one?)

Dale K8TS

11499. Re: [DX-IS] BTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 16:31:27 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11493 Message: 11499

My antennas evidently don't do so well with the solar flux being so low as it has been. When it was above 100 I always did fine.

I generally work search-and-pounce in the contests from home. I never rely on packet. I call who I can hear and work those who can hear me.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Oct 23, 2009 at 10:42 AM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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> Hope Springs Eternal! The good ole days - yup - vaguely remember that.
> That's where I worked 200+ countries and 39 zones on the CQWWSSB weekend and
> without spotting devises. That means I tuned the band and found my own
> DX;-)
>
> 73 de Rene
> p.s. I think most of us would like the SFI above 150 .... ..
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Deacon Dave <w1mce@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Friday, October 23, 2009 4:24 AM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] BTW
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> ☐ Rene would love to see the SFI above 150 ... like the old days.
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Thursday, October 22, 2009 11:57 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] BTW
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> If the SFI stays at 72 or goes up a bit, I'll be there;-)
> Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----

> *From:* Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
> *To:* DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:24 PM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] BTW
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> Hope to see most of you this weekend.....Best of luck!
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> (maybe even a new one?)
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> Dale K8TS
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11500. [425ENG] 425 DX News #964

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 17:37:20 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11500 Message: 11500

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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A3 - Paul, A35RK "originally thought his new A35A call had restrictions and was to be used for contest and special events, however that is not the case". Effective immediately, Paul has chosen A35A as his new permanent callsign. QSL via W7TSQ, direct or bureau or LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
A3 - Ramon, XE1KK will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as A31KK from Fafa Island (OC-049), Tonga, on 20 metres. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. The log will be uploaded to LoTW.
F - F5IL, F5IRC, F5THW and F5UBH will be active as TM5SN from Sein Island (EU-068) from 30 October to 2 November. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via F5IL, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
FP - Eric, KV1J and Tom, W8TOM have rescheduled their activity from Miquelon [425DXN 961], which has been postponed to 7-15 November. They will operate as FP/KV1J and FP/W8TOM on 160-6 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Their logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Further information at http://www.kv1j.com/fp/october09.html
FT5W - Flo, FT5WO will be active from Alfred Faure Base on Ile de la Possesson, Crozet Islands [425DXN 916] until 14 or 15 November. Usually he can be found on 17 and 20 metres during the weekends between 6 and 13 UTC. Look for him on or around 14260-14280 and 18165 kHz. QSL via home call (F4DYW), direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
HA - Radio Club Puspokladany (HA0KHW) will be active as HG0WFF/p from the Orseg National Park on 22-29 October. QSL via HA0HW. [TNX HA0HW]
I - Mauro, IN3SAU will be active as IB0/IN3SAU from Ponza Island (EU-045) for about ten days starting on 26 October. He plans to operate SSB, RTTY and BPSK31 on 80-10 metres. [TNX IN3SAU]
JT - Celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Mongolian Border Service Institute, special event station JU75BSI will be active on 23

October-20 November, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via JT1CH and LoTW. [TNX JT1CD]
P2 - Rough seas and bad weather conditions are delaying the voyage to the Tanga Islands (OC-102). The team (CT1AGF, G3KHZ, G3USR, M0VTG and SM6CVX) sheltered in Putt Putt cove on New Britain Island (OC-008) and operated as P29VSR (QSL via G3USR), then reached Muliama harbour on New Ireland (OC-008). Their estimated time of arrival to Tanga is now around 2 UTC on 24 October. Bookmark www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009/index.html for updates.
ST - Robert, S53R, will be active as either ST2KSS or ST2X (pending license) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest, on 15 or 20 metres. [TNX NG3K]
T6 - David, CT1DRB has been active as T6AG from Afghanistan since 21 October. He will remain there for about six months. He operates CW only, for the time being on 30 metres (hopefully other bands will follow, but he might have problems with 20 and 80 metres). QSL via EA3GHZ, direct or bureau. Updates and logsearch will be available at http://t6ag.nra.pt/ [TNX EA3GHZ]
T8 - Kozo, JR8DHE will be active as T88KP from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 24-29 October, including activity during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
TF - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as TF/DL2JRM/p from Iceland (EU-021) from 31 October to 2 November. He will operate CW on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
TZ - Mac, TZ6JA will be back to Mali on 26 October for one month, and hopes to operate SSB only during his early morning and late evening hours between 2 and 23 November. He will have two transceivers, a small amplifier, a 2-element beam for 40 and 20 metres and a G5RV. QSL direct only to Makoto Obara, P.O. Box 59, Tama, Tokyo, 206-8691 Japan. [TNX JA1ELY]
YJ0 - Tomas, VK2CCC (LY1DF) will be active as YJ0CCC from Efate Island (OC-035), Vanuatu from 30 October to 5 November. It will be a part time operation focused on 80 metres CW, with some 160 and possibly 40m activity. He will also give 60 metres a try (5404.5 kHz USB). QSL via VK2CCC, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to LoTW. Updates will be posted to qrz.com under YJ0CCC. [TNX NG3K]
VK - VK6IOA is the callsign to be used from the Houtman Abrolhos (OC-211) [425DXN 953] between 31 December and 4 January. For the time being the team includes Wally/VK6YS, Nigel/VK6NI and Bruce/KD6WW, but they are still looking for a fourth operator, ideally with reasonable CW skills. Please contact Wally (vk6ys@...) if interesed. Current plans are for two stations operating simultaneously, with a Spiderbeam for 20, 17 and 15 metres, a vertical dipole for 40-10 metres and a 1/4 wave vertical for 40/30 metres. QSL via VK4AAR.

CQ WW DX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (24-25 October):
ZONE CALL CATEGORY DXCC QSL VIA

++++ C6APR In our thoughts and prayers ++++
02 VE2DXY M/2 Canada KD3RF
02 VE2IM SOAB HP Canada VE3DZ
05 4U1UN M2 UN Headquarters HB9BOU
05 AA4V/VP9 M/2 Bermuda AA4V
05 VC2Z M/S Canada VE2BR
07 HQ2W SOAB HP Honduras HR2DMR
07 HT2N SOAB Nicaragua K9NW
07 TI5N M/S Costa Rica W3HNK
07 TI8M M/2 Costa Rica TI2KAC
07 V31MW SOAB HP Belize N0HJZ
07 YS1YS M/S El Salvador YS1GMV
08 8P5A SOAB HP Barbados NN1N
08 J68JA SOAB St. Lucia W5JON
08 KP2M U.S. Virgin Isls AI4U
08 KP4KE SOAB Puerto Rico OK1DOT
08 NP2B M/S US Virgin Isls qrz.com
08 NP4Z SO HP Puerto Rico WC4E
08 PJ7/AH8DX SOAB Sint Maarten AH8DX
08 T46A M/S Cuba CO6LC
08 TO7A SOAB HP Martinique UT5UGR
08 V25Z SOAB LP Antigua K7ZZ
08 V26B M/? Antigua KA2AEV
08 VP2MDG M/S Montserrat K2DM
08 VP2V/KN5H M/S British Virgin Isls KN5H
08 VP5T M/M Turks & Caicos Isls N2VW
08 ZF2AH Cayman Isls W6VNR
09 9Y4D SOSB Trinidad & Tobago qrz.com
09 FY5KE M/S French Guiana FY5KE
09 PJ2T M/M Curacao N9AG
09 PJ4K M/2 Neth. Antilles) ZP5AZL
09 PZ5M SOAB HP Suriname AJ9C
10 HC8A SOAB HP Galapagos Isls KU9C
12 CE1W Chile HA1AG
12 CE4CT M/2 Chile EA5KB
12 XR6T M/? Chile CE3FED
13 CX7TT SOAB Uruguay K5WW
13 LP1H M/S Argentina EA5KB
14 AM3SSB M/S Spain EA3JW
14 CR2X SOAB HP Azores OH2BH
14 EA6/AA5UK SOAB Balearic Isls AA5UK
14 EE6E SOSB 40m Balearic Isls EA6DD
14 G6PZ M/S England G6PZ
14 GJ2A M/M Jersey qrz.com
14 HB0/HB9AON M/? Liechtenstein DJ2YE
14 LX7I SOSB 20m Luxembourg LX2A
14 OY3AA SOAB HP Faroe Islands OZ1ACB
14 PA6Z SOSB 80m The Netherlands PA9M
15 4O3A SOAB HP Montenegro qrz.com
15 E71A SOSB 80m Bosnia-Herzegovina E71A

15 E73M SOAB Bosnia-Herzegovina E73Y or K2PF
15 E77DX SOAB Bosnia-Herzegovina OE1EMS or E77E
15 E77XZ SOSB 15m Bosnia-Herzegovina DK6XZ
15 IF9A M/S Italy (Sicily) IT9ATF
15 IO3R M/S Italy IN3UFW
15 IQ5DY M/? Italy bureau
15 OH0Z M/S Aland Isls W0MM
15 OK0K M/M Czech Republic OK1WMV
15 RW2F M/? Kaliningrad DK4VW
15 TK/IV3UHL SOSB 20m Corsica IV3UHL
15 TK9R SOAB Corsica IK8UND
15 Z37M M/? Macedonia IQ8MD
16 ER4DX SOAB Moldova RA4LW
20 5B/G3RXQ SOAB HP Cyprus G3RXQ
20 5B/HA5PP SOSB Cyprus HA5PP
20 C4I M/? Cyprus LZ2HM
20 P33W M/S Cyprus RA3AUU
20 TB3A SOSB Turkey (Asia) LZ1NK
20 TC7KA M/S Turkey TA7KA
21 4K7Z M/S Azerbaijan UA3FDX
21 4L3A SOSB 80m Georgia LY4A
21 4L8A SOSB 20m Georgia K1BV
21 9K2HN M/S Kuwait 9K2HN
22 VU2PAI M/S India qrz.com
23 JT1ZO SOAB Mongolia OH0XX
23 JU1DX M/2 Mongolia qrz.com
23 JU75BSI M/S Mongolia JT1CH
24 B5TT SOSB 80m China BA5TT
24 B7P M/? China BD7IXG
24 BX5AA SOAB HP Taiwan BX5AA
24 VR2C M/S Hong Kong WA4WTG
26 E21NPZ/8 SOSB 40m LP Thailand E21NPZ
26 HS0AC M/? Thailand HS0ZFZ
26 HS8JYX SOSB 20m Thailand HS8JYX
26 XU7KOH M/S Cambodia ON7PP
27 4D1N SOAB Philippines DV1UBY
27 AH0BT M/2 Mariana Isls 7L1FPU
27 AH2R M/S Guam JH7QXJ
27 KG6DX SOAB HP Guam KG6DX
27 KH0/JK2VOC SOAB Mariana Isls JK2VOC
27 NH0DX SOAB Mariana Isls JL3RDC
27 T88KP SO Palau JR8DHE
27 V6B M/S Micronesia LoTW
28 9M6/JJ2CJB SO East Malaysia JJ2CJB
28 9M6/W8AY East Malaysia RA3AD
28 9M8Z SOAB HP East Malaysia M0URX
28 YE0X M/? Indonesia YE0X
28 YE2R M/2 Indonesia EB7DX
29 VK8NSB SOAB Australia VK6NE
31 AH6XX M/2 Hawaii K2WR

32 3D2MJ SOSB Fiji Isls SP5EAQ
32 A31KK SOSB 20m Tonga LoTW
32 E51USA SO South Cooks E51CG
32 FO8RZ SOSB French Polynesia F8BPN
32 ZM2M M/2 New Zealand ZL2AL
33 3V8SS SOSB 15m Tunisia IZ8CCW
33 AO8A M/2 Canary Isls OH1RY
33 CN2R SOSB Morocco W7EJ
33 CN3A M/S Morocco I2WIJ
33 CN4P SO LP Morocco EA5XX
33 CQ3Z M/S Madeira Isls CT3AB
33 CR3A M/? Madeira Isls CQ9K
33 EA8/OH6CS SOSB Canary Isls OH6CS
33 EA8CMX SOSB Canary Isls OH2BYS
33 EE9K Melilla direct
33 EE9Z or ED9NA M/2 Ceuta & Melilla EA9LZ
33 IG9R (African) Italy IK8HCG
33 IG9S SOSB 15m (African) Italy IZ8GCE
33 TS9A M/? Tunisia bureau
34 ST2KSS or ST2X SOSB Sudan qrz.com
35 6V7Q SOAB LP Senegal F8IJV
35 6W1RY SOAB HP Senegal F5VHJ
35 TY1MS Benin PA3AWW
38 3DA0WW M/S Swaziland 3DA0TM
38 ZS9X M/? South Africa K3IRV
39 S79MI SO LP Seychelles HB9ENI
40 TF3CW SOSB 40m Iceland LX1NO
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsz2009.html - good contest to you all!

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit: T6AB (Afghanistan, 2008 and 2009 operation), T6AF (Afghanistan, current operation) and TX3A (Chesterfield Islands, 2009 operation). Also, DXCC credit for YI/KV4EB has been extended through 9 January 2004 (originally it covered the period from 20 April to 28 November 2003). [TNX NC1L]

JD1BNA ---> Toshi, JA1ELY says that the station signing JD1BNA on 17 metres CW between 9 and 13 September was a pirate.

QSL OQ50USA ---> The OQ50USA log (year 1994) will be closed on 1 January 2010. QSL cards can still be requested direct from Paul Demelle, ON6DP. [TNX ON6DP]

QSL VK7ACG ---> Cards should be sent direct to G0WFH (no bureau):
Christopher Gresswell, 121 Gramby Court, Milton Keynes, MK1 1NG, England.
[TNX G0WFH]

QSL VIA IK3GES ---> Gabriele reports that all of the direct requests for this year's IOTA operations have been processed and mailed. He says that 1 IRC can be redeemed for a postage that covers up to three QSL cards in the same envelope. After 31 December direct requests with IRCs expiring on that date will be processed via the bureau. The list of callsigns Gabriele is the QSL manager of can be found at qrz.com under IK3GES.

VK9 CALLSIGNS ---> The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) has decided to discontinue the use of a VK9 callsign suffix letter to denote each of the six External Territories that are DXCC Entities (VK9C for Cocos/Keeling Island, VK9L for Lord Howe Island, VK9M for Mellish Reef, VK9N for Norfolk Island, VK9W for Willis Island and VK9X for Christmas Island). From 1 November, callsigns for the VK9 DX entities will fall in line with the practice for issuing callsigns for all other VK call areas, with the suffix only to denoting the class of licence issued (Advanced, Standard or Foundation). Under the provisions of the Amateur Licence Conditions Determination, portable operation is permitted with a radio amateur using their home callsign /VK9 and stating their location.
[http://amateurradio.com.au/node/856]

+ SILENT KEYS + The amateur radio and contest community worldwide mourns the tragic loss of the entire C6APR team. Edwin F.Steeble (K3IXD/C6AXD), James R. "Randy" Hargenrader (K4QO/C6AQO), Peter Radding (W2GJ/C6APR) and E. Dallas Carter (W3PP) lost their lives on 21 October when their aircraft crashed and burst into flames shortly after take-off from Summerville, South Carolina. They were headed to Crooked Island, Bahamas, where they expected to take part in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3B8FQ K5XK EH1SRT EA1AST PB65BP PA1WLB
3Z0MK SP7PTK EK3SA DJ1CW PJ4/K2NG WA2NHA
4L3A LY4A EK6TA DJ0MCZ PJ4/W9NJY WD9DZV
4L8A K1BV EL2DT EL2FM PJ7MF IZ1MHY
4U1UN HB9BOU EN500I DM5BB PZ5M AJ9C
5B4AIF EB7DX ER650MD ER4DX R1ANB RN1ON
5R8FL G3SWH FM/KL7WA UT5UGR R1ANC RN1ON
5R8FU SM5DJZ FO8RZ F8BPN R1FJM RX3MM
5R8HT F4DBJ FP5BZ F5TJP RC80MO RZ3FR
6V7Q F8IJV FS/K1XM KQ1F RK0L UA0LW

6W1RY F5VHJ FT5WO F4DYW SN0HUB SP9YST
8Q7AK G7COD GA5CX GM3YTS SN0JP SP9PKZ
8Q7EJ G3VDB GB75XX G3KWK SN100DP SQ2RH
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9H3RV HB9DGV H44MY OM2SA SX1L DL1JCZ
9H8C DL9USA HC7AE EA7FTR SX5R SV5DKL
9H9MSG 9H1SF HF70OBW SQ8JIU SZ6P SV1BJW
9J2BO G3TEV HG0WFF HA0HW T6AG EA3GHZ
9J2CA G3SWH HI3TEJ ON4IQ T6YA F5OGL
9J2FM JA4ATV HL09SEA HL1OYF TC1ELH TA1HZ
9K2/SP4R SP4GFG HL9BSA WX8C TC1IEM TA1KB
9M2IDJ JA6IDJ HP3DX W4WX TO7RJ DJ7RJ
9M4SJP 9M2TO HR9/WQ7R K5WW TS9A YT1AD
9M6DXX M0URX HS0ZIL DL2LAH TX5SPM SP9PT
9M8Z M0URX HZ1SBS HZ1HN TY1MS PA3AWW
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A65BE G3XHZ II2ANA IZ2JNN UE4FDA RA4FJV
A65BI SM5DJZ II2SRT I2JJR UE4FRC RZ4FZZ
A65BM W4JS II4SRT IZ4GAC UE9YFF RA9YF
A65CA RV6AJJ II5GAL IZ5DMC UN5J W3HNK
A7/M0FGA NN1N II8IYA IQ8MJ UN7AB DL8KAC
AA6CM/KH0 JA6CM II8SRE IZ8LKL V25Z K7ZZ
BY3MM BD3NHK IQ0PM IW0HLZ V26BZR W2BZR
C56YK ON7YK IQ8OM IZ8EDJ V26MH HB9OCR
C92IO ZS6HB IR0JOTA IW0FFP V26OC N3OC
CE2WZ M3ZYZ IR5SRT IZ5MMN V31MD NM2D
CM2IR EB7DX IR8JOT IW8PQ V31MW N0HJZ
CN2AW DL1DAW IR8JOT IW8PQ VK2IA DL8YR
CN2JD F8AEJ IR8SRE IZ8FFA VK8NSB VK6NE
CN8ZG EA7FTR IR9BP IT9RGY VP2MDG K2DM
CP6XE IK6SNR IU7SRT IZ7AUH VP2MKA W4GKA
CT3AS DJ8FW IY3XX IV3ZXQ VP2MZM K3ZM
CU2DX CU2AA IY8GM IK8WEJ VP8DIF DJ9ZB
CU2KG OH2BH J37K AC8G VP9400HW VP9HW
CU2KI OH2UA J45PO ON4PO VQ9JC ND9M
CX7CO WB3CDX J5S CT1DSV VR2009EAG VR2XMT
DA0CA DC2YY J68JA W5JON VU3DJQ EA7FTR
DF0SX DL1CW JI1FGX/DU9 JF1LZQ W4PL W4KRY
DL0TUM DJ4MZ KG4YU KJ5YU WH0AA JA6GLD
DL0XM DL3XM KH0AC K7ZA XU7TZG ON7PP
DL2F DL2FDL KK6WW/KH0 JA6EGL YC0IEM/8 IZ8CCW
DL60CHILD DL5SE KL5O AC7DX YJ0PX AI5P
DM3W DM3EF LA6Q LA9VDA YN2NW K9NW
DP1POL DL1ZBO LX30AK LX1CC YP1WFF YO3JW
DP4D DJ4MG LZ5K LZ1RAY YT5W YU1BFG
DP4K DK3DM OL50BMI OK2BMI ZF2AH W6VNR
DP9I DK7JQ OM9AAW DF8AA ZF2UL K3UL
DQ3Q DL1SMA ON100PES ON4TRC ZK2DL DL2FAG

DQ4W DK9TN OX3XR OZ3PZ ZL30MDG ZL3RG
DR1X DF8XC OY3AA OZ1ACB ZM1A ZL1AMO
DR800GRZ DL1ARJ P29CW VK2IR ZM2B ZL2BR
EG1FST EA1EG P29VSR G3USR ZM2M ZL2AL
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11502. ARLP043 Propagation de K7RA

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Seattle, WA October 23, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP043 Propagation de K7RA

A tiny cycle 24 sunspot group numbered 1028 emerged briefly on Tuesday, October 20, then was gone. This is another brief phantom sunspot, teasing us with hints of the expected increase in activity that never seems to manifest. Of course the silver lining in the low solar activity is low geomagnetic activity. While folks in Alaska miss dramatic aurora, HF hams in the northern latitudes can enjoy the bands without all the disruption that comes with geomagnetic storms.

A couple of coronal holes are spewing enough plasma to activate some aurora, but remember that most of the photos you see of beautiful displays in the sky are actually very long exposures taken from a rock-steady tripod mount. Many times the unaided eye cannot perceive the more dramatic details. As a result of solar wind from coronal holes, geomagnetic indices rose yesterday, on Thursday, with planetary A index at 14, mid-latitude A index as measured in Virginia at 12, and the College A index at Fairbanks, Alaska way up to 25.

The College A index has been quiet for a long time, and the last time the index was nearly this high was on August 30, 2009 at 24. Prior College A index readings higher than Thursday's were July 22, 2009 at 27, February 4, 2009 at 36, December 6, 2008 at 26, and November 8, 2008 at 30.

You can look back at daily geomagnetic and solar indices from 1994 to the present at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/indices/old_indices.html. In fact, it is instructive when bemoaning the present lack of solar activity to reflect on times when there was so much geomagnetic activity, that HF propagation was difficult. At http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/old_indices/1994_DGD.txt see 1994 College and Planetary A index numbers, and how there were extended periods of heightened activity. In fact, you can see

stretches for weeks at a time when there are only spotty records of the College A and K index, and I seem to recall that during these times their instruments were knocked out of service by energy from geomagnetic storms concentrated in polar regions.

The activity on Thursday was not predicted by USAF and NOAA in their daily 45-day forecast at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html. In the days prior to Thursday (check October 20 and 21) they were still expecting a Planetary A index of 5 for Thursday. Then in the October 22 prediction they show a Planetary A index of 8 for October 23-25, the weekend for the CQ World Wide SSB DX Contest.

Geophysical Institute Prague has a little more detailed forecast for the contest weekend. They expect quiet conditions for October 23, quiet to unsettled October 24, unsettled on October 25, and back to quiet for October 26-29. OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group expects a bit higher activity, with quiet conditions for October 23, and unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions for October 24-25.

Scott Craig, WA4TTK has an updated data file for his Solar Data Plotting Utility. This is useful if you are not yet running the program and collecting the data. The data can be updated semi-automatically each week from this bulletin, and manually as well. The new data file has daily solar flux and sunspot numbers from January 1, 1989 through October 7, 2009. Download it for free at http://www.craigcentral.com/sol.asp. This is a good way to visually realize the difference between the previous solar minimum and this extended quiet period we are in.

Brian Webb, KD6NRP of Ventura County, California notes that even with no sunspot activity, using low power and a simple antenna he hears and works many stations overseas on 17 meters. On October 19 at 1556z he worked PA3HP on PSK on 17 meters, after answering his CQ. Brian's antenna was a horizontal delta loop, about 50 feet on each side, and fed with 300 ohm twinlead and 100 watts. I noted that between his location and the Netherlands on that date there was a good chance of an opening from 1600-1730z, according to W6ELprop.

Ed Stokes, W1KOK of Randolph Center, Vermont asks if there is a W6ELprop version for Macintosh. No, there isn't, although Ed says he would like to port it to Mac. In the 2008 ARLP049 (http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2008-arlp049.html) we answered a similar question, and were pointed toward DX Toolbox at http://www.blackcatsystems.com/software/dxtoolbox.html, and also a site at http://www.machamradio.com/software/software.html for Macintosh ham radio software.

This week an interesting piece about sluggish flow inside the sun appeared, authored by two scientists on the GONG project. Read it at http://spie.org/x37587.xml?highlight=x2418&ArticleID=x37587.

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, has another monthly column on propagation in the latest November issue of the now online-only WorldRadio Magazine. It is free, and you can download it in small parts or one big file at http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/. Just click on the big WorldRadio Online button. Carl's column this month is on Short-path Summer Solstice Propagation, and begins on page 22. Also from that page you can click a link to see the rules for the CQ World-Wide DX Contest this weekend (Phone) and November 28-29 (CW).

Next week K7RA will be on the road, and it probably won't be practical to get the bulletin to Newington by Friday morning. Instead, we expect to have Steve Nichols, G0KYA of Wymondham, England pitching in. Steve is on the Propagation Studies Committee of the Radio Society of Great Britain. Steve was the author of the PowerPoint presentation on WSPR he gave at the RSGB convention, which we referenced in last week's bulletin.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for October 15 through 21 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 11, and 0 with a mean of 1.6. 10.7 cm flux was 70.4, 69.6, 70.7, 70.1, 70.9, 71, and 71.3 with a mean of 70.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 4, 2, 1, 1, 1 and 1 with a mean of 2. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 3, 0, 0, 1, 0 and 1 with a mean of 1.1.
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** TAKE A MINUTE TO REMEMBER THEM THIS WEEKEND! If you haven't heard, four radio amateurs were killed in plane crash while enroute to operate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest from Crooked Island, Bahamas. The tragedy happened just after take-off, around 6:30 AM on Wednesday, October 21st, when the twin-engine Piper PA-23 plane carrying the four contesters crashed into the woods only 250 yards off the end of the runway in Jedburg, South Carolina, about 20 miles northwest of Charleston. The four radio amateurs were:
Peter Radding/W2GJ (C6APR) SK - North Charleston, SC; Pilot/Owner
James "Randy" Hargenrader/K4QO (C6AQO) SK - Summerville, SC
Edwin F Steeble/K3IXD (C6AXD) SK - Summerville, SC
E. Dallas Carter/W3PP SK - Laurel, DE
Details about this tragedy can be found on the Web at:
http://www.journalscene.com/news/Plane-crashes-at-Summerville-Airport
http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/10/21/11157/?nc=1

* Since their signal will be missing during the CQWW DX SSB Contest, OPDX is requesting/suggesting (out of respect and memory) that the contesters world-wide take a pause for 1 minute (complete silence on the bands for the one missing station; 15 seconds for each "SK" operator) from 0000-0001z, Sunday, October 25th. PLEASE, pass the word around.... OPDX and its readers would like to send out deepest sympathy to the family and many friends of the above Silent Keys...

* C6APR Memorial CQWW SSB Station. It was announced that in memory of C6APR, the Trident Amateur Radio Club (TARC) will be operating the CQWW SSB Contest using the clubs callsign N4EE. They will be operating

a single station out of W3VT in Summerville, SC, on 75m, 40m, and 20m, other bands as conditions permit. Frequencies and times will be published at a later time. A special QSL card will be made to memorialize the C6APR team's accomplishments and tragic loss. Please join them during this weekend's contest to remember their fallen friends and pass on condolences to their families. Charleston area hams are invited to assist with operations. Please contact W3VT for info. QSL will be direct with SASE - For LoTW and EQSL confirmation please note on QSL. Condolences thread can be found here:
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?t=222654

*** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTES (by Tedd, KB8NW): This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 16th-October, through Friday, 23rd-October there were 235 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/m, FP, FR, FS, FT5W, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf, 3V4-002, will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW DXX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15)/Low-Power entry. QSL via IZ8CCW. Also, read about Ashraf on the following Web pages at:
http://ashraf3v4002.wordpress.com
http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002/

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Member of the 4K7Z Radio Club will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Single/All-Band entry. QSL via UA3FDX.

4U1UN IN THE CQWW SSB CONTEST. A press release from Martti, OH2BH, states: "A six-man team of NN1N, KR2Q, PY5EG, JK3GAD, OH0XX and OH2BH will be participating in the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest in the two-transmitter category providing this DXCC entity and unique multiplier to a large

group of their fellow hams globally. The station has a few new antennas. They include a SteppIR Vertical, a Butternut vertical for 40, 80 and 160 meters and 6M yagi. As usual, QSL service will be handled by HB9BOU either via the bureau or direct. The logs will also be uploaded to LoTW after the operation has concluded."

9Y4, TRINDADE AND TOBAGO. Chris, 9Y4D (ex-9Y4NZ), will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 20m like last year)/High-Power entry. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

A35, TONGA (News and Contest Ops). Paul Kidd, well-unknown as A35RK, informs OPDX that he has been thinking about if-and-when to use his special A35A. Paul states, "I had the initial impression that A35A was restricted to contest/special event use. But that's not the case....it's a regular every-day callsign, now that the rules have been changed. I had a chat this morning with Fe'ao Vakata (the radio licensing officer) about this, and here's what he said: It is his intention to issue A31x callsigns for visiting contest and special event operations. Basically, that prefix block is reserved for 'groups', not individuals. The A31xx block is reserved for other short-term visitors, yachties, etc. The A35x and A35xx blocks are intended for resident operators, like me. When he issued me the A35A license, it was with the understanding that I could use it any way I choose....as a 'regular' call, or as a special event/contest call. Fe'ao said that it's entirely up to me, and he has no objections to my using it anyway I want to. Therefore.....Effective immediately, A35A will be my 'fulltime' callsign....for DXing, contests, ragchewing, the whole coconut. HI......
QTH remains the same: Lifuka Island, Ha'apai Group, IOTA OC-169
QSL A35A via W7TSQ, W7 Bureau, or LoTW (No direct mail to Tonga, no A3 Bureau)..... 73, Paul Kidd, A35A (A35RK)"

Look for A35A to be active in the upcoming CQWW DX Contests:
CQWW SSB - Single-Op/Single-Band/Low-Power (probably 15M)
CQWW CW - Multi-Sigle, Operators Paul/A35A and Dave/W6ZL (A35KL)
In both cases, QTH Ha'apai Group (OC-169). QSL via LoTW (additional QSL arrangements pending).

A35, TONGA. Ramon, XE1KK, will be active as A31KK from Fafa Island in the Tongatapu Group (OC-049) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSLs will automatically be sent via the Bureau. Also, QSL via LoTW.

AH6, HAWAII (Update). Once again the members of the "Coconut Wireless Contest Club" will be active as AH6XX in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are: Rich/K2WR, Tetsuo/AH7C and Kan/JA1BK (KH6BK). QSL via LoTW, or direct to K2WR.

C4, CYPRUS. Andy, LZ2HM, and possibly others will be active as C4I during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via LZ2HM.

C91, MOZAMBIQUE. Mike, ZS6TAF, who works in Maputo from time to time, operate mobile using the callsign C91BA. He uses Yaesu 857D and Watson Multiranger mobile antenna for 80/40/20/15/10/6 meters. He was heard this past week on 7083 kHz at 1539z. QSL via his home callsign.

CCF/OHDXF CONTEST & DX CONFERENCE. Dates for the CCF/OHDXF Contest and DX conference have been announced by the Contest Club of Finland(CCF) and OH DX Foundation (OHDXF). It will be held between January 22-24th (2010). Look for more details to become available on the following Web page at: http://contestclubfinland.com/CCF

CE9, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS (Update). A team of operators will be operating from Arturo Prat-Greenwich Island-South Shetland archipelago (IOTA AN-010, WW Loc. GC07FQ), between January 10-24th. Team members mentioned are: Luis/XQ5CIE, Carlos/CE6UFF, Didier/F6DXE and Dagoberto/CE5COX. Their callsign will be XR9JA. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31 and the AO-51 Satellite. QSL via CE5JA. For more information, go to: http://www.ce5ja.cl

CQ3, MADEIRA ISLAND (AF-014). Members of the CT3 Friendly DX Group will be active as CQ3Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via CT3AB. Operators mentioned are: Filipe/CT3AB, Norberto/CT3FH, Jose/CT3IP, Dinora/CT3JJ and Nelio/CT3KO.

CR3, MADEIRA ISLAND (AF-014). Members of the CT3 Madeira Contest Team will be active as CR3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via CQ9K. Operators mentioned are: Jose/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Jose/CT3DZ, Jose/CT3EE, Antonio/CT3EN, Jose/CT3IA, Eusebio/ CT3KU, Jose/CT3KY, Jos/CT3NT and Jos/CT4NH.

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
TX3A - Chesterfield Island; 2009 Operation
T6AB - Afghanistan; 2008 and 2009 Operation
T6AF - Afghanistan; Current Operation
K4M ☐ Midway Island; 2009 Operation; Plans are for K4M to use LoTW for QSO confirmations, see the K4M web site for more details.

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. There will be a few stations active from here during this weekend's CQWW DX SSB Contest. Look for the following:
E71A - Emil as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry.
E73M - Daniel as a Single-Op/All-Band/Assisted entry.
E77DX - Emir as a Single-Op/All-Band entry.
E77XZ - Suad as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA (Update). A group of Spanish operators will be active as EE9Z or possibly ED9NA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as Multi-2 entry. QSL via EA9LZ (QRZ.com). Operators mentioned are: Cristobal/EA7RU, Jorge/EA7HZ, Jose/EA9CD, Manuel/EA9BW, Jose/EA9PY, Mariano/EA9LS and Jorge/EA9LZ.

EE6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Biel, EA6DD, will be active as EE6E during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via EA6DD.

ER4, MOLDOVA. Serge, UT5UDX, will be active as ER4DX during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via RA4LW.

FT5W, CROZET ISLAND. Florentin, F4DYW, currently active as FT5WO, is expected to be on the air until November 15th, but will leave the island on November 23rd. He is usually on 20 or 17 meters during Saturdays and Sundays between 0600-1300z usually between 14260-14280 kHz. QSL via F4DYW.

GJ/MJ, JERSEY (EU-013). Operators Rich/N6AA and Jim/N6TJ will lead a group to activate GJ2A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. See QRZ.com for QSL info.

HG0, HUNGARY (WFF Op). Members of the Regionalis Radios Sportklub Puspokladany (HA0KHW) will once again activate another Hungarian National Park between October 22-29th. Look for them to be active as HG0WFF/p from Orseg National Park (HAFF-009). The team leader is Geza, HA4DX. QSL by the Bureau is "OK", and their QSL Manager is HA0HW. Some of the operators will use their own callsigns with a mark /p (maybe).

HS0, THAILAND. John, W2YR, informs OPDX that Winit, HS1CKC, is making a big effort to organize operators and get the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand club station HS0AC ready for a Multi-Multi entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest this coming weekend. Remember, Thailand has a very restrictive band allocation on 80 meters, and as a result, they will be required to operate in the very lower portion of the band. They may operate on or about 3.539 MHz and will listen up in the band for callsign. John states, "These are a great bunch of guys, and I am sure they will welcome schedules made on other bands during the contest." MORE UPDATED DETAILS: Contest/Club station will be a Multi-? entry in the contest. QSL via HS0ZFZ. Operators mentioned are: Winit/HS1CKC, Nathan/HS0ZHG, Swen/HS0ZFZ, Sam/HS0ZDY, Son/HS6NDK, Champ/E21EIC and possibly others.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-068. Operators Jean-Claude/F5IL, Juan/F5IRC, Luis/F5THW and Christophe/F5UBH will be active as TM5SN from Sein Island (DIFM 007, DMF 29-015 le moulin de Sein CP 29990 Sein, WLOTA 2721 PB 1003 and PB218 Men Brial Lighthouse IN78NA or Sein Lighthouse PB106 IN78NB) between October 30th and November 2nd. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes (RTTY and possibly others). QSL via FIIL, direct (SAE + postage) or by the French REF-Union Bureau (please only this Bureau).

NA-029. Mike, W7ASF, will be active as VY2/W7ASF from Prince Edward Island (CISA PE-001, WLOTA 0523) between November 18-24th. Activity will include an entry in the ARRL Sweepstakes Phone Contest (November 21-23rd). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

JU1, MONOGOLIA. Members of the JTDXA Contest Team will be active as JU1DX during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Two-Transmitter entry. Location is 100 miles from Ulaanbaatar, capital city of Mongolia. Team members mentioned are: Naran/JT1BV (Team Leader), JT1BL, JT1BS, JT1BZ, JT1CH, JT1DR and JT1CZ. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

JU75, MONGOLIA (Special Event and Contest Op). Look for special event station JU75BSI to be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Op/Single-Transmitter/High-Power entry. Operators mentioned are JT1CH and JT1BZ. This special event station is active to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Mongolian Border Service. A special QSL is available with a SASE. Also, QSL via LoTW or direct to JT1CH.

KG6, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will be active as KG6DX in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power/ Assisted entry. QSL via KG6DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. Also LoTW.

***KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For October 26th-November 1st)....
Oct 26 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Oct 27 AN ---------------
Oct 28 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct 29 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct 30 AN LN - Low Normal
Oct 31 AN
Nov 1 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

MARCONI NOBEL 100 AWARD. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Marconi receiving the Nobel Prize, listen for and work 10 different special event "SI" stations between November 9th and December 10th. The following special anniversary callsigns will be on the air: SI0GM, SI1GM, SI2GM, SI3GM, SI4GM, SI5GM, SI6GM and SI7GM. Other SM stations may be using the special prefix SI, but only the above stations count. Each anniversary station counts once per band. No endorsements. The fee is 50 SEK, 5 Euro or 5 USDs. Apply with log entry to SSA Awards Manager, Bengt Hogkvist, Ostbygatan 24 C, SE-531 37 Lidkoping, Sweden.

OY3, FAROE ISLANDS. Tom, OZ1AA, will be active as OY3AA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSl via OZ1ACB. His Web page is: http://www.oz1aa.com

P3, CYPRUS. Operators Sandy/RW4WR, Dmitry/RX3DCX, Andrei/RA6LBS, Harry/ RA3AUU, Jack/RW3QC, Igor/UA2FZ and Roman/UR0MC will be active as P33W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via RA3AUU.

P4, ARUBA (SA-036). John, W2GD, will be active as P40W during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power

or QRP entry with limited antennas. QSL via N2MM. Logs will be loaded on LoTW upon his return to USA.

P4, ARUBA (SA-036). Andy, AE6Y, will be active as P49Y during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High (or Low)-Power entry. QSL via AE6Y.

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES (Correction). Doc, W9NJY, (not Don, W9JNY) will be active as PJ4/W9NJY from Bonaire (SA-006 and WLOTA L1279) between now and October 30th. Activity will be casual on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
VE7/VA7 INCOMING QSL BUREAU. Please note that the QSL Manager of the VE7/VA7 Incoming QSL Bureau has a new callsign. It is now VE7BC (old callsign was VE7UQ). The Bureau's E-mail address is now: ve7bc@...
All other information is unchanged. The Bureau Web site is at: http://www.qsl.comm.sfu.ca

QSLS VIA LOTW: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7NE, 5K0T, 5W0JT, 6W/DL4SJ, 9Y4W, C52C, N7RO/p, T88ZS, VK9DWX, VK9GMW, VO2/NF6J, YB0DJ and ZF1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4J0DX, 4K7Z-Club, 5I3A, 8N750MCS/7, AO7DMR, CN2BC, CT9L, DS1REE, EA8/OH2BAD, EG5T, EK0B, ER4DX, EU5ROPE, EV6ZK, EV7DP, EV8DP, EV9P, EX8AP, HB0/DJ1AIB, HB75F, HE8EFGJ, HE8MH, IA6IPY, II1ANT, IQ8OM, IU3SRT, JT3Y, JW/OK1IPS, JW/OK1IPS, LY2IJ, OH3GZ/P, OL140PS, OL4A, P40MH, PD1DX, PI9NOZ, SN90PR, SO9DX, SP1918PR, T2UF, TC2009UC, TO3R, UA3FDX, UN7MMM and UW0G

RW2, KALININGRAD. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as RW2F in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via DK4VW.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI. Operators David/N1EMC and Mike/N1IW will be active as T30KI and T30IW, respectively, between November 10-16th. Activity will be on 60-6 meters as conditions permit using SSB/CW. QSL via N1EMC.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. David, CT1DRB, will be active as T6AG from here the next 6 months as of October 21st. Activity will only be CW. QSL via EA3GHZ direct.

TZ, MALI. Mac, JA8SLU, will once again return to Mali and be active as TZ6JA between November 2-23rd. Activity will be SSB only. QSL direct only to: Mac Obara, P.O. Box 59, Tama, Tokyo, 206-8691 JAPAN.

TS9, TUNISIA. Operators Hrane/YT1AD, Dragan/YT3W, Markovic/YU1AU, Vladeta/YU1KX, Alea/???? and possibly others will be active as TS9A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Single or Multi-2 entry. QSL via YT1AD, direct or by the Bureau.

V3, BELIZE. Wil, AA4NC, will be active as V31RR between February 17-23rd. Activity will be on the HF bands including 30/17/12m using CW, SSB and RTTY. His activity will also include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operators Andrew/KD3RF, Irwin/KD3TB, William/K3FMQ, Ken/N3PSJ and Sebastien/VE2GTZ will be active as VE2DXY during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via KD3RF. This is their 8th year as a Multi-2 operation in Zone 2. Visit their Web site at: http://www.wix.com/andyvavra/VE2DXY

XV, VIETNAM (Update/IOTA Op). Operators Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Andy/ DL5CW, Sigi/DL7DF and Frank/DL7UFR will be active as XV4D from Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) between November 4-17th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW,SSB,RTTY,PSK and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau.

YN, NICARAGUA. Eric, K9GY, will once again be active as YN2GY from Octavio's, YN2N, QTH in Grenada, during the 2010 ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will be there between February 18-22nd. Outside of the contest, look for CW activity on 30/17/12 meters. QSL via LoTW or to his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th, 2009)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2009 CQWW DX SSB Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2009.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsd2009.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsz2009.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3A/I1UWF Monaco 14 SO I1UWF
3DA0WW Swaziland 38 M/S 3DA0TM
3V8SS Tunisia 33 SOSB 15M LoTW
4O3A Montenegro 15 SOAB HP LoTW
4K7Z Azerbaijan 21 M/S UA3FDX
4L3A Georgia 21 SOSB 80M LY4A
4L8A Georgia 21 SOSB 20M K1BV
4L0A Georgia 21 M/S EA7FTR
4M5IR Venezuela 09 SOSB 20M YV5KG
4U1UN United Nations HQ 05 M/2 LoTW
5B/G3RXQ Cyprus 20 SOAB HP G3RXQ
5B/HA5PP Cyprus 20 SOSB HA5PP
6V7Q Senegal 35 SOAB LP F8IJV

6W1RY Senegal 35 SOAB HP F5VHJ
8P5A Barbados 08 SOAB HP NN1N
9K2HN Kuwait 21 M/S 9K2HN
9M6/JJ2CJB East Malaysia 28 SOAB LoTW
9M8Z East Malaysia 28 SOAB HP LoTW
9Y4D Trinidad & Tobago 09 SOSB 9Y4D
A35A Tonga 32 LoTW
AH2R Guam 27 M/S JH7QXJ
AH6XX Hawaii 31 M/2 LoTW
AH0BT Mariana Is. 27 M/2 7L1FPU
AM1Q Spain 14 SO EA1QA
AM1T Spain 14 M/? EA1FCR
AM3SSB Spain 14 M/S EA3JW
AO8A Canary Is. 33 M/2 OH1RY
AY0DX Argentina 13 SOAB LU3DR
B7P China 24 M/S BD7IXG
BX5AA Taiwan 24 SOAB HP BX5AA
C4I Cyprus 20 M/? LZ2HM
CE1W Chile 12 M/M HA1AG
CE4CT Chile 12 M/2 EA5KB
CN2R Morocco 33 SOSB W7EJ
CN3A Morocco 33 M/S I2WIJ
CN4P Morocco 33 SO LP EA5XX
CQ3Z Madeira 33 M/S CT3AB
CR2X Azores 14 SOAB HP OH2BH
CR3A Madeira 33 M/? CQ9K
CR5T Portugal 14 M/2 CS6ARC
CR6K Portugal 14 SO CT1ILT Direct
CS2P Portugal 14 M/? CT1ARR
CT7/LZ3ND Portugal 14 SOSB LZ1NK
DR1A Germany 14 M/M DL6FBL
E20WXA Thailand 26 SOSB 20M E20WXA
E21NPZ/8 Thailand 26 SOSB 40M E21NPZ
E21YDP Thailand 26 SO E21YDP
E74AA Bosnia & Herzegovina 15 SOAB LP E74AA
E77XZ Bosnia & Herzegovina 15 SOSB 15M DK6XZ
EA6/AA5UK Balearic Is. 14 SOAB LoTW
EA8/OH6CS Canary Is. 33 SOSB LoTW
EA8CMX Canary Is. 33 SOSB OH2BYS
ED5R Spain 14 M/? EA4RCH
EE2W Spain 14 M/M EB2BXL
EE6E Balearic Is. 14 SOSB 40M EA6DD
EE9Z Ceuta & Melilla 33 M/2 EA9LZ
ER4DX Moldova 15 SOAB RA4LW
FO8RZ French Polynesia 32 SO LoTW
FS/K1XM St. Martin 08
FY5KE French Guiana 09 M/S FY5KE Buro
G6PZ England 14 M/S G6PZ
GA2MP Scotland 14 SOAB N3SL
GM0B Scotland 14 M/M MM0BHX

HB0/HB9AON Liechtenstein 14 M/? DJ2YE
HQ2W Honduras 07 SOAB HP HQ2W
HS8JYX Thailand 26 SOSB 20M HS8JYX
HS9JSQ Thailand 26 SO QRP HS9JSQ
HS0AC Thailand 26 M/? HS0ZFZ
HT2N Nicaragua 07 SOAB K9NW
IF9A Sicily 15 M/S IT9ATF
IG9R African Italy 33 IK8HCG
IG9S African Italy 33 SOSB IZ8GCE Direct
IO5O Italy 15 M/S IK5RLP
IQ5DY Italy 15 M/S IQ5DY
IR2C Italy 15 M/S IW2HAJ
IR9X Sicily 15 M/S IW9HLM
IR9Y Sicily 15 M/S IT9ABY
J37K Grenada 08 SO AC8G
J68JA St Lucia 08 SOAB W5JON
JT1ZO Mongolia 23 SOAB OH0XX
JU1DX Mongolia 23 M/2 JU1DX
JU75BSI Mongolia 23 M/S JT1CH
KG6DX Guam 27 SOAB HP LoTW
KH0/JK2VOC Mariana Is. 27 SO JK2VOC
KH6/OH7WV Hawaii 31 SOSB 20M Auto Buro
KP4KE Puerto Rico 08 SOAB OK1DOT
L73D Argentina 13 M/S EA5KB
L73DX Argentina 13 SOAB LP LU7DUE
LA9Z Norway 14 SOSB LA9Z
LN3Z Norway 14 M/S LA9VDA
LN9Z Norway 14 SOSB 20M LA9Z
LP1H Argentina 13 M/S EA5KB
LQ0F Argentina 13 SOSB 15M EA5KB
LS1D Argentina 13 M/S LW9EOC
LX7I Luxembourg 14 SOSB 20M LX2A
LY7A Lithuania 15 M/M LoTW
LZ9W Bulgaria 20 M/M LZ9W Buro
NP2B Virgin Is. 08 M/S
NP4Z Puerto Rico 08 SO HP WC4E
OE2S Austria 15 M/S LoTW
OH8X Finland 15 SOAB HP OH2UA
OH0Z Aland Is. 15 M/M W0MM
OL7R Czech Republic 15 M/M OK1WMV
OL7T Czech Republic 15 M/S OK2BXU
OY3AA Faroe Is. 14 SOAB HP OZ1ACB
OZ5E Denmark 14 M/2 OZ5E
P33W Cyprus 20 M/S RA3AUU
PA9M Netherlands 14 SOSB 80M PA9M
PJ2T Netherlands Antilles 09 M/M LoTW
PJ4K Netherlands Antilles 09 M/2 ZP5AZL
PJ7/AH8DX St Maarten 08 SOAB LoTW
PQ5B Brazil 11 M/S PP5JD
PW2D Brazil 11 M/S PY2ZXU

PZ5M Surinam 09 SOAB HP AJ9C
RK3K Russia (Europe) 16 M/S RX3OM
RL4R Russia (Europe) 16 SOSB 40M LoTW
RW2F Kaliningrad 15 M/? DK4VW
S79MI Seychelles 39 LoTW
SI9AM Sweden 14 M/? SI9AM Buro
SN40DVP Sweden 14 SOSB 40M SP6DVP
ST2KSS Sudan 34 SOSB 15M
T46A Cuba 08 M/S CO6LP
T88KP Palau 27 SO JR8DHE
TF3CW Iceland 40 SOSB 40M LX1NO
TI5N Costa Rica 07 M/S W3HNK
TI8M Costa Rica 07 M/2 TI2KAC
TK/IV3UHL Corsica 15 SOSB 20M IV3UHL
TK9R Corsica 15 SOAB IK8UND Direct
TM1O France 14 M/2 F1IKA
TM2S France 14 M/S
TO7A Martinique 08 SOAB HP UT5UGR
TS9A Tunisia 33 M/? TS9A Buro
TY1MS Benin 35 M/? PA3AWW
V25Z Antigua & Barbuda 08 LoTW
V26B Antigua & Barbuda 08 M/? KA2AEV Direct
V31MW Belize 07 SOAB HP LoTW
V6B Micronesia 27 M/S LoTW
VC2Z Canada 05 M/S VE2BR
VE2IM Canada 02 SOAB HP VE3DZ
VE2DXY Canada 02 M/2 KD3RF
VK4KW Australia 30 M/? N3SL
VK6HZ Australia 29 SO HP VK6NE
VK8NSB Australia 29 SOAB VK6NE
VP2MDG Montserrat 08 M/S K2DM
VP2V/KN5H Br Virgin Is. 08 M/S KN5H
VP5T Turk & Caicos 08 M/M LoTW
VR2C Hong Kong 24 M/S LoTW
VU2PAI India 22 M/S VU2PAI
W3TB/VP9 Bermuda 05 SOAB W3TB
XR6T Chile 12 M/2 CE3FED Buro
XU7KOH Cambodia 26 M/S ON7PP Direct
YE2R Indonesia 28 M/2 EB7DX
YE0X Indonesia 28 M/? YE0X
YM3A Turkey 20 SOSB LZ1NK
YS1YS El Salvador 07 M/S YS1GMV
Z37M Macedonia 15 M/? MDXC
ZF2AH Cayman Is. 08 W6VNR
ZM2M New Zealand 32 M/2 ZL2AL
ZM4A New Zealand 32 M/S ZL4AA
ZP0R Paraguay 11 SOAB ZP5AZL
ZS9X South Africa 38 M/? K3IRV
ZV5A Brazil 11 SOSB 40M
ZY7C Brazil 11 M/2 PT7WA

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11504. Re: [DX-IS] BTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 21:55:53 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11493 Message: 11504

Rene;

Ever been checked up for that? Sounds like a very strange way to operate.....

Dale

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 23, 2009 11:42:23 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BTW

☐
Hope Springs Eternal! The good ole days - yup - vaguely remember that. That's where I worked 200+ countries and 39 zones on the CQWWSSB weekend and without spotting devises. That means I tuned the band and found my own DX;-)

73 de Rene
p.s. I think most of us would like the SFI above 150 .... ..

----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 23, 2009 4:24 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BTW

☐
Rene would love to see the SFI above 150 ... like the old days.

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 11:57 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BTW

☐
If the SFI stays at 72 or goes up a bit, I'll be there;-)
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:24 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] BTW

Hope to see most of you this weekend.......Best of luck!

(maybe even a new one?)

Dale K8TS

11505. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-23 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11505

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 23 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 296 Issued at 2200Z on 23 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 22/2100Z
to 23/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
New Region 1029 (N14E14) was numbered. Region 1029 is a nine-spot
bi-polar sunspot group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 22/2100Z to 23/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels. Solar wind
speed ranged from approximately 370 to 400 km/s, while Bz reached a
minimum of -9 nT.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be mostly quiet to unsettled with isolated active
periods for the next two days (24 - 25 October) in response to a
recurrent coronal hole high speed stream. Quiet conditions are
expected on day three (26 October).
III. Event Probabilities 24 Oct-26 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 Oct 073
Predicted 24 Oct-26 Oct 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 23 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 22 Oct 012/014
Estimated Afr/Ap 23 Oct 010/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 24 Oct-26 Oct 010/010-010/010-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 24 Oct-26 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/10/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11506. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-24 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11506

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:Issued: 2009 Oct 24 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 297 Issued at 2200Z on 24 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were detected.
Region 1029 (N14W01) is now a 13-spot bipolar sunspot group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was mostly quiet. One period of unsettled
conditions was observed between 1800 - 2100Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet to unsettled on day one (25 October) in
response to a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream. Quiet
conditions are expected on days two and three (26 - 27 October).
III. Event Probabilities 25 Oct-27 Oct
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 Oct 076
Predicted 25 Oct-27 Oct 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 24 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 Oct 007/008
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11507. A new award

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 13:36:59 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11507 Message: 11507

One of the Local QRPers was by yesterday. He beat his way up the hill and pulled up a chair on the veranda. The spring weather was here, and the temperatures were warming up. This particular QRPer looked like he'd had a few extra helpings at the dinner table during the cold months, for he was puffing and sweating a bit more than usual. He had the knowing look of someone who had just discovered a secret.

He looked around a bit, and then he began in a soft voice, "I've got two more", he said quietly, holding up his hand with two fingers raised to emphasize his point, "the two I've been waiting for." He was starting to smile, and he had the look of one who had just found out he'd won something.

We patted him on the back and said, "Congratulations! Once you get past the 200 mark, new ones are hard to come by. What ones were they? Did you work them in the contest?" The QRPer looked around for a moment and then said, "No, no! Not two new ones. Two more that don't count. Remember that operation from the Pacific last fall? The DXCC desk is sending back the cards indicating there is no documentation. As it stands now, they don't count for DXCC!"

We were confused, for in past years when this QRPer had cards rejected, he was particularly upset, often threatening to not renew his membership in the ARRL. "And why is this a good thing?", we asked, "a lot of Dxers worked those islands, and if they don't count, everyone will be disappointed."

"That's because they do not know about the new award!", he said quickly, jumping up and then catching himself quickly, and sitting down again. "Shhh!", he whispered, putting his finger over his lips. "We have to be careful or word will get out, and we want to be the first few to get it. Imagine! Being in among the first few serial numbers! A lot of the fellows tear up their QSLs when they find out they don't count. I kept all of mine, and I had almost 100 since I began in 1985. I just needed two more, and these ones do it!"

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11508. Re: [DX-IS] A new award

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 13:53:52 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11507 Message: 11508

Hopefully 7O1YGF wasn't in his pile of "No Good, Doesn't Count" QSLs. If it was, he just lost his #100.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 10/25/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net>
Subject: [DX-IS] A new award
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sunday, October 25, 2009, 8:36 AM

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11509. K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 14:17:30 UTC
From: Robert
Topic: 11509 Message: 11509

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11510. RE: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 16:00:01 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11509 Message: 11510

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73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Robert
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 11:18 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11511. RE: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 16:24:49 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 11509 Message: 11511

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11512. Re: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 16:40:36 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11509 Message: 11512

YES but if you belong to INDEXA,.....

they dont Give the DXPEDITION there membership roster, we STILL have to wait ! I complained about that but they dont seem to care,
so I am joining the Magnolia DX ASS..... I suppose INDEXA has there reasons.

Joey W5TFW
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11513. RE: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 16:44:41 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11509 Message: 11513

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 17:14:15 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11509 Message: 11514

Huh? Way tooooooooo many things not politically correct. Try 'First Nations summer or Native American summer;-) The one thing I remember in L.A. that stayed the same was 'manhole covers' as the women conceded to this one.

Even with SFI at 76 I hear nuthin this morning on 10 metres. Yesterday afternoon I workekd a KH7, A31 & a VK4 as that was all I was hearing. The KH7 was S9 on the side of my beam and the other two did not move the S meter.

Happy DXing - Rene
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11515. RE: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 17:42:46 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11509 Message: 11515

Al,

You bring up a good point. For those of us who started DXing before Algore invented the internet, we were used to waiting months or longer to get a QSL, and that was the only way you know you made it in the log-no on line log searches to see if your QSO made earlier that day was good. You just worked them and hoped for the best.

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11516. RE: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 17:51:08 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11509 Message: 11516

I haven't been in the contest at all this weekend, Rene. But I was somewhat disappointed when I tuned across 17 late this morning and heard virtually nothing. I'm listening to 15 right now but there's not enough activity to turn my crank, so to speak.

Indian Summer works for me, I walk on manhole covers and I think political correctness is a farce.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 2:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M

Huh? Way tooooooooo many things not politically correct. Try 'First Nations summer or Native American summer;-) The one thing I remember in L.A. that stayed the same was 'manhole covers' as the women conceded to this one.

Even with SFI at 76 I hear nuthin this morning on 10 metres. Yesterday afternoon I workekd a KH7, A31 & a VK4 as that was all I was hearing. The KH7 was S9 on the side of my beam and the other two did not move the S meter.

Happy DXing - Rene

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Date: 2009-10-25 17:59:56 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11509 Message: 11517

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Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 10:42 AM
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Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 11:18 AM
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11518. RE: [DX-IS] A new award

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 18:09:00 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11507 Message: 11518

One of your best, Paul!

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 9:37 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] A new award

One of the Local QRPers was by yesterday. He beat his way up the hill and pulled up a chair on the veranda. The spring weather was here, and the temperatures were warming up. This particular QRPer looked like he'd had a few extra helpings at the dinner table during the cold months, for he was puffing and sweating a bit more than usual. He had the knowing look of someone who had just discovered a secret.

He looked around a bit, and then he began in a soft voice, "I've got two more", he said quietly, holding up his hand with two fingers raised to emphasize his point, "the two I've been waiting for." He was starting to smile, and he had the look of one who had just found out he'd won something.

We patted him on the back and said, "Congratulations! Once you get past the 200 mark, new ones are hard to come by. What ones were they? Did you work them in the contest?" The QRPer looked around for a moment and then said, "No, no! Not two new ones. Two more that don't count. Remember that operation from the Pacific last fall? The DXCC desk is sending back the cards indicating there is no documentation. As it stands now, they don't count for DXCC!"

We were confused, for in past years when this QRPer had cards rejected, he was particularly upset, often threatening to not renew his membership in the ARRL. "And why is this a good thing?", we asked, "a lot of Dxers worked those islands, and if they don't count, everyone will be disappointed."

"That's because they do not know about the new award!", he said quickly, jumping up and then catching himself quickly, and sitting down again. "Shhh!", he whispered, putting his finger over his lips. "We have to be careful or word will get out, and we want to be the first few to get it. Imagine! Being in among the first few serial numbers! A lot of the fellows tear up their QSLs when they

find out they don't count. I kept all of mine, and I had almost 100 since I began in 1985. I just needed two more, and these ones do it!"

"Huh?" we asked, "what award? If they are not counters, they are no good. No one is going to give you an award for that. Where did you hear that nonsense?" "After the DX Club meeting last night!", he whispered, "I got it directly from one of the fellows who used to be a field checker for the DXCC program, and he got it from the guy who used to live next door to the guy who was the ARRL section manager until a couple of years ago. And he said that it came directly from NC1L. It doesn't get any better than that!"

We were starting to think that this was a lot more than hearsay . . . it was hearsay times three! But we put forth our poker face and said, "Tell us more." He looked around again and said, "OK, but this is just between you and me. Apparently the DXCC is trying to drum up a bit more activity, and they are getting ready to announce the new award come the first of the April. It's the DCNG award! It stands for Doesn't Count, No Good. And like the DXCC, you need 100 bad ones to get a certificate."

"I saved all my no-counters. I have all of the ones Romeo sent out, and all of the ones from those African and Middle East countries that the DXCC rejected. Most DXers only have P5RS7 `cuz that was the most famous one. But I have all the ones from the false starts when Eritrea became a new country. The ones before Carl and Martha activated it for the first counter. I even have a few from those South African Homelands that everyone thought would be good ones! And one from a 5R station who had no license. I have a card from Bougainville. I even have the first KH8SI QSL from 2005. My last ones were the Montenegro QSLs dated before 4 July 2006. I have 7 of those! And these two make an even 100!"

"That's ridiculous!" we replied, not taking the care to keep our voice down, "why do you believe all of this stuff? The ARRL isn't going to give you a certificate for QSLs that are no good."

"Don't talk so loud!", he snapped, waving his finger back and forth. "If you don't want to send in for it, fine. If you don't have enough bad cards, too bad. I'm sending mine in by registered mail and as soon as the arrival date is logged into the DXCC computer, I'll have a low serial number. Maybe even #1 !!"

"When did you say this became effective?, we asked. "April 1st" was the quick reply. "That's interesting", we said, "and why do you suppose the fellow at the DX Club told you that date?"

The QRPer stared at us with a knowing look, "Everyone can figure that one out", he said with a condescending smirk, "it's the start of the new fiscal year. All big organizations, even governments, run from the end of March one year until the end of March next year. It's the start of the 20010-2011 fiscal year. That's the main

reason why I know it's for real!"

And with that he was off down the hill, ready to take his package of useless cards to the post office. We watched him clear the end of the lane and make his way around the turn. Some times it is best to let nature take its course, and this was one of them. We were starting to wonder how Bill would react when he got 100 bad QSLs with the package dated April 1st. Son of a Gun! These are trying times when the flux is at the bottom and the Low Days of DXing are upon us. The QRPers are uneasy, and it doesn't take a lot to get them stirred up. DX IS!

73, Paul VE1DX

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11519. Re: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 18:45:48 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11509 Message: 11519

2 years was a pretty good turn around rate for Box 88. Got KP1 confirmed on 15 CW a few months ago 24 years after the QSO.

73s John AA5JG

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11520. RE: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 18:46:26 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11509 Message: 11520

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Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11521. Re: K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 19:21:59 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11509 Message: 11521

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I especially like the electronic QSL which lets my mailing cost drop right to them.

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Date: 2009-10-25 19:33:54 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11509 Message: 11522

I was just kiddin', Dick. I was trying to make Bob feel good!!!

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dick Flanagan
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Date: 2009-10-25 19:36:13 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11509 Message: 11523

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob" <kb1jzu@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 12:21 PM
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Especially when I ran my 4kv at 1 amp amp;-)
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Yup, but ask any QSL manager, like Don, what people [don't] send...
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> Bob KB1JZU
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Rene

11524. Re: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 19:57:54 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11509 Message: 11524

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11525. EW1EA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 20:33:11 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 11525 Message: 11525

ANYONE HAVE CURRENT EMAIL FOR GENA OR NEW ADDRESS? BOTH BUCK AND QRZ
ARE DEAD LINKS. THANKS, BUZZ N5UR

11526. Re: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 20:40:14 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11509 Message: 11526

I will trade you all 3 of my K4M QSLs (when I get them) for a FT5GA QSL on any band and mode.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 10/25/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M
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11527. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11527

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 25 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 298 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Region 1029 (N14W12) produced
several B-class events and a C1.5 flare at 25/0226Z. Region 1028
(N24W10) continues to decay.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low
with a slight chance of an M-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was quiet to unsettled.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic activity is
expected to be quiet through the forecast period (26-28 October) due
to the coronal hole high speed stream rotating out of a geoeffective
position.
III. Event Probabilities 26 Oct-28 Oct
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Oct 076
Predicted 26 Oct-28 Oct 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 25 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Oct 005/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Oct 008/010
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Oct-28 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Oct-28 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11528. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-25 23:06:23 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9721 Message: 11528

Paul Dunphy wrote:
:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical ActivityIssued: 2009 Oct 25 2200 UTC
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> # Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
> # Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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OH WOW!!! SFI = 76. 15 & 10 have been absolutely wonderful this afternoon.

How sweet it is!

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11529. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 00:10:46 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9721 Message: 11529

Ah, Mike -- you had to say that! Way up here in the northeast, I found conditions to be considerably less than spectacular. Yes, 15 was open, but there was nothing out of the ordinary that would not have been there except for the contest. I didn't even bother to look at 10M.

On the other hand, I'm glad you enjoyed it and I hope tomorrow will be better and that I, at least, will see some of the residual :-).

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Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 8:06 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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11530. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 01:20:09 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 9721 Message: 11530

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11531. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 01:23:26 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 9721 Message: 11531

5 land musta been great but up here in NorCal not so good. I worked a ZM, E5 and heard a A3 - that was it on 10 metres.
rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 6:20 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.423 / Virus Database: 270.14.31/2458 - Release Date: 10/25/09
08:10:00

11532. K4M News Flash

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 01:34:11 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 11532 Message: 11532

For those who made a Pre-Expedition donation to K4M, the LOTW files have
been uploaded. I uploaded my contacts this evening and the
confirmations are there.

73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11533. Re: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 02:01:55 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 11509 Message: 11533

Robert wrote:
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> Wow....
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> K4M just QSL'd on LoTW that has got to be a record for a DXpedition.
> Might be limited to those who gave a donation?
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> Bob KB1JZU
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Yes, that is the case. On the donations page it clearly stated that
those who made a contribution BEFORE the expedition started would
receive confirmation via LOTW immediately after the end of the operation.

73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11534. Re: [DX-IS] K4M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 02:53:24 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11509 Message: 11534

I was going to take care of all the backlogging and donating stuff this week while on vacation. Guess I'm SOL. I do keep my INDEXA dues paid, but looks like that don't count. They sure put on a first class expedition though, perhaps one of the best I can remember.

Dale K8TS

BTW : 15m was the backhorse of my contest operations.....probably close to 40% of q's

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 10:01:55 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K4M

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11535. Who's got Vista?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 03:00:33 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11535 Message: 11535

Am using contest log from N3FJP and wrote my .cab file. Seems that it has fell into a big black hole. Emailed Scott and he says that he has had no reports of problems with Vista.

Can't find the little dog to search for them (real easy when by date) either. Know it is probable a little off subject, but anyone else had this problem?

Dale K8TS

11536. Re: K4M and LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 05:25:51 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 11536 Message: 11536

I don't know as that it is totally correct that you had to make a donation prior to their departure. I made my donation via PayPal towards the end of their operation and my QSO's showed up in LOTW. The only other posibilty was the DX club I belong to (Mile High DX Assn) made a donation.

In any case, it was sure nice to see the confirmation so fast!

Dick K8ZTT

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 7:34 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] K4M News Flash

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confirmations are there.

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11537. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-26 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11537

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 26 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 299 Issued at 2200Z on 26 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 25/2100Z
to 26/2100Z: Solar activity was low. A C1 flare was observed at
26/1906Z from Region 1029 (N16W29).
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low
with a slight chance of an M-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 25/2100Z to 26/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic activity is
expected to be quiet.
III. Event Probabilities 27 Oct-29 Oct
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 26 Oct 081
Predicted 27 Oct-29 Oct 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 26 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 Oct 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 Oct 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 Oct-29 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 Oct-29 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 00/00/00
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11538. WOW! Look at this!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 04:28:31 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11538 Message: 11538
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Now if this wudda been the SFI for the past weekend.....
Oh well...
Rene

11539. WOW!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 11:29:10 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 4774 Message: 11539

Holy Moley Gang.

Look at that. 6:26 AM CDT; SFI = 81!!!!!!

Wahoo! Let it all hang out. See you on 10 meters.

73,
Mike, W5UC
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11540. FT5GA now on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 13:45:48 UTC
From: bill_w4zv
Topic: 11540 Message: 11540

Wow...already there and my DXCC endorsements for 80/160 already submitted. LOTW is so easy but I still want the paper QSLs.

73, Bill W4ZV

11541. Re: FT5GA now on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 13:50:15 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11540 Message: 11541

Just keeps getting better....

2 bands/2 modes also came through on LoTW this morning
and I worked Saudi Arabia on 12 meters phone from NE USA.

Looking up

Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "bill_w4zv" <btippett@...> wrote:
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11542. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA now on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 14:31:09 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11540 Message: 11542

ditto Bill!
Lotw added a lot of extra interest for the hobby, but the real smiles
come in my mailbox!
73 frank w0ecs

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11543. Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 20:18:54 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11543 Message: 11543

...from another list:

Geeez....look at all the false spots from the braggers today. This is why I never run audio announce on SpotCollector

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11544. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 20:29:23 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11543 Message: 11544

Cheesh!!!

I was happy to get ONE LoTW confirmation from FT5GA. Now I'm not going to bother mailing a QSL. I didn't get them anywhere I really wanted them :-(

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 5:19 PM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

...from another list:

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11545. Re: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 20:30:41 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11543 Message: 11545

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in all the QRM'ing and jamming of DXpeditions that take place.

At least for a while it was a god thing ...

73, Zack W9SZ

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11546. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 20:39:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11543 Message: 11546

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 5:31 PM
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11547. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 21:07:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11543 Message: 11547

Wait until next weekend when the sweepstakes leads to tons of US to US spots.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Tue, 10/27/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...k.ca> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2009, 3:39 PM

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11548. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 21:15:07 UTC
From: Richard DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11543 Message: 11548

Well, not to be quick, but the Spotting cluster system was created by contest operators for contest operators.....AK1A created it for use by the Yankee Clipper Contest Club...

73 Rich NN3W

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From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 5:07 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

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11549. :False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 21:19:11 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11549 Message: 11549

thats a VERY GOOD point !

:-)

----- Original Message -----
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2009, 3:39 PM

Gotta agree, Zack. I heard an ST2 on 17 CW just before the contest last weekend and was in the process of making a QSO (I have a puny signal on that band). A W1 ignored the ST2s attempt to complete my QSO and worked him over the top of me and then spotted him. I fault the OK operator for not completing the QSO with me but after the spot all hell broke loose in milliseconds and he was never able to get my call. I lost out on a new band/mode country on 17 because of the f*%*#&g cluster.

And today the cluster has been virtually useless as well. Just look at the brag spots for FT5GA, the phoney P5 spots, the K2s spotting EU on 17 and W4s spotting the Caribbean on 17, etc. If you live on the east coast you simply don't spot every day run-of-the-mill Europeans on ANY band.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 5:31 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

I think the 'cluster has become all but useless. It is probably instrumental in all the QRM'ing and jamming of DXpeditions that take place.

At least for a while it was a god thing ...

73, Zack W9SZ

11550. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 21:19:34 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11543 Message: 11550

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11551. D44TXO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 21:42:39 UTC
From: w1ebi
Topic: 11551 Message: 11551

Has anyone received a QSL? I sent a card to DJ2VO's Bonn address listed for D44TXO on QRZ.com (that page was created last March at the time of his operation in D4), but it was returned as "insufficient address". There is a different Bonn address for DJ2VO on QRZ.com. My email to his darc.de address got no reply.

George W1EBI

11552. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 21:58:44 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11543 Message: 11552

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 6:20 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

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11553. Re: FT5GA now on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:08:17 UTC
From: bill_w4zv
Topic: 11540 Message: 11553

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "bill_w4zv" <btippett@...> wrote:
>
> Wow...already there and my DXCC endorsements for 80/160 already submitted. LOTW is so easy but I still want the paper QSLs.

Another wow! ARRL accepted **and credited*** my 80/160 standings the same day! Fastest turn-around ever...less than 8 hours from submission to credit. LOTW really makes this unbelievably easy!

73, Bill W4ZV

11554. Re: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:09:47 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11543 Message: 11554

For most of us with average stations (with a amp and tri-band beam a 50' or QRP and vertical) the cluster spots are not a real time aid.... but I've found the spot history of DX stations when reviewed and analyzed has led me to discover when and where to be to work many new ones. That includes P5/4L4FN, VK0LD, SV2ASP/A, and a bunch of others.

Sometimes though its the spots from some distant place that lets me know the DX is operating and where so I can figure out if I might be able to work him later even though I can't now. DX, like other things in life, is a matter of pace; take a deep breath, it isn't a sprint, it's a Marathon!

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 4:19 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

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11555. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11555

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 27 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 300 Issued at 2200Z on 27 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Region 1029 (N15W45) produced
several C-class events, the largest being a C 1.7 at 0924Z.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low.
C-class events are expected from Region 1029.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet.
III. Event Probabilities 28 Oct-30 Oct
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 Oct 082
Predicted 28 Oct-30 Oct 082/082/078
90 Day Mean 27 Oct 069
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 26 Oct 003/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 27 Oct 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 Oct-30 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 Oct-30 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11556. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:18:02 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11543 Message: 11556

--- On Tue, 10/27/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

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73s John AA5JG

11557. False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:19:14 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11557 Message: 11557

Oh this is MY pet piev,

" YOUR 599, what is your CALL ? ""

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11558. Re: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:40:01 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11543 Message: 11558

I've addressed that to deaf ears. Many today rely on the clusters for their DX and don't realize how the spot got there and god forbid the cluster goes down, they then go to work or the store or yard work. I'm glad I started prior to all that - but the one ringer was around...
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 3:18 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

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11559. Re: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:44:32 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11543 Message: 11559

Well, I suspected the Pee Five was coming up so I tuned up and down 10 metres until, bingo! I found him and worked him with little effort. Then he was spotted and all hell broke loose. My S meter went to +30 and stayed there - dunno how anyone could've made a contact much less hear him. I know - the 'real' challenge is having a rare DX spotted and then try to break the pileup .... ..
rene
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11560. Re: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:46:53 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11543 Message: 11560

So, Al, go find Seymour to chat with and all yur troubles are over with!
rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 2:58 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

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11561. SFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:52:51 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 4450 Message: 11561

Getting better!
SFI - 82, A -Ø. K -2 reported at 2100 hours GMT (for you oldtimers)
Rene

- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

11562. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 22:58:21 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11543 Message: 11562

If you'da read my post, John, you'da seen that it doesn't always work!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 7:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11563. RE: [DX-IS] Fw:False Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 23:00:20 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11543 Message: 11563

Yeah, Seymour. He's the answer!!!!!

73

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11564. Re: [DX-IS] SFI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 23:03:08 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 4450 Message: 11564

82 !

OMG,..... someone call a Doctor I feel FAINT !

:-)
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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
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11565. begging for qso's on the cluster

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-27 23:26:54 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11565 Message: 11565

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11566. Re: [DX-IS] begging for qso's on the cluster

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 00:01:34 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11565 Message: 11566

Stop trying to confuse those spotters with facts!

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--- On Tue, 10/27/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

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11567. begging for qso's on the cluster

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 00:03:16 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11565 Message: 11567

I just " KNEW " somehow, I was going to be wrong ! I always end up being WRONG ! :-(

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 7:01 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] begging for qso's on the cluster

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11568. New kind of operating proceedure?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 01:27:53 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11568 Message: 11568

Working 15 (I think) on Sunday and ran upon a huge pile......so I stopped to through my call into the bucket (I'm a S & P guy). Lets tail end the calls and be the last heard. His next call "3's only" and he ID' rather infreakingly (sp?). Still needed him so I thought I would hang around. He diddle-dattled around to the 6's, 7's AND then went QRZ! I guess 8-9-0 are not used in his country.Being rather PO'ed, I stuped down to the level of a lid, and said a few things (with the mic on, and intended to be) about his operation. Lost half an hour on this jerk.

Going by the numbers in a contest?

As I twattled down the band, I found another station from his country and worked him within a few minutes.

An it was just a Central American country.......I just happened to need it.

New kind of LID maybe?

Dale

K 8 TS

11569. Re: [DX-IS] New kind of operating procedure?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 01:35:41 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11569 Message: 11569

Sounds like my favorite TG9.

Dick

At 06:27 PM 10/27/2009, Dale Cole K8TS wrote:

>Working 15 (I think) on Sunday and ran upon a huge pile......so I
>stopped to through my call into the bucket (I'm a S & P guy). Lets
>tail end the calls and be the last heard. His next call "3's only"
>and he ID' rather infreakingly (sp?). Still needed him so I thought
>I would hang around. He diddle-dattled around to the 6's, 7's AND
>then went QRZ! I guess 8-9-0 are not used in his country.Being
>rather PO'ed, I stuped down to the level of a lid, and said a few
>things (with the mic on, and intended to be) about his
>operation. Lost half an hour on this jerk.
>
>Going by the numbers in a contest?
>
>As I twattled down the band, I found another station from his
>country and worked him within a few minutes.
>
>An it was just a Central American country.......I just happened to need it.
>
>New kind of LID maybe?
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>Dale
>
>K8TS
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11570. Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 03:29:22 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11570 Message: 11570

Does anyone know what the noise is on 40 meters right now at 7.011.13 CW-USB? The station in BC and myself in Texas are both hearing
it 10 ov 9.

Bob AD5VJ

11571. Re: [DX-IS] Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 03:42:32 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11570 Message: 11571

Bob--

All I hear (little west of Ann Arbor, MI) is an EA cq'ing and what I call "storms" (heavy qsb)

Not sure what you are hearing.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "AD5VJ Bob" <rtnmi@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 11:29:22 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Does anyone know what the noise is on 40 meters right now at 7.011.13 CW-USB? The station in BC and myself in Texas are both hearing
it 10 ov 9.

Bob AD5VJ

11572. Re: [DX-IS] Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 04:13:39 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11570 Message: 11572

Nothing unusual heard in east central Illinois at 0410Z.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 27, 2009 at 9:29 PM, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...> wrote:

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> Does anyone know what the noise is on 40 meters right now at 7.011.13
> CW-USB? The station in BC and myself in Texas are both hearing
> it 10 ov 9.
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> Bob AD5VJ
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11573. RE: [DX-IS] Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 04:35:19 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11570 Message: 11573

Its off and on and when on ---

It sounds like a huge engine cranking up slowly and then increasing in rpm. Very broadbanded.

I listened outside to see if there was a truck or something new around, heard nothing but the night birds.

I am recording it now.

Bob AD5VJ

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 11:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Nothing unusual heard in east central Illinois at 0410Z.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 27, 2009 at 9:29 PM, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...> wrote:

Does anyone know what the noise is on 40 meters right now at 7.011.13 CW-USB? The station in BC and myself in Texas
are both hearing
it 10 ov 9.

Bob AD5VJ

11574. Re: [DX-IS] Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 04:50:02 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11570 Message: 11574

Hmm ... I've had my rcvr parked on that frequency for over an hour while sitting here winding some toroids. Heard my friend K0PFX work an LZ. No unusual noise heard here.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Oct 27, 2009 at 10:35 PM, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...> wrote:

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> Its off and on and when on ---
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> It sounds like a huge engine cranking up slowly and then increasing in rpm.
> Very broadbanded.
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> I listened outside to see if there was a truck or something new around,
> heard nothing but the night birds.
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> I am recording it now.
>
> Bob AD5VJ
> _____
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> [mailto:
> DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
> Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 11:14 PM
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Unidentified noise on 40 meters
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> Nothing unusual heard in east central Illinois at 0410Z.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Tue, Oct 27, 2009 at 9:29 PM, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...<rtnmi%40sbcglobal.net>>
> wrote:
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> Does anyone know what the noise is on 40 meters right now at 7.011.13
> CW-USB? The station in BC and myself in Texas

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> Bob AD5VJ
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11575. Re: Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 10:09:29 UTC
From: M
Topic: 11570 Message: 11575

I heard it here in central NC, thought it was something local and new. Glad it is not just me.

Mark Lunday
WD4ELG

11576. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Unidentified noise on 40 meters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 11:00:37 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11570 Message: 11576

Hi Mark

I was starting to wonder about it myself, thanks for writing in, now I know Im not hearing things and its not my receiver going bad
on me LOL

Bob AD5VJ

> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On
> Behalf Of M
> Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2009 5:09 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Unidentified noise on 40 meters
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> I heard it here in central NC, thought it was something local
> and new. Glad it is not just me.
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> Mark Lunday
> WD4ELG
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11577. Re: [DX-IS] D44TXO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 19:02:23 UTC
From: DE1DXX@aol.com
Topic: 11551 Message: 11577

Hi George,

yes, I got a card for a hearing in March 2009.
Send it via: Juergen Borsdorf, Wachsbleiche 10-12, 53119 Bonn

vy 73
Andreas DE1DXX / DO1DXX

-----Ursprüngliche Mitteilung-----
Von: w1ebi <w1ebi@...>
An: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Verschickt: Di., 27. Okt. 2009, 22:42
Thema: [DX-IS] D44TXO

Has anyone received a QSL? I sent a card to DJ2VO's Bonn address listed for
44TXO on QRZ.com (that page was created last March at the time of his operation
n D4), but it was returned as "insufficient address". There is a different
onn address for DJ2VO on QRZ.com. My email to his darc.de address got no
eply.
George W1EBI

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http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

11578. 15M monobander for sale in ohio

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 19:46:28 UTC
From: mike giddings
Topic: 11578 Message: 11578

Please forgive off topic "Ad"

Anyone in NE Ohio interested in brand new Cushcraft 4 El monobander 15-4CD.GOING CHEAP.PLEASE E-MAIL ME OFF FORUM.
Thanks and 73,
Mike Giddings G3XLB

11579. 8R1DB/1TO 6M QSL'S ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 22:04:07 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11579 Message: 11579
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Anybody get QSL's from this '09 6M dxpedition yet?

73 de Brian/K3KO

11580. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-28 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11580

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 28 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 301 Issued at 2200Z on 28 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 27/2100Z
to 28/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Region 1029 (N16W59) produced
several B-class events and a single C2.2 class flare at 28/0053Z.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 27/2100Z to 28/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet through the period (29 thru 31 October).
III. Event Probabilities 29 Oct-31 Oct
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 28 Oct 080
Predicted 29 Oct-31 Oct 080/078/075
90 Day Mean 28 Oct 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 27 Oct 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 28 Oct 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 29 Oct-31 Oct 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 29 Oct-31 Oct
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11581. Re: [DX-IS] 8R1DB/1TO 6M QSL'S ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-29 04:42:15 UTC
From: R Johnson
Topic: 11579 Message: 11581

NOPE, but i just sent the card yesterday.
Be interesting to see how long it takes.
Wend did you send your request ???

73
Bob, K1VU

At 18:04 10/28/2009, you wrote:
>Anybody get QSL's from this '09 6M dxpedition yet?
>
>73 de Brian/K3KO
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>Yahoo! Groups Links
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>No virus found in this outgoing message.
>Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
>Version: 8.5.423 / Virus Database: 270.14.36/2465 - Release Date: 10/28/09 09:34:00

11582. Re: D44TXO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-29 14:06:12 UTC
From: w1ebi
Topic: 11551 Message: 11582

Thanks for this, Andreas. That is the address I sent my card to, so there must have been a problem with Deutsche Post. I'll send it again.

73, George W1EBI

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, DE1DXX@... wrote:
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> Hi George,
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> yes, I got a card for a hearing in March 2009.
> Send it via: Juergen Borsdorf, Wachsbleiche 10-12, 53119 Bonn
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> vy 73
> Andreas DE1DXX / DO1DXX
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> -----Ursprüngliche Mitteilung-----
> Von: w1ebi <w1ebi@...>
> An: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Verschickt: Di., 27. Okt. 2009, 22:42
> Thema: [DX-IS] D44TXO
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> Has anyone received a QSL? I sent a card to DJ2VO's Bonn address listed for
> 44TXO on QRZ.com (that page was created last March at the time of his operation
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> onn address for DJ2VO on QRZ.com. My email to his darc.de address got no
> eply.
> George W1EBI
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> Individual Email | Traditional
> http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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11583. ARLD043 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-29 21:34:58 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6677 Message: 11583

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DX Bulletin 43 ARLD043
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 29, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD043 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, VK5ZD, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TANZANIA, 5H. Harald, DL7VSN will be QRV as 5H1HS beginning November 1. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using mostly CW and RTTY. QSL to home call.

GUYANA, 8R. Operators Edi, PU8TEP, Abilio, PV8AZ, Paulo, PV8DX, Anderson, PY2TNT, Alex, PY2WAS, Iva, PV8IG and Ivan, PY1YB will be QRV as 8R1PY from Lethem city from October 31 to November 4. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via PY2WAS.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Mike, ZS6TAF is QRV as C91BA from the capital of Maputo. Activity is generally on 80 to 6 meters. QSL to home call.

EASTER ISLAND, CE0. Operators Marco, CE6TBN, Leszek, NI1L, Zbig, SP7HOV, Art, PA3C, Stan, SQ8X and Victoria, SV2KBS will be QRV as XR0Y from October 31 to November 15. Activity will be on all bands with three stations active simultaneously with an emphasis on 160, 80 and 40 meters using mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via operators' instructions.

CROZET ISLAND, FT/W. Florentin, F4DYW is QRV as FT5WO and is active until November 15. He is generally active on 20 and 17 meters between 0600 to 1300z. QSL to home call.

GUINEA-BISSAU, J5. Joao, CT2GQA is QRV from here for the next five years. He is active as J5JUA on 80 and 40 meters and J5GQZ on 20 and 17 meters. QSL to home call.

MONGOLIA, JT. Special event station JU75BSI is QRV until November 30 in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Mongolian Border Service Institute. QSL via JT1CH.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event call PB65BP is QRV until November 11 in celebration of the 65th anniversary of the liberation of Breda. QSL via PA1WLB.

ICELAND, TF. Rene, DL2JRM will be QRV as TF/DL2JRM/p from October 31 to November 2. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

MALI, TZ. Mac, JA8SLU will be QRV as TZ6JA from November 2 to 23. Activity will be on the HF band using only SSB. QSL direct to home call.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Special event station VI50LZ will be QRV from October 31 to November 8 in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via bureau.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Operators Tom, DL2RUM, Rudi, DM2XO and Jan, DJ8NK will be QRV as VP2MUM, VP2MXO and VP2MNK, respectively, from November 3 to 15. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

VIET NAM, XV. Operators Manfred, DK1BT, Wolf, DL4WK, Andy, DL5CW, Sigi, DL7DF and Frank, DL7UFR will be QRV as XV4D from Phu Quoc Island, IOTA AS-128, from November 4 to 17. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK. QSL via DL7DF.

VANUATU, YJ. Tomas, VK2CCC will be QRV as YJ0CCC from Efate Island, IOTA OC-035, from October 30 to November 5. Activity will be on 160 an 80 meters using mainly CW. QSL to home call.

ZIMBABWE, Z2. Fernando, EA4BB is QRV as Z21BB and is active from Harare for two years while on work assignment. He plans to be active on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via W3HNK.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Conway Reef, 3D20CR and 3D2CV, 2009 operations; Midway Island, K4M, 2009 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC Sprint and High Speed Club CW Contest are all on tap for this weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for November 3. Please see October QST, page 78, November QST, page 86, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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11584. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-29 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11584

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 29 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 302 Issued at 2200Z on 29 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 28/2100Z
to 29/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1029 (N17W71)
produced several B-class flares during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 28/2100Z to 29/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was mostly quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (30 October - 01
November).
III. Event Probabilities 30 Oct-01 Nov
Class M 05/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 29 Oct 077
Predicted 30 Oct-01 Nov 078/075/075
90 Day Mean 29 Oct 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 28 Oct 003/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 29 Oct 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 30 Oct-01 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 30 Oct-01 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11585. [425ENG] 425 DX News #965

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-30 16:36:16 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11585 Message: 11585

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No 965
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5H - Harald, DL7VSN (5H1HS) will be touring Tanzania in November, and will operate mainly CW and RTTY on the HF bands with 100 watts and various dipoles. He will be QRV probably from 1 November from the Kilimanjaro area, and from 18 November from Serengeti and Tarangire National Park. If flight/boat plans go well, he will also try to go and operate from an IOTA group for one or two days. QSL via home call. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
9J - Niko, S53A will be active again as 9J3A from Zambia on 25-30 November, CQ WW DX CW Contest included. QSL direct to S57S. [TNX NG3K]
CE_ant - Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the indipendence of Chile, the Radio Club de Concepcion (http://www.ce5ja.cl/) will operate as XR9JA from the Chilean Navy Base "Arturo Prat" on Greenwich Island, South Shetlands (AN-010) on 10-25 January 2010. The operators will be Dago/CE5COX, Carlos/CE6UFF, Luis/XQ5CIE and Didier/F6DXE. They plan to operate on all bands SSB, CW and PSK31, plus Satellite AO-51. QSL via CE5JA, direct or bureau. [TNX CE1KR]
CE0Y - Announced frequencies for the 31 October-15 November XR0Y DXpedition to Easter Island [425DXN 957] are as follows:
CW 1826, 3505, 7005, 10120, 14005, 18073, 21005, 24893, 28023
RTTY 3580, 7034, 14091, 18102, 21083, 24923, 28085
SSB 1843, 3725, 7075, 14200, 18140, 21295, 24935, 28480
There are three QSL routes. [1] Stan, SQ8X will handle cards for Europe, Asia, Africa and Oceania (direct and bureau). [2] The Radio Club de Chile will handle cards for North, Central and South America (direct and bureau). [3] An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be activated on the expedition's website when XR0Y gets on the air. In addition, the XR0Y logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL sometime in 2010. Please visit http://rapanui2009.org/ for updates, further information and details on QSLling policy.
ES - Ben, OZ5AAH will operate CW and SSB as ES1/OZ5IPA from Estonia for the International Police Association Contest (7-8 November, rules at http://www.ipa-rc.de). QSL via OZ5AAH. [TNX The Daily DX]

F - The Radio Club Havrais (F8KHN) will be active as TM1TJV will be activated on 4-8 November for the Transat Jacques Vabre, the yachting race on the coffee trading route between Le Havre (France) and Puerto Limon (Costa Rica). [TNX F8REF]
F - Look for Didier, F4ELJ/p to be active from Wrac'h Island (not IOTA) and lighthouse on 7-8 November. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F4ELJ]
FK/C - The TX3A license for the Chesterfield DXpedition [425DXN 962] has been extended, and AA7JV and HA7RY will be able to use that callsign from 2 November until 6 December. George and Tomi left Gladstone (Queensland) on 26 October and reached Suamarez Reef the day after. They had to stop there to wait for the weather to improve; hopefully the voyage will be resumed on Saturday with TX3A being expected to be QRV by 3 November in the local evening hours. QSL via HA7RY. Bookmark http://tx3a.com/ for regular updates.
GD - Tom, GM4FDM and Ronald, PA3EWP will be active as GD4FDM and MD/PA3EWP from the Isle of Man (EU-116) on 6-9 November. They will concentrate on the low bands CW, and Tom will do some RTTY as well. QSL GD4FDM via GM4FDM, QSL MD/PA3EWP via PA7FM. [TNX The Daily DX]
HB0 - Kazik (DL2SBY), Tomi (HA4DX) and Laci (HA0HW) will be active as HB0/homecall from Masessa, Liechtenstein on 6-13 November. They plan to operate CW and some SSB with three stations, and to concentrate on 160, 80 and 40 metres. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX HA0HW]
KP2 - Look for KP2/K1ZE, KP2/N3XF and KP2/W1EQ to be active from St. Croix, US Virgin Islands on 4-11 November. QSL via home calls and LoTW. They will operate CW, SSB and possibly RTTY on 160-10 metres, and will participate in the ARRL CW Sweepstakes (7-9 November) as KP2M (QSL via AI4U). [TNX NG3K]
LY - Orlando, PY2TJ, will be active on the HF bands as LU/PY2TJ from Tierra del Fuego (SA-008) on 1-7 November. QSL via PT2OP. [TNX www.dx-hamspirit.com]
PY - Special callsign PW2SIDC will be in use from several Brazilian States, including Fernando de Noronha, until 22 November to celebrate the V Seminario Internacional de Defesa Civil to be held in Sao Paulo. QSL via PS7YL, direct or bureau. [TNX PS7YL]
PY - Fred, PY2XB and Alex, PY2WAS will be active as PW2IO and PW2TA respectively from Cabras Island (SA-071) on 19-23 November. They will operate SSB and CW with two separate stations, mainly on 15, 17, 20, 30 and 40 metres. Landing on the island is difficult and the operation may be postponed in case of bad weather. QSL PW2IO via PT7WA, QSL PW2TA via PY2WAS. [TNX PT7WA]
SM - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physiscs awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, eight special callsigns (SI0GM, SI1GM, SI2GM, SI3GM, SI4GM, SI5GM, SI6GM and SI7GM) will be aired from Sweden between 9 November and 10 December. Details on the relevant award offered by the Swedish Amateur Radio Society can be found at http://awardmanager.se/

T8 - Pista, HA5AO will be active as T88CI from Koror (OC-009), Palau between 25 November and 10 December. He plans to operate holiday style mainly CW on 80-10 metres, and to participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch will be available at http://ha5ao.novolab.hu/ [TNX HA0HW]
UA_ant - Mike, RW1AI expects to depart St. Petersburg aboard the oceanographic research ship "Akademik Fedorov" on on 1 November and to reach Progress station (Antarctica) around 16 December. He plans to be active from the local club station (R1ANP) throughout 2010. [TNX The Daily DX]
VK - Special event callsign VI50LZ will be in use on the HF bands between 31 October and 8 November to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club. QSL via VK5LZ, direct or bureau. [TNX W1AW]
VP2M - Tom/DL2RUM (VP2MUM), Rudi/DM2XO (VP2MXO) and Jan/DJ8NK (VP2MNK) will be active from Montserrat (NA-103) on 3-15 November. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
VP9 - Look for Paul, VP9KF to operate CW only from Hamilton Parish, Bermuda (NA-005) on 4-18 November. QSL direct only to W4/VP9KF (Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615, USA). Further information can be found at http://vp9kf.com
XV - Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Andy/DL5CW, Sigi/DL7DF and Frank/DL7UFR will be active as XV4D from Phu Quoc (AS-128), Vietnam on 4-17 November. They will operate on 160-10 metres with two stations for CW and SSB, and a third station for RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Bernd, DF3CB will be the pilot for the expedition. QSL via DL7DF, direct or bureau. Further information and updates at http://www.dl7df.com/
YU - Alex/HA7JJS (YU9JJS), Laci/HA6NL (YU9NL), Laci/HA7PL (YU9PL) and Zsolt/HA6PS (YU9PS) will be active from Serbia from 30 October to 8 November. Special callsign YT36QRP will be used during the HA-QRP Contest on 80 meters CW (1-7 November). QSL YT36QRP via YU7CM, others via home calls (direct or bureau). [TNX HA0HW]
Z2 - Fernando, EA4BB has been active as Z21BB from Harare, Zimbabwe for a few days and expects to remain there for the next couple of years. "For the time being I have only dipoles and delta loops for 10, 15 and 20", he says. "I plan to build new antennas for WARC bands as well as two loops for 40 and 80, and maybe to increase power (for the time being I am limited to 100W). Also, later in the year I hope I will put up a 3-element beam for 10, 15 and 20. For now I am mostly on CW, but I will scale up SSB operations as I improve my antenna system". QSL via W3HNK. [TNX Z21BB]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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DXCC NEWS ---> 3D20CR and 3D2CV (Conway Reef, 2009 operations) and K4M (Midway Island, 2009 operation) have been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

MONGOLIAN DX CONTEST ---> The Mongolian Amateur Radio Society (MARS) invites licensed amateurs and SWLs to participate in the Mongolian DX Contest, to be held on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY on 21-22 November (from 00.00 UTC on Saturday through 23.59 UTC on Sunday). Please e-mail jt1kaa@... fro further information. [TNX JT1CD]

PIRATE ---> The station signing TL8/IZ2EVL on 26 October was a pirate. The genuine Emanuela, IZ2ELV was in Italy and she does not operate CW.

QSL VIA F4EFI ---> Gwenael, TU5KG operated from France as TM0C and TM0T during this year's CQWW RTTY and CQWW SSB respectively. The QSL manager for both these activities is F4EFI, direct or bureau. [TNX TU5KG]

QSL VIA W3HNK ---> W3HNK is taking over as QSL manager for either CR3E (to be QRV during the CQ WW DX CW Contest) and CT3NT. [TNX CT1BOH]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Tito Livio Esteves Xavier (CT1VM), Odoardo Tiberi (I0TIC), Dorando Guidotti (I5BKB), Raffaele Cafaro (IZ8CET), George Hanna Hakim (OD5RL), Boleslaw R Stolkowski (SP2CCO), Viktor I. Mudrenko (UA0LDX) and Paul Vydareny (WB2VUK).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4S7NE, 5B/AJ2O, 5B4AIF, 5B4AII, 5C5W, 5H3EE, 5K0T, 5Q1A, 5W0JT, 5X1VB, 6W/DL4SJ, 7P8R, 9H3QC, 9N7JO, 9Y4W, A71A, AM8IL, C31PP, C52C, CC0Y, EP3PTT, EP3UN, FP/G3ZAY, FP/M0TDG, FY5PO, HI3/LY3UM, KG4NL, KL7J, N7RO/p (NA-169), NH8/K3LP, OD5NJ, OF200AD (EU-140), OH0R, OY2J, PY0FF, PZ5TT, R7HQ, RW2F, T6AB, T77NM, T88ZS, TO3R, TO5AA, TO5AA, TO8YY, UM8LA, V31XX, V51AS, VK9DWX, VK9GMW, VO2/NF6J, VP2MSJ, VQ9LA, XU7TZG, XU7XXX, YB0DJ, YI1RZ, YL2BJ, YL2KO, YT5W, ZF1A, ZK2V, ZP8VAO.

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11586. [425ENG] 425 DX News #965 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-30 17:13:50 UTC
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Topic: 11586 Message: 11586

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******* CALENDAR *******
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11587. ARLP044 Propagation de G0KYA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-30 19:58:37 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 11587 Message: 11587

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ARLP044 Propagation de G0KYA

ZCZC AP44
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 44 ARLP044
>From Steve Nichols, G0KYA
Wymondham, England October 30, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP044
ARLP044 Propagation de G0KYA

The propagation bulletin this week is written by Steve Nichols, G0KYA, of the RSGB's Propagation Studies Committee in the English county of Norfolk. K7RA is out of town and will return next week for the November 6 Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP045.

Well, what a week it has been. The solar flux hit 82.3 on Tuesday, the highest recording yet since the first observed "new cycle sunspot" in January 2008, which was the "official" visual start of Sunspot Cycle 24.

Even as I write this, the flux is still at 80, thanks to sunspot region 1029, so let's hope that it is a sign of better things to come.

The region (1029) produced several B-class solar flare events and a single C2.2 class flare on the 28th, but luckily CQ World Wide SSB was unaffected for the most part.

NASA's STEREO "behind" spacecraft is not showing any new spots coming around the solar rim, but we live in hope. I was lucky enough to record a Podcast with Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA at the RSGB's Convention in the UK where he talked about Solar Cycle 24 and the possible effect of galactic cosmic rays on Top Band propagation. You can hear the Podcast at, http://www.g0kya.blogspot.com.

In the UK a combination of sporadic-E and F2 layer propagation made 10 meters a "must have" band for contesters last weekend. The 28 MHz band was full of European stations and I personally worked more than 25 countries in two hours of casual operation. Longer DX included 4X (Israel) and ZS9 (South Africa) with signal strengths peaking at 59 with very simple antennas. I can't remember the last time 10 meters was so active, although it was interesting to note that on Monday the band was completely clear. It just shows that you should call CQ once in a while.

Tim, K6GEP reports that he and other Southern California amateurs worked YO4ATW on 10 meters around 1930z on October 25 during CQ World Wide SSB. No other European countries were heard on the band at that time. Only 100 watts and modest tri-band yagis were used at both ends.

Marcel, YO4ATW was a single band entry on 10 meters, and made over 340 contacts, including some in South America. On another day this week, he worked some Brazilians around 1800z. Multi-hop Es or F layer? Let's hope it is a pointer towards better things to come.

Al, AB2ZY also found 21 MHz wide open. From the Adirondacks in upper New York state with a single ground-mounted Butternut HF6V vertical with lots of radials, an ICOM 756 Pro III transceiver and an old Yaesu FL-2100B amplifier, he was hearing Western European stations well after their sundown.

At the other end of the spectrum 80 meters was also a great band with many US and Canadian stations giving novice European operators their first trans-Atlantic QS0s around 3.8 MHz. K3LR in PA was still audible more than one hour after sunrise in the UK.

Let's hope we get similar conditions for CQ World Wide CW in November.

K7RA--and normality--will be back next week.

73 de Steve G0KYA

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for October 22 through 28 were 0, 30, 21, 28, 29, 29, and 26 with a mean of 23.3. 10.7 cm flux was 71.6, 72.9, 75.6, 75.5, 81.3, 81.5, and 79.9 with a mean of 76.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 14, 8, 8, 5, 3, 3 and 2 with a mean of 6.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 12, 7, 5, 3, 3, 2 and 3 with a mean of 5.
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11588. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-30 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11588

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 30 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 303 Issued at 2200Z on 30 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 29/2100Z
to 30/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1029 (N16W84)
produced two B-class flares during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 29/2100Z to 30/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels. This
increase in activity was most likely the result of a sector boundary
crossing.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be mostly quiet for the next three days (31 October - 02
November).
III. Event Probabilities 31 Oct-02 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 30 Oct 075
Predicted 31 Oct-02 Nov 075/075/073
90 Day Mean 30 Oct 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 29 Oct 005/007
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 31 Oct-02 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11589. A rather short cycle

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-30 22:17:51 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11589

> > Predicted 31 Oct-02 Nov 075/075/073 <<

Well, cycle 24 was a blast! Peaked with a flux of 82 a few days
ago. It looks like a steep decline. Can't wait for cycle 25 to begin.

73, Paul VE1DX

11590. Re: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 13:35:47 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 11590

C'mon Paul! You know that sun rotates on a 25 day cycle and therefore the SFI is a variable.

You're going to get a lot of people confused :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Friday, October 30, 2009 6:17 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

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11591. Re: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 13:42:37 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11591

At 10:35 AM 10/31/2009, you wrote:

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>therefore the SFI is a variable.
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>

:-)

73, Paul VE1DX

11592. A rather short cycle

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 14:07:00 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 9721 Message: 11592

I am not confused, I am angry ! I didnt get a chance to work ANY dx during cycle 24 !

:-).....
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 8:35 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

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11593. IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 14:08:07 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11593 Message: 11593

I received call back that my local Post Office (Branch) has received a generous supply of IRCs. Will pick up 30 of them this morning.

I have the sweetess Supervisor in the world working with me.

She knows the regulations and will keep me in supply.

Hope the rest of you guys find a professional Postal Employee like I did.

I asked if she could supply others not in area and her answer was how many and where. You would prob have to pay postage to your home address but that is not much and not cost of gas and a negative response from your own Post Office not willing to help

Let me know if you need info.

thanks and 73 and good dxing to all

Michael W. Elliott
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St. Louis County Missouri

11594. Re: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 15:51:12 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 9721 Message: 11594

#*?!,.'"!!! Neither did I -- my radio is in the shop for repair!

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Earl
KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

-----Original Message-----
From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, 31 Oct 2009 09:07:00
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

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11595. Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 15:59:59 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11595

My last post on IRC availability

Guys here is the latest information on my New IRC purchase.

My Post Office had 100 New type IRCs on hand when I got there this morning.

I bought 50 of them. THey will restock whenever they get low or when I notify them I am coming in to purchase.

Left 50 of them over there for somone else to purchase -- hi hi

Good luck to the rest of you ---

Make sure you get the stamp on the left side of the IRC in case you want to cash them in the future for non-use -- tell the clerk it must have the stamp !!

see-ya on TB as I am outta here on this topic
Michael W. Elliott
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--- On Sat, 10/31/09, Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...> wrote:

From: Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...>
Subject: IRCs availability
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009, 9:08 AM

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11596. Re: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 16:46:37 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 11596

Don't worry! Paul knows how to re-awake the temporarily dimming SFI. Just wait a week or two and you will be amazed at how much influence he has. :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Earl Needham
To: DX-IS
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 11:51 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

#*?!,.'"!!! Neither did I -- my radio is in the shop for repair!

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...>
Date: Sat, 31 Oct 2009 09:07:00 -0500
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

I am not confused, I am angry ! I didnt get a chance to work ANY dx during cycle 24 !

:-).....
----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 8:35 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

C'mon Paul! You know that sun rotates on a 25 day cycle and therefore the SFI is a variable.

You're going to get a lot of people confused :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Friday, October 30, 2009 6:17 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] A rather short cycle

> > Predicted 31 Oct-02 Nov 075/075/073 <<

Well, cycle 24 was a blast! Peaked with a flux of 82 a few days ago. It looks like a steep decline. Can't wait for cycle 25 to begin.

73, Paul VE1DX

11597. RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 19:27:13 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11595 Message: 11597

And just how much did these new fangled IRCs cost you, Mike? Here in Canada they will be at least 50% more. Perhaps I'll get some sent up here to me.

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Al, VE1AL

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Subject: IRCs availability
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11598. Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 19:36:30 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11595 Message: 11598

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11599. New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 19:43:49 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11595 Message: 11599

will cycle 25 be going by then ?

:-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob
To: DX-IS@...m
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 2:36 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

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11600. RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 19:46:30 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11595 Message: 11600

I hope you're right, Bob. They are ridiculously expensive. There's one QSL mgr on here who discounts them a whopping 20%. I like the few guys who'll sell them for what they're worth at the PO with 10-15% added on. But there aren't many of those.

I'm going to take the few I have left to my PO and exchange them for stamps.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 4:37 PM
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Subject: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

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11601. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 19:51:57 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 11595 Message: 11601

Al, was it your or somebody else that I bought for not too long ago?

I can always repeat that. My post office here in DC has lots of them (or at least, it usually does).

73 Rich NN3W

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From: Alan Leith
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11602. RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 20:17:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11595 Message: 11602

Nope, Rich, t'wasn't me. But if you don't mind, I'll let you know when I need some if I decide not to wait until the "discounts" start!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 4:52 PM
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11603. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 20:52:07 UTC
From: K0BX
Topic: 11595 Message: 11603

What post office Mike??

Joe K0BX

Michael W Elliott wrote:

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11604. UW3QLO Status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 21:59:01 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11604 Message: 11604

Back in August 1992, I worked UD7D/UW3QLO.
Does anyone have a good route for a QSL Card ?

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

11605. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11605

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Oct 31 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 304 Issued at 2200Z on 31 Oct 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 31/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Region 1029 (N16W97) produced a
C1.0 flare at 31/0935Z.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 31/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (01 - 03 November).
III. Event Probabilities 01 Nov-03 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 31 Oct 075
Predicted 01 Nov-03 Nov 075/073/073
90 Day Mean 31 Oct 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Oct 008/011
Estimated Afr/Ap 31 Oct 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 01 Nov-03 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 01 Nov-03 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11606. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-10-31 23:55:57 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11606

Cost of the new fangle IRCs are $2.10.

So until the qsl managers get them in and sell at a reduced rate or you get them direct from a foreign country you will pay $2.10..

Still cheaper than what it costs to mail an International letter from Germany.

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11607. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 00:03:54 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11607

Yeah, I agree wait on the Managers if you can. Will be interesting to see what they discount for.

  But things are going to go slow at fiirst getting them. $2. us dollars vs $2.10 for an IRC its your choice. I never liked sending cash international through the mail.

I like buying them from the Managers at reduced cost but I also have some friends who need them for the latest expeditions.

Nothing is cheap. Always the buyer choice.

Good luck guys.

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--- On Sat, 10/31/09, Bob <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

From: Bob <kb1jzu@arrl.net>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009, 2:36 PM

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> Michael W Elliott

> Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 1:00 PM

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> Cc: Mike elliott

> Subject: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

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> --- On Sat, 10/31/09, Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...> wrote:

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> From: Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...>

> Subject: IRCs availability

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com

> Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009, 9:08 AM

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11608. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 00:05:14 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11608

Florissant up on north linbergh

I left 50 there hi hi

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--- On Sat, 10/31/09, K0BX <k0bx@...> wrote:

From: K0BX <k0bx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009, 3:52 PM

What post office Mike??

Joe K0BX

Michael W Elliott wrote:

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11609. RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 00:42:04 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11609

$2.10 us dollars$2.10 us dollars is what the new price is for an IRC

You may decide to wait it out until Manager start stockpiling them. THat is your choice.

I love it -- guys complain about availability from Post Office then want to buy them cheaper. So wait until next year that is the answer for some. For me its not going to kill me to spend $2.10 at the moment. I want to make a submission to ARRL this year for 160/80/40 and (12meters especially for my 9 band DXCC)

I will deal with getting them cheaper later from a source I have been dealing with over the years. That individual only had 1 onhand and I bet he uses that for himself.

I use to work for Postal for 38 years and retired in 2003. Basically I know how to get around or work with the system.

Take care Alan and the very best to you.

If all fails maybe you can send me the money and I will purchase locally for you.

73

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--- On Sat, 10/31/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009, 2:27 PM

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up here to me.

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
[mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Michael W
Elliott
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 1:00 PM
To:
DX-IS@yahoogroups. com

Cc: Mike elliott
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On Sat, 10/31/09, Michael W Elliott
<kq0b@sbcglobal. net> wrote:

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11610. RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 00:56:18 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11595 Message: 11610

At 05:42 PM 10/31/2009, Michael W Elliott wrote:
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>want to buy them cheaper. So wait until next year that is the
>answer for some. For me its not going to kill me to spend $2.10 at the moment.

Same here. I bought fifty last week and I'll be sending out forty
next week. Life goes on. DX IS!

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11611. RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 00:59:49 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11611

Rite on - Dxer !!!

gotta love it

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--- On Sat, 10/31/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009, 7:56 PM

At 05:42 PM 10/31/2009, Michael W Elliott wrote:

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11612. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 01:36:46 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 11595 Message: 11612

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11613. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 01:43:25 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11613

Ted

now all you gotta do is train the county hunters how to use them -- good luck

hi hi

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--- On Sat, 10/31/09, Ted Melinosky <k1bv@...> wrote:

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11614. [425ENG] The topbands of november

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 07:43:42 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11614 Message: 11614

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

Below the first 25 positions of thr topbands
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPBANDS
01/11/2009
NR CALL 10 12 15 17 20 30 40 80 160 Tot Date

1 OK1RD 337 333 338 336 338 337 337 337 333 3026 30/10/2009
2 K2TQC 336 335 338 337 338 336 337 335 301 2993 15/08/2009
3 W4DR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 335 310 2989 19/06/2008
4 OH2BU 335 329 338 337 338 337 337 335 301 2987 27/10/2009
5 N4WW 335 329 338 335 337 334 337 334 304 2983 17/05/2008
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7 W9ZR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 334 298 2976 17/11/2008
8 OM3EY 333 330 338 336 337 331 337 332 295 2969 15/03/2009
9 HA0DU 330 330 338 335 338 333 335 330 300 2969 03/01/2009
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25 G3KMA 333 328 337 335 337 334 335 307 275 2921 01/10/2008

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11615. Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 16:48:22 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11615 Message: 11615

From: http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?t=222787

VK9 C, L, M, N, W & X deleted from DX equation

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The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) has decided to discontinue the use of a VK9 callsign suffix letter to denote each of the six Australian external territories, each a DX entity.
http://amateurradio.com.au/node/856

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11616. RE: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 17:39:41 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11615 Message: 11616

Well, my congratulations to the members of the Wireless Institute of Australia folks and the government bureaucracy for joining the ranks of the morons who administer amateur radio callsigns in the rest of the world. That includes Canada, the United States, Britain, France and others.

This lunacy adds to the frustration of world amateur radio DXers who also have to deal with nut cases on their bands because governments have abdicated their role in policing this service.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Sunday, November 01, 2009 12:48 PM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

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11617. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 17:48:57 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11615 Message: 11617

WAIT,

they are not done yet ! there just getting warmed up !

next we will have to start sharing our worked Countries with those less FORTUNATE, so they don't feel underprivileged !

:-)
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11618. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 17:54:24 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11615 Message: 11618

Well who needs them? I have extra VK9's over the years.

No takers, they can then go up on e-Bay....

Bob
K2TK

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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11619. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 17:52:04 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11615 Message: 11619

If you read the comments, some say it won't have any effect on statesiders(?) Seems like it's gonna drive DXView crazy trying to figure where someone really is especially if and when they open up the delected calls to anyone...

Rene ex VK2DSW
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.423 / Virus Database: 270.14.43/2474 - Release Date: 11/01/09 07:38:00

11620. Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 17:54:54 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11595 Message: 11620

Except when some of those bums demand 2 IRCs!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Michael W Elliott <kq0b@...> wrote:
>
> Cost of the new fangle IRCs are $2.10.
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>
> So until the qsl managers get them in and sell at a reduced rate or you get them direct from a foreign country you will pay $2.10..
>
> Still cheaper than what it costs to mail an International letter from Germany.
>
>
> Michael W. Elliott
> "THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE"   -
> RETIREMENT - LEISURE, REST and ONLY ELECTRONIC MAIL PAYMENTS
> Servant to Bridgett, Collin and all my Creditors
> St. Louis County Missouri
>
> --- On Sat, 10/31/09, Richard F DiDonna NN3W <nn3w@...> wrote:
>
> From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W <nn3w@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009, 2:51 PM
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> Al, was it your or somebody else that I bought for
> not too long ago?
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> I can always repeat that. My post office here
> in DC has lots of them (or at least, it usually does).
>
> 73 Rich NN3W
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>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From:
> Alan
> Leith
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 3:27
> PM
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs
> availability
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>
> And just how much did these new fangled IRCs cost you,
> Mike? Here in Canada they will be at least 50% more. Perhaps I'll
> get some sent up here to me.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Michael W
> Elliott
> Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 1:00 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Cc:
> Mike elliott
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs
> availability
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> My last post on IRC availability
>
> Guys here

> is the latest information on my New IRC purchase.
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> My Post Office
> had 100 New type IRCs on hand when I got there this morning.
>
> I
> bought 50 of them. THey will restock whenever they get low or when
> I notify them I am coming in to purchase.
>
> Left 50 of them over
> there for somone else to purchase -- hi hi
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>
> Good luck to the rest of you ---
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>
> Make sure you get
> the stamp on the left side of the IRC in case you want to cash them in
> the future for non-use -- tell the clerk it must have the stamp !!
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> see-ya on TB as I am outta here on this
> topic
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> --- On Sat, 10/31/09, Michael W Elliott
> <kq0b@sbcglobal. net> wrote:
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> From:
> Michael W Elliott <kq0b@sbcglobal. net>
> Subject: IRCs
> availability
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Date: Saturday,
> October 31, 2009, 9:08 AM
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> I received call back that my local Post Office
> (Branch) has received a generous supply of IRCs. Will pick
> up 30 of them this morning.
>
> I have the sweetess
> Supervisor in the world working with me.
>
> She knows the
> regulations and will keep me in supply.
>
> Hope the rest of
> you guys find a professional Postal Employee like I
> did.
>
> I asked if she could supply others not in area and
> her answer was how many and where. You would prob have to pay
> postage to your home address but that is not much and not cost
> of gas and a negative response from your own Post Office not
> willing to help
>
> Let me know if you need
> info.
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> thanks and 73 and good dxing to all
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11621. WAZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 18:03:36 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11621 Message: 11621

...from CQ magazine comes the CQ Diamond Jubilee WAZ award celebrating 75 years of WAZ (a year older than DXCC). Read about it at:
http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/DiamondWAOct09.pdf

Rene

- -
The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

11622. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 18:20:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11615 Message: 11622

At 01:54 PM 11/1/2009, you wrote:
>Well who needs them? I have extra VK9's over the years.
>
>No takers, they can then go up on e-Bay....
>
>Bob
>K2TK

Personally, I don't see the removal of a letter after the VK9 prefix as anything to get upset about. It's an administrative nuisance for whoever issues the calls. Ham radio call signs, and Ham radio in general, are a *very* insignificant part of what government agencies have to deal with. 25-30 years ago, there was little to no satellite and cable TV, no cell phones and no Internet. Radio, be it short wave or regular AM broadcasts, were a primary means of communication. Technology changed dramatically in the ensuing decades.

Government agencies tasked with administering communications were not given more resources. They were given satellite and cable TV, cell phones the Internet to regulate. Thankfully (for them) radio usage declined just as dramatically as the new technology ballooned. (For example, I can tune the entire AM broadcast band here in the Halifax area and there is not one single station left.) Commercial shortwave broadcasting has taken the same route. Most of it is transmitted via satellite or the Internet. Radio no longer needs the strict regulation it did in 1970.

As to VK9 calls, in 1970 I had to wait a week to get WA6AUD's DX Bulletin to find out where VK9DX was. Today, it will be spotted 37 times on the DX Cluster system in their first hour of operation. It will be pre-announced weeks in advance in every electronic form imaginable. If I miss all of that I will go to QRZ.COM and look it up in seconds. It doesn't have to be VK9XDX for me to find out it is on Christmas Island.

K4M is a call that did not indicate where it was. However, I wonder if there is a single member of this list who did not know all about the Midway operation weeks before it occurred.

We don't like change, and we can complain about it. It won't help. The Australian (and every other country) government puts a much higher priority on looking after satellite and cable TV, cell phones the Internet than radio. What they do dedicate to radio is limited to important things like aircraft and marine frequencies, not to us eccentric few trying to exchange 1800 vintage code with some other eccentrics camped out on an obscure clump of rocks off

shore. We can and do continue to do this, but we can't expect the
same strict regulations from our governments that we had in decades past.

DX IS! :-)

And yeah, I have all the VK9 QSLs I'll ever need too. And a few
extra, Mine are going for half what you are asking for yours, Bob! :-) :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

11623. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 18:33:16 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 11615 Message: 11623

Drat! I just finished a similar post when you posted yours Paul. Beat me to it. I couldn't agree more.

Was there anyone who thought that K4M was in North Carolina?

On the other hand, if this is all there is to complain about I guess things are going pretty well.

73, Ted, W2ZK

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> shore. We can and do continue to do this, but we can't expect the
> same strict regulations from our governments that we had in decades past.
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>
> And yeah, I have all the VK9 QSLs I'll ever need too. And a few
> extra, Mine are going for half what you are asking for yours, Bob! :-) :-)
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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11624. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 19:06:42 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 11595 Message: 11624

aburkefl wrote:
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>
> Except when some of those bums demand 2 IRCs!
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
I agree with Art...these are the guys [and/or gals, but I doubt it] who are out to rip us off. Having said that, I was recently in Germany, and I took some cards with me that were sent to German managers. Obviously, I had to buy German postage to get my card back. The cost for Airmail postage from Germany to Canada [read North America] was ?1.70. When I left for Europe, I bought 100 euros at my bank. They cost $158 and change Canadian. That works out to about $2.60 CAD; call it $2.50 USD. Can't put one green stamp into a direct card to Europe any more--those European managers who are asking for $2 USD are NOT trying to rip us off--we don't know when we are well off.

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

11625. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 19:06:47 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11615 Message: 11625

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nothing is zero.

73,
Bob
K2TK

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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11626. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 19:27:36 UTC
From: Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
Topic: 11595 Message: 11626

Hello Phil,

wondering about Your calculations ...

The fees from Germany for 20g letters are the following:

a) to inside DL - 0.55 EUR
b) to inside EU (outside DL) - 0.70 EUR
c) to outside EU - 1.70 EUR

Now we take the current exchange rate (official bank rate) 1.47 USD for
1 EUR (was already up to 1.50 USD last week) and do a calculation:

1 USD = 0.68 EUR
2 USD = 1,36 EUR
3 USD = 2.04 EUR

So it's easy to see that even 2 USD are NOT enough to get Your QSL
returned directly from Germany. Many guys here volountair it themself
(not asking 2 USD for direct inside EU p.e.) but if You think about
managers who handle quite a good amount of requests it's not possible to
answer directly to requests with 2 USD to North America etc.

For the IRC it's easier as You can gave Your letter together with 1 IRC
to the post office and have it send for it. But there's no way to redeem
them for money or stamps here.

73 & gl,

Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
dl6kva@...

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> Sydney, NS
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11627. RE: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 20:21:13 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11595 Message: 11627

I have received QSL cards from Germany that were franked with much less postage. They were marked Drucksack or something like that. I don't have any envelopes to research this, But I remember sending some GS's and thinking that the stamps on the envelope were much less than I sent.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: Axel.Schernikau@...
> Date: Sun, 1 Nov 2009 19:27:36 +0000
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
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> Hello Phil,
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11628. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 20:41:41 UTC
From: Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
Topic: 11595 Message: 11628

yes, Drucksache -> printed matter

May be some guys do this but it's not correct in that case.

I know people nearby the border to SP, OK, LX etc. try to send batches
from there too.

73 & gl

Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
dl6kva@...

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11629. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 21:28:58 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11615 Message: 11629

Well group, heres the way I see it.;

The VK9 cards I got out will come, time is another issue

If ZK1 and ZK2 are seperate enities, and KL7 and KH6 are not American enities, and K5K, K4M, and N8S are all different enities.....

AND WAE makes a further mess of things......

How can VK9N or VK9L make it any worse?

And with the UN recognizing some 600 + countries and the DXCC only 338..

Why sweat the small stuff? WFWL, then figure out who they are during a slow sunspot cycle.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob" <robertlarson@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, November 1, 2009 2:06:47 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

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nothing is zero.

73,
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11630. Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 21:35:37 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11615 Message: 11630

"government bureaucracy for joining the ranks of the morons"

Talk about a redundant statement!

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sun, 11/1/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Vee Kay 9 deletions
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, November 1, 2009, 3:28 PM

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11631. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11631

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 01 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 305 Issued at 2200Z on 01 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 31/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 31/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (02 - 04 November).
III. Event Probabilities 02 Nov-04 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 Nov 072
Predicted 02 Nov-04 Nov 073/073/070
90 Day Mean 01 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 31 Oct 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 Nov 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 Nov-04 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 Nov-04 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11632. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #932

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-01 22:20:10 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11632 Message: 11632

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.932
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 932

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-October, through Sunday, 1st-November there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FT5W, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/g, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4U1A, SWITZERLAND (Awareness about HIV/AIDS through Amateur Radio). According to UNAIDS (the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS), estimates, there are now 33.2 million people living with HIV, including 2.5 million children. During 2008, some 2.5 million people became newly infected with the virus. Around half of all people who become infected

with HIV do so before they are 25 and die of AIDS-related illnesses before they are 35. Around 95% of people living with HIV reside in developing countries. However, HIV today is a threat to men, women and children throughout the world. Started on December 1st, 1988, the aim of "World AIDS Day" is to raise money, increase awareness, fight prejudice and improve education. "World AIDS Day" is important in reminding people that HIV has not gone away, and that much still needs to be done.
A special amateur radio station will be operating at UNAIDS HQ in Geneva, Switzerland, from December 1-7th, 2009, with the special event callsign 4U1AIDS. They invite people to observe the "World AIDS Day" and demonstrate global HIV awareness.
International World Aids Day 2009 Amateur Radio Certificate: Those amateur radio stations which have a radio contact with 4U1AIDS on any 3 amateur radio bands, will awarded a special commemorative certificate ☐World AIDS Day Award☐.
Amateur radio stations that have radio contact with 4U1AIDS on 5 amateur radio bands will be awarded a special commemorative UNAIDS pennant.
Special QSL card: For each radio contact with 4U1AIDS, a special QSL card will be sent.
QSL information: For further information, please get in contact with:
Andrey Fedorov, UNAIDS, 20 Avenue Appia, CH-1211, Geneva 27, Switzerland.
WEB sites: Official UNAIDS WEB site: http://www.UNAIDS.org
Amateur Radio 4U1AIDS WEB site: http://www.DX-World.com/4u1aids

5H, TANZANIA. Harald, DL7VSN, is once again heading to Tanzania and will probably be active as 5H1HS, this time from the Kilimanjaro area, starting on November 1st. His length of stay was not mentioned. Activity will be 160-10 meters using mainly CW and RTTY. He will use various dipoles with 100 watts. If all plans go well, Harald may activate his 5th IOTA group from this DXCC entity for one or two days. Harald will also be in the Serengeti and Tarangire National Park starting November 18th, and hopes to be active from these areas. QSL via his home callsign.

5R, MADAGASCAR (Update/Also ZS5). Sam, G4OHX, will be active as 5R8HX from Madagascar (IOTA AF-013 and WLOTA L2455) between December 28th and January 3rd (2010). Activity will be mainly CW. He will also be active from South Africa as ZS5/G4OHX between January 4-17th. QSL via his home callsign direct only.

8R, GUYANA (Update). Paulo, PV8DX, a member/part of the "Amateur Brazilian Team", will be active as 8R1PY from Lethem, between now and November 4th. He states that he will try 160 meters. However, there is no electricity during the night, and he will use a generator, which is noisy. Other activity will be on 160-6 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Other operators mentioned are: Edi/PU8TEP, Abilio/PV8AZ, Ivan/PV8IG, Ivan/PY1YB, Anderson/PY2TNT and Alex/PY2WAS. QSL via PY2WAS.

9J, ZAMBIA. Niko, S53A, will once again be active as 9J3A from The Hippo Lodge, (see http://www.hippolodge.com), Kafue National Park, between November 25-30th. He also plans to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest

(November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. His equipment will be a IC-7000, spiderbeam for the high bands (20-10m), 80m vertical, and a 40m 2 element wire delta loopa. QSL via S57S direct to: Aleksander Zagar, Golisce 132, SI-1281 SLOVENIA.

9V, SINGAPORE. James, 9V1JP, is a new operator from here and has been active on 20 meters. He states on QRZ.com that he is "in a very challenging environment and is trying hard to put out a decent signal on HF." He also states, "If you need a QSL card, please be patient. I am in the process of designing them, and they should be good and ready in the spring of 2010."

BA4, CHINA. Yoshihiro, JK2VOC, will be active from Dale's, BA4TB, QTH between November 27-30th. He will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via JK2VOC.

C4, CYPRUS. Operators Andy/LZ2HM, Ken/G0ORH and possibly others will be active as C4I during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via LZ2HM.

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Mike, DF8AN, will once again be active from the Caribbean. This time from two DXCC entities. He should be on the air by the time you read this. His schedule is as follows:
Galapagos Islands (HC8) - HC8/DF8AN between now and November 7th
Netherlands Antilles (PJ4) - PJ4/DF8AN from the Island of Bonaire between November 7-16th.
Activity will be mainly CW. He will be using wire antennas. QSL via DF8AN, by the Bureay or direct.

CE0, EASTER ISLAND (SA-001). Roberto, YV5IAL, will be active as CE0/YV5IAL between January 8-11th. This will be a QRP, portable, holiday style operation. Activity will be on PSK31 digital mode on 14070.15 kHz from 2200-0100z, and occasionally on 40/30/15 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

CR3/CT3, MADEIRA ISLANDS (Update/QSL Change). Jose, CT1BOH, will be using the special callsign CR3E during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He will use the callsign CT3NT before the contest starting November 24th. All QSOs will be uploaded into LoTW. QSL Manager, Joe, W3HNK, is now taking over QSL chores for CT3NT and CR3E. See his Web page and station at: http://www.qsl.net/ct1boh

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Ulrich/DJ2YA, Walter/DJ6QT, Arno/DL1CW, Ulf/DL5AXX and George/SV1RP will be active as CR3L during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators will be active as CT9/homecall between November 24th and December 3rd.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
3D20CR - Conway Reef; 2009 Operation
3D2CV - Conway Reef; 2009 Operation

E4, PALESTINE. There is a E4X callsign listed on QRZ.com, but no other details are provided. Stay tuned!

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mauri, OH2BYS, will once again be active as EA8CMX from Galdar, Isla de Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L0969), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (???) entry. QSL via OH2BYS.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Val, RD3AF, will be active as EF8M from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via UA3DX.

EL, LIBERIA. Chris, ZS6RI (aka-ZS8IR, ZD9IR, 5H9IR), is expected to be here for about six weeks starting at the beginning of November. His callsign will be EL8RI. Activity will be QRP on the HF bands (mentioned 40/20/30m) using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. After his 6 week stay, he will return home and then return to EL-land after 3 weeks. QSL EL8RI via ZS6RI.

GD/MD, ISLE OF MAN. Operators Ron/PA3EWP and Tom/GM4FDM will be active as MD/PA3EWP and GD4FDM, respectively, between November 7-9th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL MD/PA3EWP via PA7FM and GD4FDM via GM4FDM.

GU, GUERNSEY. Bob, GU4YOX, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via GU4YOX, direct or LoTW.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Kazik/DL2SBY, Tomi/HA4DX and Laci/HA0HW will once again operate from Masessa between November 6-13th. Their main focus will be to do as many QSOs as possible on the 160, 80 and 40 meter bands. They will have 3 radios (2 with amplifiers). On 160m, they will use a 18m Spiderpole inverted L; on 80m an inverted Vee and a loaded GP; and on 40m a GP on another 12m Spiderpole. For the upper bands they will have a Spider beam on top of a 11m mast. Operations will be mostly CW, but some SSB also expected. QSL by the Bureau to each appropriate operator.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS (Update). A group of the contesters from Quito Radio Club will be active as HC8N from Isla de San Cristobal (SA-004, WLOTA L0094) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Some of the operators mentioned (and the bands that they will be on) are: Dave/N3RD (40m), Bob/W6RGG (20m), Dennis/K2SX (10m) and possibly others. QSL via W5UE.

HS, THAILAND (Good News). John, W2YR (aka-HS0ZDJ), informs OPDX that he just received this information from the International Secretary of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand: FYI - the NTC is the National Tele-communications Council akin to our FCC in the USA -- "Hi, Good news (just received from Narissara, HS1CHB): the NTC has approved the RAST request made recently for the expansion of the 7-MHz for amateur radio on a primary basis in Thailand from 7.0-7.1 to 7.0-7.2 MHz. (This had been approved internationally at the WRC-03 conference and was to be

effective March 29 this year, pending approval on a country-by-country basis.) This becomes effective "next Friday," which I take to be November 6th, 2009."

IOTA NEWS.....

EU-031. Operators Alfredo/IK7JWX, Alessandro/IW8EHK, Leopoldo/I8LWL and Titti/IK8GQY (YL) will join Raul/IC8ATA and be active as IC8/homecall from Procida Island (I.I.A. NA-002, Grid JN70BR) between November 6□8th. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. It is possible that the group may operate from Ischia (Grid JN60XR) and Vivara Islands (Grid JN70AR) also.

NA-062. (Update/Reminder) Mark, KG8DP, will once again activate Grassey Key between November 2-9th. Operations will be stationary at Grassey Key (on the beach) and mobile as he travels to Key West and all points on the ocean. He will use the callsigns KG8DP, KG8DP/M, NA8KD or NA8KD/m. This will be a week trip. QSL all callsigns via info on QRZ.com (w/SASE). Mark will be using an IC-7000, 1.2 kw amp mobile and GLA-1000B portable amp. Antenna will be Tarheel M-100's. ADDED NOTES BY MARK: He states, "This trip will have plenty of ham radio, but he will be announcing an engagement of marriage to his future wife to be on 10/10/10. Look for him on the trip heading back as he will be activating different counties for the county hunters. Frequencies will be the county hunters, 14.336 and 7.188 MHz and the normal IOTA frequencies. Any scheds for needed IOTA QSOs can be made via E-mail at: kg8dp@...

SA-062. (Update) With the support of the Island Radio Expedition Foundation (IREF), the Araucaria DX Group and the ForDX, a group of operators will be activating Coroa Vermelha Island and Coroa Da Barra Island, including the Lighthouse (ARLHS BRA-029), as PW6C between November 11-18th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, including 17 and 12 meters, using CW and SSB. The team members are Leo/PP1CZ, Andre/PY0FF, Renner/PY7RP, Jim/PY7XC, Ciro/PY7ZY and Mike/K9AJ. QSL via K9AJ. QSL is valid for the South American Lighthouses Award issued by the Radio Club Grupo DX Bahia Blanca. For more details, visit their Web site at: http://www.pw6c.com

SA-071. (RARE IOTA) Operators Fred/PY2XB and Alex/PY2WAS will activate Cabras Island between November 19-23rd. IOTA SA-071 continues to have a high demand among IOTA program participants. They will use the callsign PW2IO (PY2XB) and PW2TA (PY2WAS), operating two separate stations running 300w and 100w, respectively. The antennas will be a yagi for 20/17/15m, and a multi-band ZEP. The team guarantees that at least one station will be on the air around the clock. Both stations will work CW and SSB. The main bands to be used are 40/30/20/17/15 meters on the IOTA frequencies. Alternative frequencies

may be used if necessary. As far as they know, Cabras Island
has never been activated. The team will need to take a lot
of supplies to the island, including fuel, generator and
batteries for energy. The landing on the island is difficult
and the operation may be postponed in case of bad sea. Updates
will be forwarded through Luke, PT7WA. Additional information
will be available at QRZ.com. QSL routes are: PW2IO via PT7WA
and PW2TA via PY2WAS.

J5, GUINEA-BISSAU. Joao, CT2GQA, will be here for the next five years.
He will be using two different callsigns (reason not given), but look
for the following to be used: J5GQZ - on 20/17 meters
J5JUA - on 80/40 meters
QSL both callsigns via his home callsign.

JD, OGASAWARA. Kirk, JF3MYU, will be active as JD1BNN between March
28-31st (2010). He is expected to be there with three other operators
who will be staying long (hopefully more details will be forthcoming).
Kirk's activity will be focused on the WARC bands. QSL is "OK" via
JARL Bureau, but write JD1BNN on your QSL (so it can be sorted easily).
Also, you can receive his QSL direct if you send your QSL to his address
in Kobe, JAPAN: Kirk Itaya, 5-1-35, Daikaidori, KOBE, 652-0803 JAPAN.
Please enclose SAE plus sufficient return postage. For NA, SA, EU and
AF include one new IRC or 2 USDs. For Asia, one IRC or 1 USD.

K0,UNITED STATES (Special Event). Members of the EARS (Emporia Amateur
Radio Society - KB0SSR) will activate special event station K0V on November
7th and on Veterans Day, November 11th, to honor U.S. Veterans. The special
event station will be located adjacent to the Emporia All Veterans
Memorial. Operating times will be as follows:
November 7th - 1900-2300z (1-5PM CST)
November 11th - 1400-2400z (8AM-6PM CST); on Veterans Day
Suggested frequencies are: 14268, 7262 and 3920 kHz (+/- 20 kHz). Other
frequencies may be used depending on QRM and/or propagation. They may
also try some Digital QSOs, especially on Saturday, November 7th. Operating
hours maybe extend on the 11th beyond 2400z (6PM CST), depending on various
factors (such as operator fatigue, band conditions and the need for a QSO).
Special QSL cards will be available and will require a SASE sent to:
EARS, c/o Connie Steinel/K0UER, 950 Oxford Drive, Emporia, KS 66801-5439/.
Visit Ears Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/emporiaars/

KH6, HAWAII. Jim, N6TJ, will be active as KH6ZN (the Pu'u O'o Radio Club
callsign), from Hawaii's Big Island, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November
28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via QSL via AI4U.

KH6, HAWAII (Special Event). Operators Claire/WL7MY and John/KL7JR will be
operating special event station "N7I" from Honolulu (Oahu Island HI-008S),
February 4-10th (2010). Activity is in celebration of the 16th anniversary
of the U.S. Islands Awards program. Main frequency will be: 28460 or 14260
kHz. They use a TS-50 and a vertical on mag mount. QSL Manager is KL7JR.
For additional info: http://www.usislands.org

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For November 2-8th)....
Nov 2 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Nov 3 AN ---------------
Nov 4 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Nov 5 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Nov 6 AN LN - Low Normal
Nov 7 AN
Nov 8 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

MARCONI NOBEL 100 AWARD (Correction/Update). To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Marconi receiving the Nobel Prize, listen for and work 5 different special event "SI" stations (not 10 as first announced -- DX stations work only 3 special "SI" stations) between November 9th and December 10th and earn a special "Marconi Nobel 100 Award". The following special anniversary callsigns will be on the air: SI0GM, SI1GM, SI2GM, SI3GM, SI4GM, SI5GM, SI6GM and SI7GM. Other SM stations may be using the special prefix SI, but only the above stations count. Each anniversary station counts once per band. No endorsements. The fee is 50 SEK, 5 Euro or 5 USDs. Apply with log entry to SSA Awards Manager, Bengt Hogkvist, Ostbygatan 24 C, SE-531 37 Lidkoping, Sweden.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Tomi, OH6EI, will once again be active as OH0Z. His activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). He will be a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

OQ3, BELGIUM. Mar, ON4RU, will be using his contest callsign OQ3R in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign.

OX, GREENLAND. Members of the Spanish "DX4DX Team" will be active as OX/EA7SB and OX/EA4NA from the main island (NA-018) between November 12□19th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The group will be using FT-857s w/amps into vertical antennas. Operators mentioned are: Paco/EA4NT (SSB/Digi), Emilio/EA7AAW (CW), Ramon/EA4NA (CW) and Salvador/EA7SB (SSB/Digi). Pilot stations will be Jose/EA4DB and Txema/EA5BWR. QSL via EA4BT, direct or by the Bureau. This is the same group who was active as TK9Z and C57R. Visit the group Web page at: http://www.dx4dx.com/index1.html

PW2, BRAZIL (Special Event). Special event station PW2SIDC has been active (from several Brazilian states, including Fernando de Noronha Island) since October 22nd and will be on the air until November 22nd. Activity is in celebration of V DEFENCIL - V International Conference of Civil Defense - to be held between November 17-20th, at Anhembi - Meeting & Conventions of Sao Paulo City, with the participation of RENER - National Emergency Network Amateur Radio. QSL via PS7YL, by the Bureau, eQSL or direct to: Monica Freitas, Av. Sao Miguel dos Caribes 31,

Natal, RN 59086-500 Brazil.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
3D20CR QSLS. From the 3D20CR Web page: "As promised, QSLs have already been mailed confirming Conway Reef QSOs with donors who made donations that were received on or before September 23, 2009."

4W6FR AND VK9LA OQRS PROBLEMS. QSL MANAGER Bill, VK4FW, announced this past weekend (October 31st): "Today, out of the blue, my faithful laptop has given up the ghost, worse is that the external backup stick drive has also collapsed (all suspected from an AC surge). So now all OQRS files for 4W6FR are at this time lost as well as any OQRS VK9LA files for the last 4 days..... if any of you have sent for QSL a request for the above, please kindly resend me full details to: vk4fw@... "
His address is: Bill Horner, PO Box 612, Childers, 4660, Australia.

FT6GA ON LOTW. Didier, F5OGL, announced on Tuesday, October 27th, that the FT5GA log has been uploaded to the LoTW at 1235z. He states (edited), "Of course some stations will not find one or several of their QSOs on LoTW. To these hams I say 'don't worry!'. Every situation will be checked with big care. It had been possible, in the huge pile ups, that some mistakes happened. However, know also that FT5GA was pirated a lot of times, even on the scheduled DXpedition frequencies. These malevolences are not of our fact, and we ask the community to understand us if some QSOs will be rejected for having not be found in the log."

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (K4M and LoTW). "NCDXF (Northern California DX Foundation) will be sending the K4M webmaster, Don, N1DG, a complete list of all contributors for K4M LoTW upload. Any NCDXF contributor in the last *eighteen* months will be included. This will be done as soon as we have booked October contributors which should be by November 4th. You *DO NOT* have to E-mail N1DG to make this happen, so please do not. 73, The Board of NCDXF"

NEW ADDRESS. QSL Manager Gene, UA9AB, who is a manager for several stations, says that his address has changed to:
Gene Shcumat, PO Box 18527, Chelyabinsk 454021, RUSSIA
Gene said that his old address is still valid for the immediate future.

DID YOU WORK KP4AO on November 1st? Special event station KP4AO was activated by the A.R.C. Arecibo Observatory. Activity was to celebrate 46th anniversary of operations at the Arecibo Observatory Radio Telescope (still the single largest radio telescope antenna in the world). Also, they will commemorate the 35th anniversary of the Arecibo Message, which was sent on November 16, 1974, in binary code and transmitted to the globular star cluster M13, for if it is received by intelligent life, it will let them know about our existence..... For every QSL received, a special certificate will be issued, so please include a #10 BUSINESS SIZE SASE with your QSL. QSL via W3HNK. Official Web site for the Arecibo Observatory is: http://www.naic.edu

QSL KP4KE via OK1DOT (For the recent 2009 CQWW DX SSB Contest and older QSOs as well).

VK9GWM QSL CARDS. It has been reported by Chris, HA5X/HG5XA, that he hopes all of you have received your VK9GMW cards by now, especially direct and OQRS requests. He states, "Although designing and printing the cards took a bit longer than expected, the OQRS system helped a lot in processing the requests. Tomi, HA7RY, was very busy the past few months processing all remaining requests for VK9WWI, 5K0T and VK9GMW QSL cards, and even if somebody had sent a request for only one of the expeditions, he checked if the same callsign was there in the other expedition logs and automatically sent a card for that expedition as well. Cards and OQRS requests for VK9GMW are still coming in and they will be processed after Tomi has returned from the currently ongoing TX3A expedition."

QSLS VIA LOTW: FO/G3BJ, FT5GA and K4M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5B4AIF, TL0A, V51AS, VK9DWX, XU7TZG and ZB3B

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: E4/OM2DX, EY7AF, FG/OM3LA, FP/KV1J, T32OU, T32Z, TA2MW/0, TI50DX, V25OP, V73NS, VO1IMD, VP5T and VY1JA

SOTA DAY. The North American "Summits on the Air" (SOTA) activation day, is Saturday, November 14th. The four North American associations of "Summits on the Air" are planning a multi-summit activation spanning the North American continent. Portable, mountain top stations will be operating from the VE2, W1, W2, and W6 call areas. The operators will be using the extensive spotting and alerting system devised by the SOTA organization. Seasoned "summit chasers" all over Europe will have the opportunity to work expeditions on SOTA's western frontier, and a new group of North American chasers will get a chance to work multiple summits. To join in the fun, visit the SOTA Web site at <http://www.sota.org.uk/> and set aside Saturday morning, November 14th, for Summits on the Air.

T8, PALAU. Pista, HA5AO, will once again be active as T88CI from the Island of Koror (OC-009) between November 25th and December 10th. This will be a holiday style operation, and his activity will be on the HF bands 80-10 meters, possibly 160m, mainly on CW. There is a chance he may also be on SSB and RTTY. Pista will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. A log search will be available on his Web site at: http://ha5ao.novolab.hu QSL via HA5AO, direct, by the Buraeu or LoTW.

TM1, FRANCE (Special Event). Members of the Havre Radio Club (F8KHN) will be active using the special callsign TM1TJV between November 4-8th. Activity will be on all HF bands using several different modes. The special event is to celebrate the departure of some 30 trans-Atlantic sailing ships during the "Transat Jacques Vabre 2009" race between Le Havre, France and Costa-Rica's Caribbean coast. QSL by the Bureau or direct to: Radio Club Havrais, BP101, 76050 Le Havre, Cedex, FRANCE. For more details on the race, visit the following Web page at: http://www.jacques-vabre.com/en/s01_home/s01p01_home.php#

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND. By the time you read this, TX3A should be close to Chesterfield Island (expected to arrive early Monday morning) and may be on the air possibly Monday or Tuesday. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY have had to fight rough seas and had to anchor at Saumarez Reef on October 27th for a fews day, but left again on October 31st. Latest reports -- "2 to 3 meter seas, with the boat rolling heavily." The good news that was announced this past week was the TX3A license has been extended, and they will be able to use the callsign between November 2nd and December 6th. For more detailed information and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.TX3A.com

UR, UKRAINE (Contest/Mountain Op). Operators Alex/R7IRK, Vladimir/US5ID, Valery/UU1JN, Anatol/UU5JA, Elena/UV5ESZ and Roman/UY7IQ will be active as homecall/p from Crimea on Karaby Mountain (1000m high ASL) between November 2-9th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, and the group will take part in the Ukrainian DX Contest as UU5JZA. Reference numbers for the Ukrainian Flora Fauna Award (UFF) is 201 and for the Ukrainian Regional Districts Award (URDA) is KR07. QSL UU5JZA via UY7IQ.

VI5, AUSTRALIA (Special Event). Members of the Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club will activate the special event callsign VI50LZ between October 31st and November 8th. Activity is to celebrate the club's 50th anni-versary. Operations will be on all HF bands. Check out the club's Web site each day for exact operating times, frequencies and modes at: http://www.earc.org.au

VK8, AUSTRALIA. Stuie, VK8NSB, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via VK6NE.

VK9 C, L, M, N, W & X DELETED FROM DX EQUATION. The Australian Communi-cations and Media Authority (ACMA) has decided to discontinue the use of a VK9 callsign suffix letter to denote each of the six Australian external territories, each a DX entity. The long-standing prefixes included VK9C for Cocos (Keeling) Island, VK9L Lord Howe Island, VK9M Mellish Reef, VK9N Norfolk Island, VK9W Willis Island and VK9X Christmas Island. For more details, please refer to the Amateur Radio Victoria Web page at: http://amateurradio.com.au/node/856

VP2M, MONTSERRAT (Update). Operators Tom/DL2RUM (as VP2MUM), Rudi/DM2XO (as VP2MXO) and 3D20CR op Jan/DJ8NK (as VP2MNK) will operate from here between November 3-16th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns per the QRZ.com address or by the Bureau.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS (Update/Reminder). Members of the CRAM and the Uruguay DX Group will be active from Port Stanley between November 14-21st. They hope to start operations at their local sunset on the 14th, starting on 40 meters, depending on transportation matters. The group will sign VP8BUH on SSB and VP8BUG on CW/Digital modes. Their activity will focus on the lower bands, Digital modes and the 30/17/12 meter bands. They plan to have 3 stations on around the clock. Operators mentioned include: Gus/CX2AM (CW), Gus/CX3CE (Low-Bander), Bert/CX3AN (CW/SSB), Mario/CX4CR (CW, SSB and Digital), Luis/CX4AAJ (Digital - CQWW RTTY

Winner) and Horacio/CX3BH (who is 91 years young!). QSL Manager is David, EB7DX. Pilot and Web master: Carlos, CX8ABF. For more details, see: http://www.qsl.net/vp8bug

VP9, BERMUDA. Mark, AA1AC, will be operating from the Hamilton Parish, Bermuda, as VP9/AA1AC from December 6-12th. QSL via to his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

XR0, EASTER ISLAND (Update/Reminder). By the time you read this, an international team of operators will be active as XR0Y from Rapa Nui between now and November 15th. This will be a lite and small DXpedition with 6 operators. Operators are: Marco/CE6TBN, Leszek/NI1L, Aart/PA3C, Zbig/SP7HOV, Stan/SQ8X and Victoria/SV2KBS. Their priority will be working Europe on 30 meters CW (since there is an incredibly high demand on 30m), and also 40 and 80m during the first 7 days of the DXpedition. This means their focus will be on the European during the first half of their activity. The second part of the DXpedition will be dedicated to all continents (especially Africa and Asia [other than JA]). For more details, please see their Web page at: ttp://rapanui2009.org
They plan to have three stations on the air at the same time (two of them with amps) mainly on CW, but also on SSB and RTTY. Their suggested band plan is as follows:

BAND/MODES	CW	RTTY	SSB
160m	1826 up	2-5 EU N/A	1843 up
	up 5-10 NA	N/A	1843 up
	dwn 6-11 JA	N/A	1843 up
80m	3505 up	2-5 3580 up	1-5 3725 up
40m	7005 up	7034 up 1-3	7075 up + 7145 RX NA
30m	10120 up	N/A	N/A
20m	14005 up	14091 up	14200 up
17m	18073 up	18102 up 1-5	18140 up 5-15
15m	21005 up	21083 up	21295 up
12m	24893 up	24923 up 1-5	24935 up
10m	28023 up	28085 up 1-5	28480 up

QSL policy and routes as follows:
* Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania: direct/bureau via Stan, SQ8X:
Stan, P.O.Box 8, 38-600 Lesko, POLAND
* North, Central & South America: direct/bureau via RCCh:
Radio Club de Chile, P.O.Box 13630, 330996 Santiago, CHILE

They will have 2 QSL card types and 3 QSLing routes to chose voluntary from:

1] REGULAR QSL TYPE.
Direct requests: Cards received with 2 USDs or 1 VALID IRC (NO COINS PSE) + SAE = returned via direct. ATTENTION: Your IRC must be a NEW TYPE IRC VALID UNTIL 2013 (cards will be replied in 2010) and must be stamped IN A COUNTRY OF DESTINATION. For instance they can't reply to a card received from Japan if the IRC received from

Japan is stamped in the USA etc. ☐ Their Post Office refuses such
IRCs. If coins, no SAE, invalid or incorrectly stamped 2010 IRC or
insufficient funds to cover postage received = returned via bureau.
KEEP IN MIND THE CORRECT QSL ROUTE DEPENDING ON YOUR LOCATION!

Bureau requests: Cards received via bureau = returned via bureau.

OQRS direct requests: 5 USDs or 4 EUROs via OQRS = returned via
direct. OQRS will become available once XR0Y gets on the air.

2] SPECIAL, LIMITED EDITION QSL CARD.
There will be an unique, extraordinary QSL card designed and printed
in a very limited amount ☐ available on voluntary request only via
OQRS. Due to special arrangements regarding printing this type of
cards, rates for this OQRS will be announced as soon they arrange
printing conditions. No doubt it will be something amazing in your
QSL collection!

LoTW & eQSL - They will upload logs to LoTW and eQSL after the DXpedition
in several months in 2010.

ONLINE LOG - Once they upload their first log, it will become available
at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=XR0Y
They plan to upload their logs at this subpage once a day
around local midnight or morning hours (so approx. 6.00 or
12 UTC hours each day of the DXpedition). Online log is
subject to change due to conditions they will meet at the
island (Internet accessibility etc).

LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Reports indicate that the team is missing some of
the radio equipment which did not arrive on the island with the team
(an Icom 756 pro III and RTTY units). Refer to their Web page for updates.

Z2, ZIMBABWE. Fernando, EA4BB (ex-ST2BF, TU5JL, D2BB, 9Q5BB), informs
OPDX that he has obtained his license in Zimbabwe and is "already making
some QRM from Harare." His callsign is Z21BB, and he hopes to be
using it for the next two years or so. Fernando states, "For the time
being I have only dipoles and delta loops for 10, 15 and 20 meters. I
plan to build new antennas for the WARC bands as well as two loops for
40 and 80 meters, and maybe to increase power (for the time being I am
limited to 100W). Also, later in the year I hope I will put up a 3-element
beam for 10, 15 and 20 meters. For now I am mostly on CW, but I will
scale up SSB operations as I improve my antenna system. My QSL Manager
is Joe, W3HNK. Best regards from Zimbabwe, and CU on the air."

ZB2, GIBRALTAR. Jorma, OH2KI, will be active as ZB2X during the CQ
World Wide DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) possibly as a Single-Op/
Single-Band or Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH2KI.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM during
the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry.

QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. ADDED NOTE: John will also be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st, 2010) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Rick, AI5P, will once again be active as ZL/AI5P between November 1-6th. Activity will be from New Zealand's main island, North Island (OC-036). Rick usually works mostly CW on 40-17 meters running an IC-706 into wire antennas. QSL via AI5P.

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11633. Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 00:08:15 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11595 Message: 11633

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From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, November 1, 2009, 11:54 AM

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Art - N4PJ

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> I notify them I am coming in to purchase.

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> Left 50 of them over

> there for somone else to purchase -- hi hi

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> Good luck to the rest of you ---

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> Make sure you get

> the stamp on the left side of the IRC in case you want to cash them in

> the future for non-use -- tell the clerk it must have the stamp !!

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> up 30 of them this morning.

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> I have the sweetess

> Supervisor in the world working with me.

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> She knows the

> regulations and will keep me in supply.

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> Hope the rest of

> you guys find a professional Postal Employee like I

> did.

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> I asked if she could supply others not in area and

> her answer was how many and where. You would prob have to pay

> postage to your home address but that is not much and not cost

> of gas and a negative response from your own Post Office not

> willing to help

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> Let me know if you need

> info.

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11634. Re: Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 11:08:28 UTC
From: wc5m
Topic: 11615 Message: 11634

There seemed to be quite a few who did not know K4M was working split. Tnx to the cluster every nitwit out there with a keyer thinks he's a DXer. Just my 2 cents...

Just found XR0Y lonly calling CQ on 3505. Worked him with one call. Posted him to the cluster and all hell broke loose.

Mark WC5M

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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> At 01:54 PM 11/1/2009, you wrote:
> >Well who needs them? I have extra VK9's over the years.
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> >No takers, they can then go up on e-Bay....
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> >Bob
> >K2TK
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> Personally, I don't see the removal of a letter after the VK9
> prefix as anything to get upset about. It's an administrative
> nuisance for whoever issues the calls. Ham radio call signs, and Ham
> radio in general, are a *very* insignificant part of what government
> agencies have to deal with. 25-30 years ago, there was little to no
> satellite and cable TV, no cell phones and no Internet. Radio, be it
> short wave or regular AM broadcasts, were a primary means of
> communication. Technology changed dramatically in the ensuing decades.
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> Government agencies tasked with administering communications
> were not given more resources. They were given satellite and cable
> TV, cell phones the Internet to regulate. Thankfully (for them)
> radio usage declined just as dramatically as the new technology
> ballooned. (For example, I can tune the entire AM broadcast band
> here in the Halifax area and there is not one single station
> left.) Commercial shortwave broadcasting has taken the same
> route. Most of it is transmitted via satellite or the
> Internet. Radio no longer needs the strict regulation it did in 1970.
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> As to VK9 calls, in 1970 I had to wait a week to get WA6AUD's DX
> Bulletin to find out where VK9DX was. Today, it will be spotted 37
> times on the DX Cluster system in their first hour of operation. It
> will be pre-announced weeks in advance in every electronic form
> imaginable. If I miss all of that I will go to QRZ.COM and look it
> up in seconds. It doesn't have to be VK9XDX for me to find out it is
> on Christmas Island.
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> K4M is a call that did not indicate where it was. However, I
> wonder if there is a single member of this list who did not know all
> about the Midway operation weeks before it occurred.
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> We don't like change, and we can complain about it. It won't
> help. The Australian (and every other country) government puts a
> much higher priority on looking after satellite and cable TV, cell
> phones the Internet than radio. What they do dedicate to radio is
> limited to important things like aircraft and marine frequencies, not
> to us eccentric few trying to exchange 1800 vintage code with some
> other eccentrics camped out on an obscure clump of rocks off
> shore. We can and do continue to do this, but we can't expect the
> same strict regulations from our governments that we had in decades past.
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> DX IS! :-)
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> And yeah, I have all the VK9 QSLs I'll ever need too. And a few
> extra, Mine are going for half what you are asking for yours, Bob! :-) :-)
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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11635. Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 12:00:02 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11595 Message: 11635

I believe in donations as well and I do "sponsor" many dxpeditions. But 2 IRCs is now over $4 U.S. and a manager should not ask for 2 IRCs when a single IRC should get the job done.

Art - N4PJ

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> > RETIREMENT - LEISURE, REST and
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> > Servant to Bridgett, Collin and
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11636. Re:New IRCs availability

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 11:57:19 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11595 Message: 11636

Am I to understand that you cannot exchange IRCs for stamps at your post office? I thought Germany was one of the signatories of the international postal agreement, i.e., you could use IRCs.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA" <Axel.Schernikau@...> wrote:
>
> yes, Drucksache -> printed matter
>
> May be some guys do this but it's not correct in that case.
>
> I know people nearby the border to SP, OK, LX etc. try to send batches
> from there too.
>
> 73 & gl
>
> Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
> dl6kva@...
>
> RICHARD SOLOMON schrieb:
> >
> >
> > I have received QSL cards from Germany that were franked with much
> > less postage.
> > They were marked Drucksack or something like that. I don't have any
> > envelopes to
> > research this, But I remember sending some GS's and thinking that the
> > stamps on
> > the envelope were much less than I sent.
> >
> > 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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> > > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > > From: Axel.Schernikau@...
> > > Date: Sun, 1 Nov 2009 19:27:36 +0000
> > > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re:New IRCs availability
> > >
> > > Hello Phil,
> > >
> > > wondering about Your calculations ...
> > >
> > > The fees from Germany for 20g letters are the following:
> > >
> > > a) to inside DL - 0.55 EUR

> > > b) to inside EU (outside DL) - 0.70 EUR
> > > c) to outside EU - 1.70 EUR
> > >
> > > Now we take the current exchange rate (official bank rate) 1.47 USD for
> > > 1 EUR (was already up to 1.50 USD last week) and do a calculation:
> > >
> > > 1 USD = 0.68 EUR
> > > 2 USD = 1,36 EUR
> > > 3 USD = 2.04 EUR
> > >
> > > So it's easy to see that even 2 USD are NOT enough to get Your QSL
> > > returned directly from Germany. Many guys here volountair it themself
> > > (not asking 2 USD for direct inside EU p.e.) but if You think about
> > > managers who handle quite a good amount of requests it's not
> > possible to
> > > answer directly to requests with 2 USD to North America etc.
> > >
> > > For the IRC it's easier as You can gave Your letter together with 1 IRC
> > > to the post office and have it send for it. But there's no way to
> > redeem
> > > them for money or stamps here.
> > >
> > > 73 & gl,
> > >
> > > Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
> > > dl6kva@...
> > >
> > >
> > > Phil & Anne Irons schrieb:
> > > > aburkefl wrote:
> > > >
> > > >>
> > > >>
> > > >> Except when some of those bums demand 2 IRCs!
> > > >>
> > > >> Art - N4PJ
> > > >>
> > > >>
> > > > I agree with Art...these are the guys [and/or gals, but I doubt
> > it] who
> > > > are out to rip us off. Having said that, I was recently in
> > Germany, and
> > > > I took some cards with me that were sent to German managers.
> > > > Obviously, I had to buy German postage to get my card back. The cost
> > > > for Airmail postage from Germany to Canada [read North America] was
> > > > ¤1.70. When I left for Europe, I bought 100 euros at my bank. They
> > > > cost $158 and change Canadian. That works out to about $2.60 CAD;
> > call
> > > > it $2.50 USD. Can't put one green stamp into a direct card to Europe

> > > > any more--those European managers who are asking for $2 USD are NOT
> > > > trying to rip us off--we don't know when we are well off.
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> > > > Phil/VE1BVD
> > > > Sydney, NS
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11637. Re: Vee Kay 9 deletions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 12:01:26 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11615 Message: 11637

After all the negative comments I've seen about the cluster, I found him on 3505 as well, worked him and didn't spot anything at all. If I could find him with my G5RV, I guess just about anyone could find him!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "wc5m" <wc5m@...> wrote:
>
> There seemed to be quite a few who did not know K4M was working split. Tnx to the cluster every nitwit out there with a keyer thinks he's a DXer. Just my 2 cents...
>
> Just found XR0Y lonly calling CQ on 3505. Worked him with one call. Posted him to the cluster and all hell broke loose.
>
> Mark WC5M
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@> wrote:
> >
> > At 01:54 PM 11/1/2009, you wrote:
> > >Well who needs them? I have extra VK9's over the years.
> > >
> > >No takers, they can then go up on e-Bay....
> > >
> > >Bob
> > >K2TK
> >
> >
> > Personally, I don't see the removal of a letter after the VK9
> > prefix as anything to get upset about. It's an administrative
> > nuisance for whoever issues the calls. Ham radio call signs, and Ham
> > radio in general, are a *very* insignificant part of what government
> > agencies have to deal with. 25-30 years ago, there was little to no
> > satellite and cable TV, no cell phones and no Internet. Radio, be it
> > short wave or regular AM broadcasts, were a primary means of
> > communication. Technology changed dramatically in the ensuing decades.
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> > Government agencies tasked with administering communications
> > were not given more resources. They were given satellite and cable
> > TV, cell phones the Internet to regulate. Thankfully (for them)
> > radio usage declined just as dramatically as the new technology
> > ballooned. (For example, I can tune the entire AM broadcast band
> > here in the Halifax area and there is not one single station
> > left.) Commercial shortwave broadcasting has taken the same
> > route. Most of it is transmitted via satellite or the
> > Internet. Radio no longer needs the strict regulation it did in 1970.

> >
> > As to VK9 calls, in 1970 I had to wait a week to get WA6AUD's DX
> > Bulletin to find out where VK9DX was. Today, it will be spotted 37
> > times on the DX Cluster system in their first hour of operation. It
> > will be pre-announced weeks in advance in every electronic form
> > imaginable. If I miss all of that I will go to QRZ.COM and look it
> > up in seconds. It doesn't have to be VK9XDX for me to find out it is
> > on Christmas Island.
> >
> > K4M is a call that did not indicate where it was. However, I
> > wonder if there is a single member of this list who did not know all
> > about the Midway operation weeks before it occurred.
> >
> > We don't like change, and we can complain about it. It won't
> > help. The Australian (and every other country) government puts a
> > much higher priority on looking after satellite and cable TV, cell
> > phones the Internet than radio. What they do dedicate to radio is
> > limited to important things like aircraft and marine frequencies, not
> > to us eccentric few trying to exchange 1800 vintage code with some
> > other eccentrics camped out on an obscure clump of rocks off
> > shore. We can and do continue to do this, but we can't expect the
> > same strict regulations from our governments that we had in decades past.
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> > DX IS! :-)
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> > And yeah, I have all the VK9 QSLs I'll ever need too. And a few
> > extra, Mine are going for half what you are asking for yours, Bob! :-) :-)
> >
> > 73, Paul VE1DX
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11638. Laugh of the Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 12:10:16 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11638 Message: 11638

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11639. Re: [DX-IS] Laugh of the Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 14:34:46 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11638 Message: 11639

I guess that callsign has been recycled? I have a QSL AND a coffee cup
(which I just filled with coffee for the fun of it after reading this post)
for the 1995 XR0Y Easter Island DXpedition.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Nov 2, 2009 at 6:10 AM, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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11640. ARLP044 Propagation de G0KYA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 15:36:15 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 11587 Message: 11640

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP044
ARLP044 Propagation de G0KYA

ZCZC AP44
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 44 ARLP044
>From Steve Nichols, G0KYA
Wymondham, England October 30, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP044
ARLP044 Propagation de G0KYA

The propagation bulletin this week is written by Steve Nichols, G0KYA, of the RSGB's Propagation Studies Committee in the English county of Norfolk. K7RA is out of town and will return next week for the November 6 Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP045.

Well, what a week it has been. The solar flux hit 82.3 on Tuesday, the highest recording yet since the first observed "new cycle sunspot" in January 2008, which was the "official" visual start of Sunspot Cycle 24.

Even as I write this, the flux is still at 80, thanks to sunspot region 1029, so let's hope that it is a sign of better things to come.

The region (1029) produced several B-class solar flare events and a single C2.2 class flare on the 28th, but luckily CQ World Wide SSB was unaffected for the most part.

NASA's STEREO "behind" spacecraft is not showing any new spots coming around the solar rim, but we live in hope. I was lucky enough to record a Podcast with Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA at the RSGB's Convention in the UK where he talked about Solar Cycle 24 and the possible effect of galactic cosmic rays on Top Band propagation. You can hear the Podcast at, http://www.g0kya.blogspot.com.

In the UK a combination of sporadic-E and F2 layer propagation made 10 meters a "must have" band for contesters last weekend. The 28 MHz band was full of European stations and I personally worked more than 25 countries in two hours of casual operation. Longer DX included 4X (Israel) and ZS9 (South Africa) with signal strengths peaking at 59 with very simple antennas. I can't remember the last time 10 meters was so active, although it was interesting to note that on Monday the band was completely clear. It just shows that you should call CQ once in a while.

Tim, K6GEP reports that he and other Southern California amateurs worked YO4ATW on 10 meters around 1930z on October 25 during CQ World Wide SSB. No other European countries were heard on the band at that time. Only 100 watts and modest tri-band yagis were used at both ends.

Marcel, YO4ATW was a single band entry on 10 meters, and made over 340 contacts, including some in South America. On another day this week, he worked some Brazilians around 1800z. Multi-hop Es or F layer? Let's hope it is a pointer towards better things to come.

Al, AB2ZY also found 21 MHz wide open. From the Adirondacks in upper New York state with a single ground-mounted Butternut HF6V vertical with lots of radials, an ICOM 756 Pro III transceiver and an old Yaesu FL-2100B amplifier, he was hearing Western European stations well after their sundown.

At the other end of the spectrum 80 meters was also a great band with many US and Canadian stations giving novice European operators their first trans-Atlantic QS0s around 3.8 MHz. K3LR in PA was still audible more than one hour after sunrise in the UK.

Let's hope we get similar conditions for CQ World Wide CW in November.

K7RA--and normality--will be back next week.

73 de Steve G0KYA

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for October 22 through 28 were 0, 30, 21, 28, 29, 29, and 26 with a mean of 23.3. 10.7 cm flux was 71.6, 72.9, 75.6, 75.5, 81.3, 81.5, and 79.9 with a mean of 76.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 14, 8, 8, 5, 3, 3 and 2 with a mean of 6.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 12, 7, 5, 3, 3, 2 and 3 with a mean of 5.
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11641. Re: [DX-IS] Laugh of the Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 21:06:08 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11638 Message: 11641

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> XE0Y-@ 3795.0 KJ2S OK I will be there shortly
> 1123 02 Nov
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----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 4:10 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Laugh of the Day

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> Art - N4PJ
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11642. Re: [DX-IS] Laugh of the Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 21:21:06 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11638 Message: 11642

Heehee - so did he work XE0Y on 3795? Something tells me there's a big
difference between XE0 and XR0 ...

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Nov 2, 2009 at 3:06 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@... <aburkefl%40comcast.net>>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>>
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11643. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11643

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 02 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 306 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (03 - 05 November).
III. Event Probabilities 03 Nov-05 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Nov 071
Predicted 03 Nov-05 Nov 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 02 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 Nov 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Nov 002/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Nov-05 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Nov-05 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11644. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 22:14:55 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 9721 Message: 11644

Looks like we're slipping into the doldrums again. Oh well ... one of these days we'll get a multitude of sunspots.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Nov 2, 2009 at 4:11 PM, Paul Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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11645. Re: Laugh of the Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 22:41:34 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11638 Message: 11645

Pay closer attention! That's XE0Y you're showing, not XR0Y - I saw that post. The idiot who pirated the call couldn't even get it right!

Art - N4PJ

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11646. Re: Laugh of the Day

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 22:42:52 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11638 Message: 11646

I saw that same post this morning as well. Another one of those situations where pleading on the cluster can't do much good. The guys on Easter Island *do* have internet access, but it's very limited. It's apparently available to them only at some not-to-distant internet cafe. They're apparently using it only to upload logs - which they've done once already.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:
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> Heehee - so did he work XE0Y on 3795? Something tells me there's a big
> difference between XE0 and XR0 ...
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Mon, Nov 2, 2009 at 3:06 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:
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> > > XE0Y-@ 3795.0 KJ2S OK I will be there shortly
> > > 1123 02 Nov
> > > KJ2S 3795.0 XR0Y PSE QSY FOR QUICK CONTACT TU 1112 02 Nov
> > > KJ2S 3795.0 XR0Y CAN U QSY FOR QUICK CONTACT? 1059 02 Nov
> > >
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> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@... <aburkefl%40comcast.net>>
> > > To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>>
> > > Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 4:10 AM
> > > Subject: [DX-IS] Laugh of the Day
> > >
> > > > This morning I woke up well before sunrise. Thinking TX3A just might be
> > > on
> > > > 40 or 80, I forced myself out of bed and into the shack. No evidence of
> > > > the TX3A, but XR0Y was very much in the clear on 3505, listening up.
> > > >
> > > > After setting up for split, I tuned around 3 or 4 kHz above his xmit freq
> > >
> > > > and found the pack. After half a dozen calls, I had found two or three he
> > >
> > > > was working and there didn't seem to be any pattern, so I looked for a
> > > > "quiet" sliver of the band and called. A few minutes later I worked him.
> > > >
> > > > Out of curiosity, I fired up the cluster. There were a few spots for him,

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> > > but not many. But there were two interesting spots.
> > >
> > > KJ2S had a "spot" on 3795: XR0Y 3795 PSE QSY FOR QUICK CONTACT TU
> > >
> > > On the announcements page (I use CCUser and announcements are broked out
> > > nicely on a separate page from the spots - try it, you'll like it!), K4ZJ
> >
> > > posted "KJ2S, thanks for laugh of the day"
> > >
> > > Perhaps he didn't think that was adequate, so he made his own "spot" that
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> > > looked like: "XR0Y PSE QSY to 146.52 MHz for QSO?"
> > >
> > > Perhaps proving that if you summed up their IQ's you'd get a number less
> > > than the age of either one of 'em! Yeah, gotta love that cluster - how
> > > could you DX without it?
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> > > Art - N4PJ
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11647. Re: What is your problem

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-02 23:00:38 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11647 Message: 11647

Leif - LA9BM,

There have been many other European amateurs who have thanked me for spotting their PSK-31 stations. For those of us who have hearing impairments which has lessened our ability to enjoy the CW and SSB DX we once enjoyed, PSK-31 DX remains a possibility. The world wide DX Cluster provides a way of passing the information... though SM and ON may not be DX to you, they can be a new band mode entities for those who are chasing the ARRL DXCC Challenge.

I am well aware that I am sharing the DX Cluster with many who may not be interested in PSK-31 spots; each week I spot only a small portion of what I see at my station however I usually start on Monday and apparently you saw me spot twenty DX stations including OD5YY, J28KO, and VR2XLN (all PSK-31) over the course of an hour this morning.

There are several ways to filter spots of no interest. You may be interested in http://www.dxcluster.org/main/filtering_en-6.html#ss6.4 or http://www.dxcluster.org/main/filtering_en-6.html#ss6.5 which provide ways to reject spots you are not interested in.

Leif, I do not wish to diminish your enjoyment of DX, however I do want to see more DXers use PSK-31 from more DX entities.

Best regards,

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9679 Heron Bay Rd
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(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

From: Leif Breie
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 8:34 AM
To: glhuber@...
Subject: What is your problem

AB9M Gary

Why are you spotting all the PSK31 on 20 meter? Do you think we all are interested only in PSK31? This cluster is to inform about DX. Do you think you are alone on this cluster? There are other people like to put info on the cluster regarding real DX. SM and ON are not dx of interest.

STOP your crazy rape on the cluster. You only make QRM

Leif

11648. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 00:26:49 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 11648

The numbers are better than 68!

Paul, VE1DX, is working hard to pump them up a bit. Give him a few days. You'' see the results.

:-)
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 5:14 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Looks like we're slipping into the doldrums again. Oh well ... one of these days we'll get a multitude of sunspots.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Nov 2, 2009 at 4:11 PM, Paul Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 02 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 306 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (03 - 05 November).
III. Event Probabilities 03 Nov-05 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Nov 071
Predicted 03 Nov-05 Nov 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 02 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 Nov 002/002

Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Nov 002/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Nov-05 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Nov-05 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

11649. WTB: Mini Quad antenna

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 02:37:16 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11649 Message: 11649

It is time to get something directional back up for DXing and contesting, so due to space limitations I am looking for a TGM or Mini Products MQ-1 Mini Quad, if anyone has one for sale after upgrading to a larger antenna.
I have owned one of these before and had pretty good luck with it and am familiar with the setup and performance of it.

I can pay with paypal or a MO. Let me know the price shipped to ZIP 73507 (Lawton, OK). I could also pick it up in the Oklahoma or Northern Texas area.

73s John AA5JG

11650. Re: SV: [DX-IS] Re: What is your problem

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 14:01:09 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11650 Message: 11650
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Thank you for the email response Leif. You are correct; we most likely will not agree about how to use the cluster. As a former SYSOP of a DX-cluster / DXSpider station I've seen many opinions on what should or should not be allowed.

If you are connecting over a RF link, you may want to consider the filter I suggested previously to reduce the overhead of your local network. If you are connecting over the internet, similar filters will reduce the unwanted spots and let your computer run just a bit faster. I have no interest in the WARC bands so I use a band filter but I could also use a mode filter if I did not want CW or SSB spots. There is much information and much junk on the DX-cluster system. And with the world-wide interconnection what may be valuable information at one location, is little use elsewhere so filtering is the key.

With 341/336 verified by the ARRL, I still have DX to work and continued interest in the DX-cluster system. May you continue to have success in your DX endeavors.

73 ES DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Leif Breie
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 1:47 AM
To: 'WB6PSY/N6AXK' ; glhuber@msn.com ; kk1l@...
Subject: SV: [DX-IS] Re: What is your problem

Good morning

I am sure there are HAMs who prefer that 30 - 40% of the cluster is occupied by your announcement Gary. But you totally misunderstand the purpose with a DX CLUSTER. The cluster give us an idea of the conditions AND info about rare DX on the band. If you spot a couple of EU station on 20 meter, we know there are conditions between USA and EU. Why fill up the whole cluster telling us that DL1AA, DL1BB, F1CCC aso are on the band? I rather like to know when TX3A is QRV and other rare DX.

Well, no use to spend time discussing this matter anymore. From experience, I know that we will not agree upon the use of a DX Cluster.

And if it helps my argumentation, I can also send this E-mail to many friends and get their acceptance to my opinion. But you will probably not be convinced or impressed if I send you the copy from my fellows, like you are doing Gary.

Please keep the cluster clean without a lot of garbage and uninterested info.

This is my last E-mail regarding the cluster.

73 de Leif

Fra: WB6PSY/N6AXK [mailto:tagteam@...]
Sendt: 3. november 2009 02:53
Til: Leif Breie
Emne: Re: [DX-IS] Re: What is your problem

(this was sent on my own volition)

Leif - I've read both your message to Gary and his response, both below. You are a despicable lowlife for your vile attack on a ham radio operator who, perhaps, doesn't share your views. Is it possible that there are others in this world who work PSK-31 or do you think Gary is the only one? I used to listen to our DX repeater and hated when someone spotted RTTY but I had to accept that RTTY is a part of ham radio.

Let me give you an example of who I am. I am a DXer who only works 10 metres so, obviously, there's not much these days. During the height of the sunspot cycle I have worked over 200 countries and 39 zones on the CQWWSSB weekend, and guess what?, I did it without any cluster or spotting devises. Why? Because I'm a real DXer who can find his own DX. I have 342 countries confirmed and none came from a cluster, list or net. Clusters are a crutch much the same as lists and nets are, which you probably sign in to. If the cluster is the only way you can work DX, then more power to you. I don't condemn the cluster as it is a tool for the vast majority of ham radio operators and also shows what part of the world has propagation but I don't choose to use it as, again, I can find my own DX.

My best advise to you is to turn the f*ckin' cluster off as it seems to raise your blood pressure and gets you irritated.

With sincerest regards;-)

Rene - WB6PSY

ex VK2ZIZ, VK2DSW, GØNAD, RG8AU

----- Original Message -----

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To: Leif Breie

Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; DXLab Group ; Sean Kutzko

Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 3:00 PM

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11651. FO/F6CTL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 14:56:23 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11651 Message: 11651

On June 24, 2006 I worked FO/F6CTL on 20M SSB. My DXbase log says it is Marquesas. It looks as if I didn't QSL and I need a phone QSL for this country. Two questions:

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2. can anyone offer a good QSL route or an e-mail for F6CTL or his manager?

I await a response(s) with bated breath.

73

Al, VE1AL

11652. Re: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 15:04:47 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 11651 Message: 11652

Bernie McLenny's DailyDX, http://www.dailydx.com/Issues/10-118.asc, says
it's Marquesas.

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11653. RE: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 15:06:06 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11651 Message: 11653

DailyDX says he was on OC-027. But, the listing had a ..."/M"... after
the call. I hope he wasn't on the boat !!
Also, Pathfinder has an address but it won't let me cut and paste it.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: aleith@...
> Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2009 10:56:23 -0400
> Subject: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL
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11654. RE: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 15:09:13 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11651 Message: 11654

Thanks, Ted. Yes, I saw that in a Google search but wanted to make sure that is the latest information. Since my log notes that the QSO was "flaky" I was hoping to e-mail first to confirm that I am in the log before sending off a request for the QSL. However, if that's the only way to find out I suppose I'll have to invest $5.00 to find out the answer :-(.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ted Roycraft
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 11:05 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

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11655. RE: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 17:37:09 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11651 Message: 11655

Appreciate the info, Dick. No, I don't think he was on a boat with that /M
-- perhaps a motorbike or a small car :-).

One more question before my $5.00 investment: did anyone ever receive a QSL
for the operation?

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 11:06 AM
To: DX List - New
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

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11656. Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 18:55:55 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11656 Message: 11656

These look like a great bargain! (Link at bottom of fwd msg)

From: "N7DF" <n7df@...>
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 6:33 PM
To: <cq-contest@...>
Subject: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

> On another reflector a careless person leaked a secret that has been long reserved to only the top performing contest and dx operators
>
> Since it is unfair to keep this secret from the rest of the contesting community it is only right to pass along the information
>
> this simple device was originally developed to permit maximizing audio systems but has been proven to raise the quality of amateur radio signals to new heights
>
> just read the rave reviews of these devices on the web page
>
> please use these carefully, they may have unexpected results
>
> http://www.parts-express.com/pe/showdetl.cfm?Partnumber=110-439&vReviewShow

I sent in for a large quantity quote:-)

Rene

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.47/2478 - Release Date: 11/03/09 07:36:00

11657. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 19:06:48 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 11656 Message: 11657

And it isn't even April 1 ;^)

On Tue, Nov 3, 2009 at 2:55 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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Geoff
VE1GW

11658. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 19:17:26 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 11656 Message: 11658

On Tue, Nov 3, 2009 at 3:06 PM, Geoff Wilson <ve1gw.sydney@...> wrote:

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Personally I use this:

http://www.canadiantire.ca/AST/browse/3/HouseHome/2/Electrical/ElectricalPowerBars/PRDOVR~0527231P/Home%2BTheatre%2BPower%2BBar.jsp

Available at your friendly Cambodian Tire Store. Does it all Phone line
co-ax and all your power outlets *<;^)
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11659. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 19:43:25 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11656 Message: 11659

Getting those is only part of the secret...

You need the correct cords too...

I've been getting excellent audio reports on my TS930 and also the
Elecraft K2
once I got these with the receptacles.

http://www.audioadvisor.com/prodinfo.asp?number=KKPK10PAL

73,
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K2TK

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11660. Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 19:48:33 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11660

oh boy,..... u GUYS ARE STARTING TO WORRY ME........

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 1:43 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Getting those is only part of the secret...

You need the correct cords too...

I've been getting excellent audio reports on my TS930 and also the
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http://www.audioadvisor.com/prodinfo.asp?number=KKPK10PAL

73,
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K2TK

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> And it isn't even April 1 ;^)
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> On Tue, Nov 3, 2009 at 2:55 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@theunion.net
> <mailto:tagteam@...>> wrote:
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> These look like a great bargain! (Link at bottom of fwd msg)
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> From: "N7DF" <n7df@... <mailto:n7df@...>>
> Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 6:33 PM
> To: <cq-contest@... <mailto:cq-contest@...>>
> Subject: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret
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11661. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 20:21:38 UTC
From: sgalonski1@aol.com
Topic: 11660 Message: 11661

I also installed one on my washer and dryer, I don't have to use bleach or empty the lint traps. Isn't modern technology wonderful to provide us with such innovative products!

In a message dated 11/3/2009 11:49:43 A.M. Pacific Standard Time, joeyw5tfw@... writes:

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11662. RE: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 22:09:22 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11651 Message: 11662

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of RICHARD SOLOMON
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 10:06 AM
To: DX List - New
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FO/F6CTL

DailyDX says he was on OC-027. But, the listing had a ..."/M"... after the call. I hope he wasn't on the boat !!

Also, Pathfinder has an address but it won't let me cut and paste it.

>>>What search button did you click that displayed an address you couldn't cut and paste? Some web sites purposely display address information as an image rather than text, presumably to induce you to subscribe to their service.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

11663. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-03 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11663

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 03 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 307 Issued at 2200Z on 03 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 02/2100Z
to 03/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. The SOHO/LASCO imagery
observed a slow coronal mass ejection (CME) off the southwest limb
at 0501 UTC on 31 October. The CME appears to be earth directed
with a plane-of sky speed of 380 km/s.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 02/2100Z to 03/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on day 1 (4 November). Unsettled conditions
are expected on day 2 (5 November) due to possible effects from the
CME observed on 31 October. Quiet levels are expected to return on
day 3 (6 November).
III. Event Probabilities 04 Nov-06 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 03 Nov 072
Predicted 04 Nov-06 Nov 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 03 Nov 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 02 Nov 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 03 Nov 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 04 Nov-06 Nov 005/005-008/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 04 Nov-06 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/15/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11664. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 09:24:59 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11656 Message: 11664

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Audio & Video Enthusiast from Melbourne, Australia

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11665. TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 10:46:46 UTC
From: wc5m
Topic: 11665 Message: 11665

What are the TX3A ops thinking? At 0800Z this morning they were on 40CW loud and working one about every 10 or 15 seconds. Then at 0900Z they decide to switch to 160M where they are barely audible on my 100ft tall Inverted-L and working contacts at the rate of about 1 every two minutes? Seems to me if you wanted to give as many people as possible a new one you would stick with a pileup that was very productive. Oh well, off my soap box now.

73,
Mark WC5M

11666. Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 12:19:27 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11665 Message: 11666

(A) Their intent on this trip (there are only two guys) is to focus on the low bands.
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I agree with you for the most part. I was listening to them on 40 - excellent signal down here in central Florida - and he was working people from all over - Japan, South Korea, Australia, U.S.

When he suddenly stopped and then announced his QSY to 160 I was also disappointed, but it was unfortunately understandable.

He did have them spread somewhat wide - he was working 1 to 10 up!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "wc5m" <wc5m@...> wrote:
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11667. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 12:52:49 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11665 Message: 11667

seems to me that we all try to tell the Dxers what to do,.....

maybe we need to get a Island and show them how to do it !

:-)
----- Original Message -----
From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 6:19 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

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11668. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 13:37:28 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11656 Message: 11668

Does any other store sell metric screwdrivers? I don't have any of those but
I guess I should go out and get a set!
;-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 3:24 AM, Bob <vk2sob@...> wrote:

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11669. Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 13:50:48 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11669

the WEBSITE, says that metric screwdrivers arent available in the USA, I guess you have to get a Pal to order them elsewhere and ship them to you.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 7:37 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

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11670. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 14:06:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11660 Message: 11670

Oh darn it, I thought Wholesale Tools would have one because I just got a "5% off on your next order" card from them.
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I might as well get metric pliers and a metric crescent wrench too once I find a source for the metric screwdrivers. Maybe 160 meter antennas perform better when assembled with metric pliers.

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On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 7:50 AM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

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11671. PY0T

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 14:11:43 UTC
From: wc5m
Topic: 11671 Message: 11671

Was surprised this morning to receive LoTW QSL's for my two ZY0T QSO's.

73,
Mark WC5M

11672. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 14:14:11 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11672

Zack,

I understand, and I sympathize, I have a 10 % off coupon for LOWES but no dice !

Joey
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

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11673. New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:02:54 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11673 Message: 11673

Rumors are about concerning a new YAESU rig, the FTDX5000MP.

That should give the Yaesu-Bashers some new fodder.

As for me, I can't wait to see some data on it.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

11674. New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:09:52 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11673 Message: 11674

Yaesu bashers ?

are you saying there are some HAMS, that are displeased with Yaesu ? HEAVEN forbid !

:-)

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To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
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11675. Fw: [dx-qso] Re: Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:06:22 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11675 Message: 11675

This makes the high price worth it!

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jim" <aa0mz@...>
Subject: [dx-qso] Re: Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret

The best thing about this socket is when there is a power outage (such as happens in the winter or during one of Kansas' famous spring storms) it still works.

Rene
p.s I'm gonna order a whole house full - especially now I know they work during power outages which we have quite frequently in NorCal...

11676. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:11:20 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11673 Message: 11676

What will the FTDX5000 feature?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 10:09 AM

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As for me, I can't wait to see some data on it.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

11677. RE: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:16:21 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11673 Message: 11677

You know as much as I do at this time.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: aa5jg@...
Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 08:11:20 -0800
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

What will the FTDX5000 feature?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
To: DX-IS@...m
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 10:09 AM

Yaesu bashers ?

are you saying there are some HAMS, that are displeased with Yaesu ? HEAVEN forbid !

:-)

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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73, Dick, W1KSZ

11678. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:28:32 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11673 Message: 11678

1976 Yaesu FT101E - 342 countries confirmed
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 8:09 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.49/2480 - Release Date: 11/04/09 07:37:00

11679. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:33:20 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 11673 Message: 11679

Join the DX Bashers Club, Cluster Bashers Club, DXp Bashers Club, etc ...hams seem like a group of misfits that can't agree with anything.. what a shame. Hearing the amount of noises and deliberate qrm on DXPs is heart breaking...

73 de HK3CW Rob

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From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:09 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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11680. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:53:54 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 11673 Message: 11680

On 160 mtrs I hope?

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 9:28 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

1976 Yaesu FT101E - 342 countries confirmed
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 8:09 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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11681. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 16:56:52 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11673 Message: 11681

You left out the Club Bashers Club and the Basher Bashers Club.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 10:33 AM, HK3CW <hk3cw@...> wrote:

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> Join the DX Bashers Club, Cluster Bashers Club, DXp Bashers Club, etc
> ...hams seem like a group of misfits that can't agree with anything.. what a
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>
> 73 de HK3CW Rob
>
> ----- Original Message -----
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> *From:* Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:09 AM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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> Yaesu bashers ?
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> are you saying there are some HAMS, that are displeased with Yaesu ?
> HEAVEN forbid !
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> :-)
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>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...>
> *To:* DX List - New <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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11682. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:03:04 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11673 Message: 11682

I worked about 150 countries with an FT101E. That was 1993-1994. Mostly on 40 meters because that's the only antenna I had up then. I would tune it for other bands with an antenna tuner but it performed best on 40m.

The only problem was it didn't have "split" and I didn't have the external VFO. I could split about 1.5 kHz using the RIT but for some DX I had to keep spinning the dial back and forth and hoped I'd end up on the same transmit frequency each time. I managed to work 3Y0PI with it on 40 CW with a 45 kHz split. I think I was one of the people referred to in the 3Y0PI book about this.
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73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 10:28 AM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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> 1976 Yaesu FT101E - 342 countries confirmed
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 8:09 AM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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> :-)
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...>
> *To:* DX List - New <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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> Rumors are about concerning a new YAESU rig, the FTDX5000MP.
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11683. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:02:44 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11673 Message: 11683

Finally got A92EV confirmed on 15m SSB the other day for a new 15m country. Sorry Zack, had to rub it in HI HI

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 10:56 AM

You left out the Club Bashers Club and the Basher Bashers Club.
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73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 10:33 AM, HK3CW <hk3cw@hotmail. com> wrote:

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Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:09 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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11684. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:07:29 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11673 Message: 11684

My first real rig was a Yaesu FT101B and I probably worked about 130 countries or so on it with a ground mounted vertical with no radials. That was sure a fun setup. Only got rid of it because I got a deal on a TS130SE in 1985 that was too good to pass up. Would love to get another FT101 someday just for old times sake. Maybe a FT101F due to the rarity of it.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:03 AM

I worked about 150 countries with an FT101E. That was 1993-1994. Mostly on 40 meters because that's the only antenna I had up then. I would tune it for other bands with an antenna tuner but it performed best on 40m.

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com

Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 8:09 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

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11685. Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:08:48 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11685 Message: 11685

During CQWW I worked a 3E1RR. Can't find him in any of the data bases, but know that call is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it just one of those club stations which sometimes don't appear?

TIA

Dale K8TS

11686. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:09:01 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11673 Message: 11686

Hehe, I still haven't worked that one.

And I'm still having an awful time getting a card out of a 40 station. I hope my cards with GS enclosed aren't getting pilfered.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 11:02 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:

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> Finally got A92EV confirmed on 15m SSB the other day for a new 15m
> country. Sorry Zack, had to rub it in HI HI
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On *Wed, 11/4/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail.com>* wrote:
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> From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 10:56 AM
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 10:33 AM, HK3CW <hk3cw@hotmail.
com<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=hk3cw@...>
> > wrote:
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>> ...hams seem like a group of misfits that can't agree with anything.. what a
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>>
>> 73 de HK3CW Rob
>>
>> ----- Original Message -----
>>

>> *From:* Richard J. Fiero II
W5TFW<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=joeyw5tfw@...>
>> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.
com<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
>> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:09 AM
>> *Subject:* [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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>> :-)
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>>
>> ----- Original Message -----
>> *From:* RICHARD SOLOMON<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=w1ksz@...>
>> *To:* DX List - New<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
>> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
>> *Subject:* [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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>> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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11687. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:13:42 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11673 Message: 11687

Good luck on the 4O. I seem to remember getting a 4O3A QSL pretty easily, which was great because it came for a 80m QSO.

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:09 AM

Hehe, I still haven't worked that one.

And I'm still having an awful time getting a card out of a 4O station. I hope my cards with GS enclosed aren't getting pilfered.

73, Zack W9SZ

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 10:56 AM

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Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:09 AM
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11688. Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:16:56 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11685 Message: 11688

Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots, so I assume it was a busted call.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@comcast.net>
Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM

During CQWW I worked a 3E1RR. Can't find him in any of the data bases, but know that call is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it just one of those club stations which sometimes don't appear?

TIA

Dale K8TS

11689. Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:38:41 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 11685 Message: 11689

That reminds me of a local ham which I called on 2 mts once to advise him of a DX on the air. He replied that that station was not on frequecy because he wasn't posted on the cluster! I said..ok seems I just made a qso with a DX that isn't valid because he wasn't on the cluster... 73....bye....
I later confirmed the qso with HV0A on 10 mts. Funny he was never on the cluster...

73 de HK3CW Rob

----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots, so I assume it was a busted call.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
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TIA

Dale K8TS

11690. Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:45:17 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11685 Message: 11690

I've worked several semi-rare DX stations in the past that I sat and watched the cluster for and no spots ever showed up.

I worked TL8NG on 40 CW once. Gene had been calling CQ with no takers. I ragchewed with him for a bit. I spotted him on the cluster. I sat and listened. He called CQ for another 10 or 15 minutes with no takers and went QRT. This was at about midnight local time in Illinois.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 11:38 AM, HK3CW <hk3cw@...> wrote:

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> That reminds me of a local ham which I called on 2 mts once to advise him
> of a DX on the air. He replied that that station was not on frequecy because
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> cluster...
>
> 73 de HK3CW Rob
>
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* John Geiger <aa5jg@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
> To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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> club stations which sometimes don't appear?
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> Dale K8TS
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11691. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:47:03 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11660 Message: 11691

I'm so confused... "Phillips" is so generic for crosshead screws. What
should I be looking for in metric crosshead screws?

Phillips, JIS, French Recess, Reed & Prince or Frearson, or maybe even
Pozidrive?

I want to be sure I get the right type....

73,
Bob
K2TK

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
>
>
> the WEBSITE, says that metric screwdrivers arent available in the USA,
> I guess you have to get a Pal to order them elsewhere and ship them to
> you.
>
>
> Joey
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Zack Widup <mailto:w9sz.zack@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 7:37 AM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret
>
>
>
> Does any other store sell metric screwdrivers? I don't have any of
> those but I guess I should go out and get a set!
> ;-)
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
>
> On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 3:24 AM, Bob <vk2sob@...
> <mailto:vk2sob@...>> wrote:
>
>
>
> I am a little wary of the comments from some of the "Users!"
>
> *Audio & Video Enthusiast* from Melbourne, Australia
> I have to say, I was disappointed at first when the UPS man
> failed to deliver my Wattgate 381 socket without a signature.

> A few days later, I had that hot little baby in my hands. And
> ,oh what a difference from the older Wattgate 351 model! Wow.
> A little more disappointment when I went to install the 381
> and found that I did not have the proper metric Phillips
> screwdriver a short trip to Sears solved that. (IMHO- the
> website should tell you that you need a special tool or it
> should be included for a nominal fee.)
>
> We do not, so far as I am aware, have Sears in Australia.
>
> Bob
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> --
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11692. Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 17:47:13 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11685 Message: 11692

LMAO,.....

Thats 2 FUNNY !

HA HA HA !

----- Original Message -----
From: HK3CW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:38 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

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Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
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Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots, so I assume it was a busted call.

73s John AA5JG

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Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM

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Dale K8TS

11693. Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 18:08:14 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11693

WOw,

thats a VERY good question, I dont know the answer !

Paul Harvey, Would have known !

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From: Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:47 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

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11694. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 18:20:52 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11694

Wouldn't it be Torx? http://www.wihatools.com/Marketing/torxspec.htm Rob, HK3cW
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11695. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 18:38:07 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11673 Message: 11695

If it had mech filters, at least for CW, I would consider looking at it.
But you know that isn't going to happen. Guess I will be using my 1k MPV
until death do us part.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:09 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yaesu bashers ?

are you saying there are some HAMS, that are displeased with Yaesu ?
HEAVEN forbid !

:-)

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Rumors are about concerning a new YAESU rig, the FTDX5000MP.

That should give the Yaesu-Bashers some new fodder.

As for me, I can't wait to see some data on it.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

11696. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11696

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 04 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 Nov 071
Predicted 05 Nov-07 Nov 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 04 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 Nov 001/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 04 Nov 008/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 05 Nov-07 Nov 008/008-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 05 Nov-07 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11697. Re: Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-04 22:30:38 UTC
From: Lee ZL2AL
Topic: 11660 Message: 11697

Q: What's the difference between Phillips, Pozidrive and Robertson (square) screws?

A: Philips drive screws are the screws that have cross-slots that look like an X, stamped into the head. Patented in the 1930's, these were a vast improvement over the antique "slotted" screw, which tended to cam-out easily and were difficult to drive with power drivers.

Robertson (square) drive screws were patented in Canada in 1908 and address problems that the Phillips driver doesn't quite solve. They allow the screw to be placed on the driver prior to the screw being placed in position. What this meant was that for the first time you could start a screw overhead or in a tight spot without an extra hand holding the screw onto the driver.

Pozidrive screws are the European answer to the Phillips shortcomings. The differences are subtle. At first glance it appears to be a Phillips, but on closer examination you'll notice a second set of cross-blades at the root of the large cross-blades. These added blades are for identification and match the additional makings on the head of Pozi-drive screws, known as "tick" marks. So the marks are for identification. Identification of what?

Two features of the Pozi-drive screw and driver combination make it unique, and superior to the Phillips. First, the tip or the Pozidrive driver is blunt, which also helps it to seat better into the recess in the screw, unlike the Phillips which comes to a sharper point. This becomes a problem as the tooling that forges the recess in the head of the screws begins to show signs of wear. The recess becomes more and more shallow, which means the driver will bottom-out too soon and will cause the driver to cam-out.

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> From: "N7DF" <n7df@...>
> Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 6:33 PM
> To: <cq-contest@...>
> Subject: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret
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From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11698

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Date: 2009-11-04 22:41:06 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11699

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11700. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 00:35:26 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11673 Message: 11700

As I recall, the FT101F did NOT have 11 metres...
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 9:07 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

My first real rig was a Yaesu FT101B and I probably worked about 130 countries or so on it with a ground mounted vertical with no radials. That was sure a fun setup. Only got rid of it because I got a deal on a TS130SE in 1985 that was too good to pass up. Would love to get another FT101 someday just for old times sake. Maybe a FT101F due to the rarity of it.

73s John AA5JG

11701. Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 00:39:58 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11685 Message: 11701

Hmmmmm - I tuned, found and worked P5/4L4FN and he wasn't on the cluster...
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 9:45 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?

I've worked several semi-rare DX stations in the past that I sat and watched the cluster for and no spots ever showed up.

I worked TL8NG on 40 CW once. Gene had been calling CQ with no takers. I ragchewed with him for a bit. I spotted him on the cluster. I sat and listened. He called CQ for another 10 or 15 minutes with no takers and went QRT. This was at about midnight local time in Illinois.

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Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
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11702. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 00:42:20 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11660 Message: 11702

Bob, go get some vodka and put a shot of it in some milk of magnesia and
then you'll have a Phillips Screwdriver;-)
Rene

----- Original Message -----
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To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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11703. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 01:04:20 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11673 Message: 11703

That's a GOOD thing...

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

-----Original Message-----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@theunion.net>
Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 16:35:26
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73s John AA5JG

11704. Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 02:22:37 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11673 Message: 11704

Darn, guess it wouldn't be any fun then. I guess if I need a CB fix I could go to the local repeater.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 11/4/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@theunion.net>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 6:35 PM

As I recall, the FT101F did NOT have 11 metres...
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11705. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 03:25:18 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11660 Message: 11705

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Now, as propagation isn't great and my radio wasn't working very well, I put some frequency grease on the antenna to help the signal slide through but it didn't help.

Any suggestions?
Rene

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From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>; "DX" <dx-qso@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 4:42 PM
Subject: [dx-qso] Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

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11706. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 05:15:39 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11660 Message: 11706

Rene;

As propagation is only a relative thing, being that the antenna efficently, ground waves, phyicial location, and number of cards hanging on the wall, your antenna grease might work well in another set of given valiables. Where did you get the stuff?

Dale K8TS

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To: dx-qso@yahoogroups.com, DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 4, 2009 10:25:18 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

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11707. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 05:46:59 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11660 Message: 11707

Dale,
I suspect I got the grease at the three stooges, Many, Moe & Jack's store whilst still living in L.A. I remember bringing up blinker fluid, muffler bearing grease, antenna grease which is high frequency (10m) as opposed to low frequency grease (80m). When the grease is applied it must comply with MIL-TFD-1111. I also brought up an A/C battery for deicing the antenna.
Cheers from NorCal
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 9:15 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

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11708. RE: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 07:50:37 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11665 Message: 11708

Hi Art,

I was disappointed when they suddenly went from 40m to 160m too (as I don't have an antenna on 160m currently). But they have to do what they have to do.

I did manage to get them on 30m for a new one this morning! And will wait patiently for their return to 40m. I see they are there now but 1) I am at work still and 2) it's too early for VK6, anyway...

They will be there for a while longer yet, you will get them.

Good luck guys,

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Wednesday, 4 November 2009 8:19 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

(A) Their intent on this trip (there are only two guys) is to focus on the low bands.
(B) At the time they went QSY to 160 (I was listening to them as well) their location was smack on the gray line - a perfect time to go to 160.

I agree with you for the most part. I was listening to them on 40 - excellent signal down here in central Florida - and he was working people from all over - Japan, South Korea, Australia, U.S.

When he suddenly stopped and then announced his QSY to 160 I was also disappointed, but it was unfortunately understandable.

He did have them spread somewhat wide - he was working 1 to 10 up!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "wc5m" <wc5m@...> wrote:
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Yahoo! Groups Links

11709. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 10:29:51 UTC
From: Marg and Rob
Topic: 11665 Message: 11709

Heard you get him on 30m Lance, will live in hope and plug along with the 100w and zepp .... Rob VK6HG
----- Original Message -----
From: "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:50 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

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11710. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 12:24:18 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11710

Maybe,

if you go to the radio shop and get 12 /24 oz cans of vacuum, and inject them in the vfo ?
of course it would have to be HF certified.

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To: dx-qso@yahoogroups.com ; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11711. Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 12:25:41 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11685 Message: 11711

A friend related this to me not too long ago.

He was on SSB one afternoon and a "new" guy came along (no one recognized who he was). He asked if it was a private net or could anyone join in. They welcomed him and he joined the round-table.

About half an hour the group started breaking up. The new guy wanted to know if it was all right to ask a question. No one objected and the new guy said "Why are all you guys off frequency?" There was a moment's pause and someone else asked "What do you mean - we're all off frequency?" The new guy responded "Everybody's on 14332.43 instead of 14332!"

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "HK3CW" <hk3cw@...> wrote:
>
> That reminds me of a local ham which I called on 2 mts once to advise him of a DX on the air. He replied that that station was not on frequecy because he wasn't posted on the cluster! I said..ok seems I just made a qso with a DX that isn't valid because he wasn't on the cluster... 73....bye....
> I later confirmed the qso with HV0A on 10 mts. Funny he was never on the cluster...
>
> 73 de HK3CW Rob
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: John Geiger
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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> Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots, so I assume it was a busted call.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
> To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM
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> During CQWW I worked a 3E1RR. Can't find him in any of the data bases, but know that call

is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it just one of those club stations which sometimes don't appear?
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> TIA
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> Dale K8TS
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11712. Re: Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 12:27:02 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11660 Message: 11712

Any of those will suffice. But be sure to avoid it if it says "marine." Those are much more expensive.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Bob <robertlarson@...> wrote:
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> I'm so confused... "Phillips" is so generic for crosshead screws. What
> should I be looking for in metric crosshead screws?
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> Phillips, JIS, French Recess, Reed & Prince or Frearson, or maybe even
> Pozidrive?
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> 73,
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> K2TK
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> > Joey
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > *From:* Zack Widup <mailto:w9sz.zack@...>
> > *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> > *Sent:* Wednesday, November 04, 2009 7:37 AM
> > *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Fw: [CQ-Contest] Someone leaked the secret
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> > Does any other store sell metric screwdrivers? I don't have any of
> > those but I guess I should go out and get a set!
> > ;-)
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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> > On Wed, Nov 4, 2009 at 3:24 AM, Bob <vk2sob@...
> > <mailto:vk2sob@...>> wrote:

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> > I have to say, I was disappointed at first when the UPS man
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> > website should tell you that you need a special tool or it
> > should be included for a nominal fee.)
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> > We do not, so far as I am aware, have Sears in Australia.
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> > Bob
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11713. Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 12:28:01 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11660 Message: 11713

I am impressed,..... you ALL are some much better prepared to work DX than I am.....

:-)

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 11:46 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

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Dale,
I suspect I got the grease at the three stooges, Many, Moe & Jack's store whilst still living in L.A. I remember bringing up blinker fluid, muffler bearing grease, antenna grease which is high frequency (10m) as opposed to low frequency grease (80m). When the grease is applied it must comply with MIL-TFD-1111. I also brought up an A/C battery for deicing the antenna.
Cheers from NorCal
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 9:15 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

Rene;

As propagation is only a relative thing, being that the antenna efficently, ground waves, phyicial location, and number of cards hanging on the wall, your antenna grease might work well in another set of given valiables. Where did you get the stuff?

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: dx-qso@yahoogroups.com, DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 4, 2009 10:25:18 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

While we're on this subject, someone emailed me asking if I had a Whitworth crescent wrench but I don't have one.

Now, as propagation isn't great and my radio wasn't working very well, I put some frequency grease on the antenna to help the signal slide through but it didn't help.

Any suggestions?
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>; "DX" <dx-qso@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 4:42 PM
Subject: [dx-qso] Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret

> Bob, go get some vodka and put a shot of it in some milk of magnesia and
> then you'll have a Phillips Screwdriver;-)
> Rene
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Bob" <robertlarson@att.net>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 9:47 AM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Someone leaked the secret
>
>
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11714. Re: New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 12:30:11 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11673 Message: 11714

I think the K3 comes the closest to simulating those mech filters you used to find in the Collins' rigs. I have a couple of "standard" filters for SSB and a pair for CW - one at 400 Hz and one at 250 Hz.

Don't remember the last time I experienced overloads from robust signals. My Pro III works quite well for chasing DX, but the K3 works better in a contest. In really weak-signal dxing it's fun too. I have squeezed the CW BW down to well under 100 Hz without ringing.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Win" <winlyn@...> wrote:
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> If it had mech filters, at least for CW, I would consider looking at it.
> But you know that isn't going to happen. Guess I will be using my 1k MPV
> until death do us part.
>
> Win, W0LZ
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:09 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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> Yaesu bashers ?
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> are you saying there are some HAMS, that are displeased with Yaesu ?
> HEAVEN forbid !
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> :-)
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: RICHARD SOLOMON
> To: DX List - New
> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
>
>
> Rumors are about concerning a new YAESU rig, the FTDX5000MP.
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> That should give the Yaesu-Bashers some new fodder.
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> As for me, I can't wait to see some data on it.

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> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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11715. Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 12:35:54 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11665 Message: 11715

Yeah, I don't work 160 either. They did the same thing again this morning. Their signal wasn't quite as good on 40 this morning as it was on 40 yesterday morning.

According to their web site and what I've read via The Daily DX, they plan to be there for a minimum of three weeks. Maybe after a week or so, the clamor on the freq will die down a little and they'll be able to work a little tighter spread on their split. Thus far they've been running splits up to 10 kHz wide.

I heard them briefly late yesterday afternoon on 20 CW, but he didn't stay very long. If they're focusing on the low bands, they may be taking their rest during the middle of the day. As there's only two of them, it's difficult to expect miracles! Frankly, I can't imagine spending three weeks in a tent on an island the size of a picnic ground!

I need 'em for a new one as well.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@...m, "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Art,
>
> I was disappointed when they suddenly went from 40m to 160m too (as I
> don't have an antenna on 160m currently). But they have to do what they
> have to do.
>
> I did manage to get them on 30m for a new one this morning! And will
> wait patiently for their return to 40m. I see they are there now but 1)
> I am at work still and 2) it's too early for VK6, anyway...
>
> They will be there for a while longer yet, you will get them.
>
> Good luck guys,
>
> 73, Lance - VK6DU
>
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> aburkefl
> Sent: Wednesday, 4 November 2009 8:19 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A
>
> (A) Their intent on this trip (there are only two guys) is to focus on
> the low bands.
> (B) At the time they went QSY to 160 (I was listening to them as well)

> their location was smack on the gray line - a perfect time to go to 160.
>
> I agree with you for the most part. I was listening to them on 40 -
> excellent signal down here in central Florida - and he was working
> people from all over - Japan, South Korea, Australia, U.S.
>
> When he suddenly stopped and then announced his QSY to 160 I was also
> disappointed, but it was unfortunately understandable.
>
> He did have them spread somewhat wide - he was working 1 to 10 up!
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "wc5m" <wc5m@> wrote:
> >
> > What are the TX3A ops thinking? At 0800Z this morning they were on
> 40CW loud and working one about every 10 or 15 seconds. Then at 0900Z
> they decide to switch to 160M where they are barely audible on my 100ft
> tall Inverted-L and working contacts at the rate of about 1 every two
> minutes? Seems to me if you wanted to give as many people as possible a
> new one you would stick with a pileup that was very productive. Oh
> well, off my soap box now.
> >
> > 73,
> > Mark WC5M
> >
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11716. Re: [DX-IS] Re: New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 13:04:59 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11673 Message: 11716

I am probably one of those old guys that is set in his ways, Art. I do have a hearing problem, though. And with a noise canceling headset and a pair of Inrad 250 Hz filters I seem to do my best work. Wish I new someone around here that had a K3 that I could play with.

Hearing the XV4D team this morning on 80, but all EUs at the moment. Have great hopes of working the TX3A guys on 30 while they are there. Guess I should start listening for them, HI.

Win, W0LZ

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From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 6:30 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: New Yaesu Rig

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11717. Re: [DX-IS] Re: New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 13:09:27 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11673 Message: 11717

Gosh,

I read all you write about all those expensive radios, and just Dream,..... (Sigh)..... guess I'll have to stick to my Poor mans radios. its tuff, having to operate these DRAKES, knowing there are such FINE radios out there .

:-)
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 6:30 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: New Yaesu Rig

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11718. Re: [DX-IS] Re: New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 13:50:04 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11673 Message: 11718

Correction!!!! I was hearing TX3A on 80 this AM. My mind is
going,,,going,,,, gone.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Win" <winlyn@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 7:04 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: New Yaesu Rig

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> From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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11719. Noise cancelling headphones

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 13:53:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11673 Message: 11719

At 09:04 AM 11/5/2009, Win W0LZ wrote, in part:
>And with a noise canceling headset and a pair of Inrad 250 Hz
>filters I seem to do my best work.

<snip>

>Win, W0LZ

These things can be a bit pricey (noise cancelling headphones), but in my opinion they are worth it. I don't have any hearing problems that I am aware of, but they sure do what they are supposed to, It's like magic when you flip the switch and 80% or more of the ambient noise in the room is gone. I got a pair about a year ago, and I couldn't live without them now. All the fan noise from amps, etc. is gone.

If you travel, they get rid of about 80% of the "jet noise" on planes. Once I had the "pleasure" of quadraphonic babies crying on a flight, and it cancelled almost all of that out too.

The downside is they require batteries that last about 2-3 days. Most run on a single AAA, so I got a pair of rechargeable and I cycle them as they run down. They sure are a great addition to the Ham shack. If you don't already have a set, and the XYL is looking for something to get you for Xmas, this is something to consider.

73, Paul VE1DX

11720. Re: New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 14:07:23 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11673 Message: 11720

Years ago I had a Drake B-line - nice stuff. It was referred to in those days as "the poor man's Collins." My first decent SWL receiver was a Drake SW-4A, followed by an SPR-4. Neither of those were suitable for CW, so I gravitated to something else. Despite all today's radios being digital readout, the old-style dial accuracy of both Drake and Collins was pretty darned good.

Art - N4PJ

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11721. New Yaesu Rig

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 14:12:07 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11673 Message: 11721

I own a complete C line.

they usually reside on 17 meters, I hate to keep retuning them.
I also have a couple of boxes of spare parts. :-)

I mainly chase DX on a FT-920 and its been a REALLY good radio,..
NOT perfect,..... but a good radio. I got hurt really bad in april of 2007 on a tower that fell down,..... so I have LOTS of time to play on the radio, now.
Joey
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> Gosh,
>
> I read all you write about all those expensive radios, and just Dream,..... (Sigh).... guess I'll have to stick to my Poor mans radios. its tuff, having to operate these DRAKES, knowing there are such FINE radios out there .
>
> :-)
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: aburkefl
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 6:30 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: New Yaesu Rig
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>
> I think the K3 comes the closest to simulating those mech filters you used to find in the Collins' rigs. I have a couple of "standard" filters for SSB and a pair for CW - one at 400 Hz and one at 250 Hz.
>
> Don't remember the last time I experienced overloads from robust signals. My Pro III works quite well for chasing DX, but the K3 works better in a contest. In really

weak-signal dxing it's fun too. I have squeezed the CW BW down to well under 100 Hz without ringing.
>
> Art - N4PJ
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Win" <winlyn@> wrote:
> >
> > If it had mech filters, at least for CW, I would consider looking at it.
> > But you know that isn't going to happen. Guess I will be using my 1k MPV
> > until death do us part.
> >
> > Win, W0LZ
> >
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> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@>
> > To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:09 AM
> > Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
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> >
> > Yaesu bashers ?
> >
> > are you saying there are some HAMS, that are displeased with Yaesu ?
> > HEAVEN forbid !
> >
> > :-)
> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: RICHARD SOLOMON
> > To: DX List - New
> > Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:02 AM
> > Subject: [DX-IS] New Yaesu Rig
> >
> >
> > Rumors are about concerning a new YAESU rig, the FTDX5000MP.
> >
> > That should give the Yaesu-Bashers some new fodder.
> >
> > As for me, I can't wait to see some data on it.
> >
> >
> > 73, Dick, W1KSZ
> >
>

11722. ZY0T QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 15:36:06 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11722 Message: 11722

On the web site, the QSL route for the recent ZY0T trip (Trindade and Martim Vaz Is.), a PY is listed as the "only" route for QSL.

However, this morning, I saw a note on the cluster where someone claimed they received LotW confirmation. I double-checked mine, but no soap.

Does anyone know if that group is following somewhat of a trend and "rewarding" sponsors/donors?

Art - N4PJ

11723. Re: [DX-IS] ZY0T QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 15:40:45 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11722 Message: 11723

YES they do accept 5.00 for LOTW

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 9:36 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] ZY0T QSLs

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Art - N4PJ

11724. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 16:19:34 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11685 Message: 11724

Now that seems like a fair question to me - why?
rene whose radidio doesn't have a .nn readout...

----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:25 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

>A friend related this to me not too long ago.
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>> cluster...
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>> 73 de HK3CW Rob
>>
>> ----- Original Message -----
>> From: John Geiger
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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>> Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots,
>> so I assume it was a busted call.
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>> 73s John AA5JG
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>> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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>> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM
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11725. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 16:43:27 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11685 Message: 11725

The net control station is ALWAYS on frequency.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 11/5/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, November 5, 2009, 10:19 AM

Now that seems like a fair question to me - why?
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From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@comcast. net>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:25 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

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11726. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 16:45:32 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11685 Message: 11726

I remember reading on eham.net a couple of years ago that somehow many new hams believe that you just be on xxx.00 frequency, meaning rounded off to the KHZ frequency. Don't know where this stupid idea came from (but I can guess) but it does explain something- Occassionally I would get people calling me slightly off frequency when I was running a frequency on 6m. Now I know why-they had to round to the closest KHZ.

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11727. Strange Sunspot Observed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 18:37:19 UTC
From: AD5VJ Bob
Topic: 11727 Message: 11727

Looks like we may have a new sunspot being born for this cycle.

One thing wrong, however, this one looks like it might suck radio waves from earth instead of propagate them.

Time to get out your wave keepers from storage or you may loose it all.

http://www.solarcycle24.com/
"A new sunspot may be trying to form in the northern hemisphere of the sun. The magnetogram shows it has reverse magnetic polarity
compared to what a Cycle 24 normally would have."

Bob AD5VJ

11728. Re: [DX-IS] Strange Sunspot Observed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 18:44:20 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11727 Message: 11728

Wouldn't a reverse polarity spot be one left over from cycle 23?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 11/5/09, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...> wrote:

From: AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Strange Sunspot Observed
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, November 5, 2009, 12:37 PM

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11729. Re: [DX-IS] Strange Sunspot Observed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 19:02:33 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11727 Message: 11729

maybe this is a CBers ,.......... sunspot........

:-(
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 12:44 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Strange Sunspot Observed

Wouldn't a reverse polarity spot be one left over from cycle 23?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 11/5/09, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...>
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11730. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 21:31:26 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11685 Message: 11730

One thing I noticed over the years is how hams hear ya and come back sounding like Donald Duck. Then when you tune them in you're up a bit and then they come back even higher. Moral to that story was to get a Siltronics or Driftronics as we called them. For the newer set - don't concern yourself - we did. Boy, have we come a long way since. Even My FT101E drifted for a few minutes on startup.
28.500 - 28.500.8 Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 8:45 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

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11731. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11731

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 309 Issued at 2200Z on 05 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 04/2100Z
to 05/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1030 (N25E04) was
numbered today as a Cro beta sunspot group with 5 spots. No flares
were observed during the past 24-hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low, with a slight chance for a C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 04/2100Z to 05/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on days one and two (06-07 November). Quiet to
unsettled conditions are expected on day three (08 November) as a
weak recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream moves into a
geoeffective position.
III. Event Probabilities 06 Nov-08 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 05 Nov 071
Predicted 06 Nov-08 Nov 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 05 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 04 Nov 001/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 05 Nov 002/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 06 Nov-08 Nov 005/006-005/005-006/006
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 06 Nov-08 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11732. ARLD044 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 22:33:22 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6750 Message: 11732

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD044
ARLD044 DX news

ZCZC AE44
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 44 ARLD044
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT November 5, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD044
ARLD044 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, PS7YL, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SENEGAL, 6W. Stan, EI6DX will be QRV as 6W/home call from Somone from November 7 to 16. Activity will be on the low HF bands using CW. This includes being an entry in the upcoming Japan DX contest. QSL via RX3RC.

EAST MALAYSIA, 9M6. Steve, 9M6DXX and John, 9M6XRO are QRV as home calls/p from Pulau Labuan, IOTA OC-133, until November 9. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB, and 160 to 10 meters using CW and RTTY, respectively. QSL via bureau.

EASTER ISLAND, CE0. A group of operators are QRV as XR0Y from Rapa Nui until November 15. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via operators' instructions.

LIBERIA, EL. Chris, ZS6RI plans to be QRV as EL8RI for about one to two months. Activity will be mainly on 40, 30 and 20 meters running QRP power. QSL to home call.

FRANCE, F. Members of the Havre Radio Club are QRV using special event call TM1TJV until November 8 to celebrate the departure of some 30 trans-Atlantic sailing ships during the ''Transat Jacques Vabre 2009'' race between Le Havre, France and Costa-Rica's Caribbean coast. QSL via bureau.

CHESTERFIELD ISLAND, FK. Tomi, HA7RY and George, AA7JV are QRV as TX3A until December 6. Activity is on all HF bands with an emphasis on the low bands. QSL via HA7RY.

ISLE OF MAN, GD. Operators Ron, PA3EWP and Tom, GM4FDM will be QRV as MD/PA3EWP and GD4FDM, respectively, from November 7 to 9. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL MD/PA3EWP via PA7FM and GD4FDM via GM4FDM.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0. Operators Kazik, DL2SBY, Tomi, HA4DX and Laci, HA0HW are QRV as HB0/home calls from Masessa until November 13. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW with some SSB. QSL to home calls.

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS, HC8. Mike, DF8AN is QRV as HC8/home call until November 7. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL direct to home call.

THAILAND, HS. Thailand's National Telecommunications Commission has approved a request by the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand to expand 40 meters. Effective November 6, E2 and HS stations will have primary use of 7.0 to 7.2 MHz.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. Eric, KV1J and Tom, W8TOM will be QRV as FP/home calls from Miquelon, IOTA NA-032, from November 7 to 15. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home calls.

US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. David, N3XF, Ed, K1ZE and Rob, W1EQ are QRV as KP2/home calls until November 11. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes being active as KP2M in the ARRL CW Sweepstakes. QSL KP2M direct and all others to home calls.

DENMARK, OZ. A group of operators are QRV as 5P3WW from Moen Island, IOTA EU-171, until November 9. QSL via DL1YAW.

BONAIRE, CURACAO, PJ2. After his Galapagos operation, Mike, DF8AN will be QRV as PJ4/home call from Bonaire, IOTA SA-006, from November 7 to 16. Activity will be on all bands using mostly CW. QSL direct to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Special event callsign PW2SIDC is QRV until November 22 from several Brazilian states, including Fernando de Noronha, to mark an international conference for civil defense to be held in Sao Paulo. QSL via PS7YL.

WEST KIRIBATI, T30. David, N1EMC and Mike, N1IW will be QRV as T30KI and T30IW, respectively, from Abatao Islet, IOTA OC-017, on the Tarawa atoll from November 10 to 16. Activity will be on 60 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL both calls via N1EMC.

UKRAINE, UR. Operators Alex, UR7IRK, Vladimir, US5ID, Valery, UU1JN, Anatol, UU5JA, Elena, UV5ESZ and Roman, UY7IQ are QRV as home calls/p from Crimea on Karaby Mountain until November 9. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters. This includes being active as UU5JZA in the Ukrainian DX contest. QSL UU5JZA via UY7IQ and all others to home calls.

SERBIA, YT. Operators HA7JJS, HA6NL, HA7PL and HA6PS are QRV as YU9JJS, YU9NL, YU9PL and YU9PS, respectively, until November 8. They will also be active as YT36QRP for the annual HA QRP 80-Meter contest. QSL YT36QRP via YU7CM and all others to home calls.

VENEZUELA, YV. Members of the Caracas DX Group are QRV as YW5F from Farallon Centinela Island, IOTA SA-058, until November 9 as part of their 20th anniversary. Activity is on 80 to 2 meters using CW, SSB, FM and various digital modes. QSL via W4SO.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Chagos Island, VQ9JC, current operation. This operation was previously rejected as a shipboard operation. DXCC exchanged correspondence with the operator and determined that this operation was actually land-based thereby satisfying the conditions of DXCC Rule 8; Timor-Leste, 4W6AL, 2009 operation; Afghanistan, T6AG, current operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL CW Sweepstakes Contest, ARRL EME Contest, NCCC Sprint, IPARC Contest, Ukrainian DX Contest, NA Collegiate ARC CW Championship, HA QRP 80-Meter CW Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint and the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. Please see November QST, page 86, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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11733. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-05 23:30:05 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11685 Message: 11733

At 04:25 AM 11/5/2009, aburkefl wrote:
>About half an hour the group started breaking up. The new guy wanted
>to know if it was all right to ask a question. No one objected and the
>new guy said "Why are all you guys off frequency?" There was a
>moment's pause and someone else asked "What do you mean - we're all
>off frequency?" The new guy responded "Everybody's on 14332.43 instead
>of 14332!"

He's not going to find the answer to that question in any book. I
just hope you made him feel welcome and treated it as an honest
question from a new ham.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11734. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 02:29:27 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11665 Message: 11734

Hi
If they continue to devote an hour or so to 30m daily, I think that is
the best propagation.
They were on 10112.5 from approx 2005z to 2110z.
Here in GA, they peaked very strong (real 579) from 2015 to about 2035.
I only called for about 5 mins on 10116 before I got lucky at 2026z.
They are as good as any dx operator I've ever heard.
Good luck everyone!
73
frank w0ecs

aburkefl wrote:
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> morning. Their signal wasn't quite as good on 40 this morning as it
> was on 40 yesterday morning.
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> According to their web site and what I've read via The Daily DX, they
> plan to be there for a minimum of three weeks. Maybe after a week or
> so, the clamor on the freq will die down a little and they'll be able
> to work a little tighter spread on their split. Thus far they've been
> running splits up to 10 kHz wide.
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> I heard them briefly late yesterday afternoon on 20 CW, but he didn't
> stay very long. If they're focusing on the low bands, they may be
> taking their rest during the middle of the day. As there's only two of
> them, it's difficult to expect miracles! Frankly, I can't imagine
> spending three weeks in a tent on an island the size of a picnic ground!
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> I need 'em for a new one as well.
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, "Lance
> Martin" <lance.martin@...> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Art,
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> > I was disappointed when they suddenly went from 40m to 160m too (as I
> > don't have an antenna on 160m currently). But they have to do what they
> > have to do.
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> > I did manage to get them on 30m for a new one this morning! And will
> > wait patiently for their return to 40m. I see they are there now but 1)
> > I am at work still and 2) it's too early for VK6, anyway...

> >
> > They will be there for a while longer yet, you will get them.
> >
> > Good luck guys,
> >
> > 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On
> Behalf Of
> > aburkefl
> > Sent: Wednesday, 4 November 2009 8:19 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A
> >
> > (A) Their intent on this trip (there are only two guys) is to focus on
> > the low bands.
> > (B) At the time they went QSY to 160 (I was listening to them as well)
> > their location was smack on the gray line - a perfect time to go to 160.
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> > I agree with you for the most part. I was listening to them on 40 -
> > excellent signal down here in central Florida - and he was working
> > people from all over - Japan, South Korea, Australia, U.S.
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> > When he suddenly stopped and then announced his QSY to 160 I was also
> > disappointed, but it was unfortunately understandable.
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> > He did have them spread somewhat wide - he was working 1 to 10 up!
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> > Art - N4PJ
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> > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>,
> "wc5m" <wc5m@> wrote:
> > >
> > > What are the TX3A ops thinking? At 0800Z this morning they were on
> > 40CW loud and working one about every 10 or 15 seconds. Then at 0900Z
> > they decide to switch to 160M where they are barely audible on my 100ft
> > tall Inverted-L and working contacts at the rate of about 1 every two
> > minutes? Seems to me if you wanted to give as many people as possible a
> > new one you would stick with a pileup that was very productive. Oh
> > well, off my soap box now.
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> > > 73,
> > > Mark WC5M
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11735. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 12:24:04 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11685 Message: 11735

My early Multi Elmac, AH-4 I believe, would drift from 28.800 to 28.950 in a 2 minute QSO. It was 'normal'.

If one wanted stability, one used an XTAL. :-) 28.000.000 CPS [before a rental car company got into the act]

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:31 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

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One thing I noticed over the years is how hams hear ya and come back sounding like Donald Duck. Then when you tune them in you're up a bit and then they come back even higher. Moral to that story was to get a Siltronics or Driftronics as we called them. For the newer set - don't concern yourself - we did. Boy, have we come a long way since. Even My FT101E drifted for a few minutes on startup.
28.500 - 28.500.8 Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 8:45 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

I remember reading on eham.net a couple of years ago that somehow many new hams believe that you just be on xxx.00 frequency, meaning rounded off to the KHZ frequency. Don't know where this stupid idea came from (but I can guess) but it does explain something- Occassionally I would get people calling me slightly off frequency when I was running a frequency on 6m. Now I know why-they had to round to the closest KHZ.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 11/5/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, November 5, 2009, 10:19 AM

Now that seems like a fair question to me - why?
rene whose radidio doesn't have a .nn readout...

----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@comcast. net>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>

Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:25 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

>A friend related this to me not too long ago.
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> He was on SSB one afternoon and a "new" guy came along (no one recognized
> who he was). He asked if it was a private net or could anyone join in.
> They welcomed him and he joined the round-table.
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> About half an hour the group started breaking up. The new guy wanted to
> know if it was all right to ask a question. No one objected and the new
> guy said "Why are all you guys off frequency?" There was a moment's pause
> and someone else asked "What do you mean - we're all off frequency?" The
> new guy responded "Everybody's on 14332.43 instead of 14332!"
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, "HK3CW" <hk3cw@...> wrote:
>>
>> That reminds me of a local ham which I called on 2 mts once to advise him
>> of a DX on the air. He replied that that station was not on frequecy
>> because he wasn't posted on the cluster! I said..ok seems I just made a
>> qso with a DX that isn't valid because he wasn't on the cluster...
>> 73....bye... .
>> I later confirmed the qso with HV0A on 10 mts. Funny he was never on the
>> cluster...
>>
>> 73 de HK3CW Rob
>>
>> ----- Original Message -----
>> From: John Geiger
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
>> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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>>
>> Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots,
>> so I assume it was a busted call.
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>> 73s John AA5JG
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>> --- On Wed, 11/4/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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>> From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
>> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
>> To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
>> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM
>>
>>

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>> During CQWW I worked a 3E1RR. Can't find him in any of the
>> data bases, but know that call is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it
>> just one of those club stations which sometimes don't appear?
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>> TIA
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>> Dale K8TS
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.49/2480 - Release Date: 11/04/09
07:37:00

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Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.51/2482 - Release Date: 11/05/09 07:37:00

11736. Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 12:29:08 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11685 Message: 11736

Well, the story was related to me by someone else - I wasn't there.
However...

I try politely to do just what you advise. However (yet again!)...

Over the last few days P29NI was working 40M SSB. He was apparently transmitting way down in the band and listening around 7180 - 7181 for NA contacts. W1IT got in a real snit and a real broohaha took place - at least two days in a row. I listened parts of both days. In this particular case, I sympathize with both sides of the issue. It's one of those situations where we need to learn better "how to just get along." I went to QRZ.COM to see if I could obtain the e-mail address of W1IT and wrote him a note. It bounced. Another sign of the times.

QRZ.COM doesn't require you to have an e-mail at all. If you really don't want e-mail, the answer is simple - DON'T PROVIDE ONE AT ALL!

Personally, I've made my e-mail pretty much available to anyone. I would rather delete the junk and throw away dozens of e-mails each day, rather than suffer the possibility I might really miss something important or interesting.

In the meantime, I guess W1IT temporarily gave up. Besides, P29NI won't be there forever.

Art - N4PJ

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> question from a new ham.
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> Dick Flanagan K7VC
> dick@...
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11737. Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 12:33:25 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11665 Message: 11737

I think these are the same two guys who were on Mellish Reef back in April. They both appear to be very good CW ops. I can't remember if they ever did any SSB or not.

I *think* I got 'em on 20 CW yesterday - signal was up and down and the pile was really spread out again. Their latest log update came a couple hours short of the time for my possible QSO.

Art - N4PJ

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11738. ARLP045 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 13:48:49 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6969 Message: 11738

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP045
ARLP045 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP45
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 45 ARLP045
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 6, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP045
ARLP045 Propagation de K7RA

Thanks so much to Steve Nichols, G0KYA for writing the Propagation Forecast Bulletin last week. See his blog at, http://g0kya.blogspot.com/.

In addition to the sunspot group 1029, which graced us from October 23-30, a new one (1030) just emerged on Thursday. It is currently in a maximally geo-effective position (in other words, in the center longitudinal meridian as viewed from earth), and may provide some enhancement for the ARRL CW Sweepstakes Contest this weekend. On Thursday the daily sunspot number was 15. Of course, this is a new Cycle 24 spot.

Geomagnetic indices continue to stay very quiet. Checking numbers at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt you can see that the planetary K index and the college K index were a solid 0 for all of November 3-4 and most of November 5. One strange (to me) set of numbers is on November 5, when the K index in all three zones was exactly the same. It was 0 all day, then for one three hour period it was 1, then back to 0 for all three, planetary, college and mid-latitude. The A index is calculated using the K index data, and the A index for that day was 0 at mid-latitude and high latitude, but was 1 for planetary numbers. Why was that?

Expect geomagnetic conditions to remain quiet and stable. NOAA and the US Air Force predict planetary A index at 5 for today, November 6, and 7 for November 7, then back to 5 for November 8-19.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet to unsettled conditions November 6-7, and quiet conditions November 8-12.

October had some good numbers, with an average daily sunspot number of 7.0. That is the highest level since March 2008. Our three-month moving average showed 4.64 for August through October, centered on September. This was up from 4 centered on both July and

August. Three month averages centered on January through September 2009 were 2.19, 2.02, 1.49, 2.01, 4.22, 5.2, 4, 4 and 4.64.

Tom Morton, CX7TT in La Paloma, Rocha, Uruguay sent a message on October 30 concerning the CQ World Wide SSB DX Contest, and his operation on 10 meters. He wrote, "Around 1:00 PM local Saturday, 10 meters opened with a bang and propagation was awesome to EU then later the US. I expected 10 to shut down on Sunday so spent a lot of time Saturday milking the band. Even though I did foray down to 15 meters on both days, I wound up with 1000 QSOs, 93 countries and 22 zones. What a blast!"

Jim Brown, W5ZIT of Farmersville, Texas had a question about propagation that surprised him on 17 meters. Jim wrote, "I thought I would drop you a note concerning an unusual QSO I had on 10/30/09. At 2350 UTC I worked AE5PW in Newport Arkansas on 17 meters using the Olivia mode. Signals were 20 over 9 for a few minutes and then faded down to S5 before we signed. I am located near Farmersville, TX, about 30 miles NE Dallas. This distance was something like 250 miles or less, and I thought this very unusual at the time. I was wondering what type propagation would support this short skip on 17 meters. It would seem to be too short even for sporadic-E. I was using a 550 ft loop up 30 ft at the time."

I took the addresses for W5ZIT and AE5PW from FCC records, and calculated the distance at 297 miles. But note that for an antenna, Jim is using a 550 foot wire strung in a loop, 30 feet above the ground. Perhaps there is some high angle radiation going on, and the change in signal strength was due to some drifting patch of ionosphere above the two stations. This was on the last day of an 8 day run of sunspots.

Jim said he is using Olivia, which is a robust digital mode for HF. See http://www.oliviamode.com and http://hflink.com/olivia for more info.

I thought perhaps the 550 foot figure was a typo, but I checked out Jim's QTH at http://tinyurl.com/yk8d95s (clicked on "Bird's eye," then zoomed in) and saw there is plenty of room to stretch out.

Clay Melrose, WA6LBU of Wellston, Oklahoma and Chuck Kershner, W1EMQ of Clinton, New York were both pleased by long distance contacts on 40 meters on November 1.

W1EMQ worked UU1CC in Crimea on CW at 0050z with good signals using an old 4BTV vertical in wet soil and a Drake TR4. WA6LBU worked ZS3D running 25 watts SSB with a MP-25 manpack military radio into a G5RV at 0600z. ZS3D was using a 40 meter hex beam.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for October 29 through November 4 were 19, 13, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 4.6. 10.7 cm flux was 76.7, 75.2, 75.1, 72.3, 71.4, 71.5, and 71.4 with a mean of 73.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 11, 1, 2, 2, 0 and 0 with a mean of 3.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 5, 8, 1, 2, 2, 1 and 1 with a mean of 2.9.
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11739. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 14:43:49 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11665 Message: 11739

1430z must be a bad time to try their web site - constant timeouts.
frank w0ecs

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> > aburkefl wrote:
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> > > Yeah, I don't work 160 either. They did the same thing again this
> > > morning. Their signal wasn't quite as good on 40 this morning as it
> > > was on 40 yesterday morning.
> > >
> > > According to their web site and what I've read via The Daily DX, they
> > > plan to be there for a minimum of three weeks. Maybe after a week or
> > > so, the clamor on the freq will die down a little and they'll be able
> > > to work a little tighter spread on their split. Thus far they've been
> > > running splits up to 10 kHz wide.
> > >
> > > I heard them briefly late yesterday afternoon on 20 CW, but he didn't
> > > stay very long. If they're focusing on the low bands, they may be
> > > taking their rest during the middle of the day. As there's only

> two of
> > > them, it's difficult to expect miracles! Frankly, I can't imagine
> > > spending three weeks in a tent on an island the size of a picnic
> ground!
> > >
> > > I need 'em for a new one as well.
> > >
> > > Art - N4PJ
> > >
> > > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, "Lance
> > > Martin" <lance.martin@> wrote:
> > > >
> > > > Hi Art,
> > > >
> > > > I was disappointed when they suddenly went from 40m to 160m too
> (as I
> > > > don't have an antenna on 160m currently). But they have to do
> what they
> > > > have to do.
> > > >
> > > > I did manage to get them on 30m for a new one this morning! And will
> > > > wait patiently for their return to 40m. I see they are there now
> but 1)
> > > > I am at work still and 2) it's too early for VK6, anyway...
> > > >
> > > > They will be there for a while longer yet, you will get them.
> > > >
> > > > Good luck guys,
> > > >
> > > > 73, Lance - VK6DU
> > > >
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> > > > -----Original Message-----
> > > > From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> > > > [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On
> > > > Behalf Of
> > > > aburkefl
> > > > Sent: Wednesday, 4 November 2009 8:19 PM
> > > > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> > > > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A
> > > >
> > > > (A) Their intent on this trip (there are only two guys) is to
> focus on
> > > > the low bands.
> > > > (B) At the time they went QSY to 160 (I was listening to them as
> well)

> > > > their location was smack on the gray line - a perfect time to go
> to 160.
> > > > >
> > > > > I agree with you for the most part. I was listening to them on 40 -
> > > > > excellent signal down here in central Florida - and he was working
> > > > > people from all over - Japan, South Korea, Australia, U.S.
> > > > >
> > > > > When he suddenly stopped and then announced his QSY to 160 I was
> also
> > > > > disappointed, but it was unfortunately understandable.
> > > > >
> > > > > He did have them spread somewhat wide - he was working 1 to 10 up!
> > > > >
> > > > > Art - N4PJ
> > > > >
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> > > > > --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>,
> > > "wc5m" <wc5m@> wrote:
> > > > > >
> > > > > > What are the TX3A ops thinking? At 0800Z this morning they were on
> > > > > 40CW loud and working one about every 10 or 15 seconds. Then at
> 0900Z
> > > > > they decide to switch to 160M where they are barely audible on
> my 100ft
> > > > > tall Inverted-L and working contacts at the rate of about 1
> every two
> > > > > minutes? Seems to me if you wanted to give as many people as
> possible a
> > > > > new one you would stick with a pileup that was very productive. Oh
> > > > > well, off my soap box now.
> > > > > >
> > > > > > 73,
> > > > > > Mark WC5M
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11740. Re: [DX-IS] Strange Sunspot Observed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 15:02:26 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 11727 Message: 11740

On Thu, Nov 5, 2009 at 2:37 PM, AD5VJ Bob <rtnmi@...> wrote:

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>
> Looks like we may have a new sunspot being born for this cycle.
>
> One thing wrong, however, this one looks like it might suck radio waves
> from earth instead of propagate them.
>
> Time to get out your wave keepers from storage or you may loose it all.
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> http://www.solarcycle24.com/
> "A new sunspot may be trying to form in the northern hemisphere of the sun.
> The magnetogram shows it has reverse magnetic polarity
> compared to what a Cycle 24 normally would have."
>
> Bob AD5VJ
>
>
>

Looks like cycle 25 is about to start!!!!!

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

11741. Re: [DX-IS] Strange Sunspot Observed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 15:28:03 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11727 Message: 11741

25 !

I hope it last LONGER than 24 did !

:-)
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11742. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 15:37:28 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11665 Message: 11742

I'm in the log! - That's almost as satisfying as working them!
They updated their logs at 2105 UTC 05 November 2009
That's a half hour after I worked them - they must have done it right
after they quit 30M.
73 frank w0ecs

Frank T Brady wrote:
> 1430z must be a bad time to try their web site - constant timeouts.
> frank w0ecs

11743. Re: TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 16:19:20 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 11665 Message: 11743

Yes, my 160M QSO has shown up now too. Paul worked them on 160 the first morning and was in the first upload. All-time new one for him but I've confirmed two previous operations, both on 10M. We're both happy campers.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in sunny far SW Wisconsin USA

11744. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 16:29:50 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11685 Message: 11744

DD - you'll have to clarify XTAL. My FT101E has four xtals for 10m and one each for the other bands plus a xtal for 10 mhz WWV. It drifts on warmup. I used to have a xtal for 28.507 which was a popular fixed freq. for VK novices in the days they could only use fixed xtals. I'm sure that xtal would drift a bit too but don't remember.
73 de Rene
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----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 4:24 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

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If one wanted stability, one used an XTAL. :-) 28.000.000 CPS [before a rental car company got into the act]

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:31 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

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28.500 - 28.500.8 Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 8:45 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

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73s John AA5JG

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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, November 5, 2009, 10:19 AM

Now that seems like a fair question to me - why?
rene whose radidio doesn't have a .nn readout...

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From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@comcast. net>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:25 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

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> He was on SSB one afternoon and a "new" guy came along (no one recognized
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>>
>> 73 de HK3CW Rob
>>
>> ----- Original Message -----
>> From: John Geiger
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
>> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
>>
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>> From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
>> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
>> To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
>> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM
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>> data bases, but know that call is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it
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07:37:00

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Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.51/2482 - Release Date: 11/05/09 07:37:00

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11745. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 16:43:16 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 11685 Message: 11745

On Fri, Nov 6, 2009 at 12:29 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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Ummmmmm..... HERTZ ;^) Get it??? LOL

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

11746. Re: [DX-IS] Strange Sunspot Observed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 16:48:24 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11727 Message: 11746

I guess Paul was right. Cycle 24 only lasted a few days.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Nov 6, 2009 at 9:28 AM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <
joeyw5tfw@gmail.com> wrote:

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> 25 !
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11747. Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 17:05:54 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11747 Message: 11747

OK,

I have a Halli SX 111 & HT 37 and when I put it on the air you should just sit back & Hear the comments I get..... I always get a laugh out of that. One ham broke into tell me I was drifting OFF freq and the guy I was talking to shot back at him ! God, I hope so !
its funny to listen to people who have never even heard of thoe radios making comments.

Joey
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> know if it was all right to ask a question. No one objected and the new
> guy said "Why are all you guys off frequency?" There was a moment's pause
> and someone else asked "What do you mean - we're all off frequency?" The
> new guy responded "Everybody's on 14332.43 instead of 14332!"
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, "HK3CW" <hk3cw@...> wrote:
>>
>> That reminds me of a local ham which I called on 2 mts once to advise him
>> of a DX on the air. He replied that that station was not on frequecy
>> because he wasn't posted on the cluster! I said..ok seems I just made a
>> qso with a DX that isn't valid because he wasn't on the cluster...

>> 73....bye... .
>> I later confirmed the qso with HV0A on 10 mts. Funny he was never on the
>> cluster...
>>
>> 73 de HK3CW Rob
>>
>> ----- Original Message -----
>> From: John Geiger
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
>> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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>>
>> Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots,
>> so I assume it was a busted call.
>>
>> 73s John AA5JG
>>
>> --- On Wed, 11/4/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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>> From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
>> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
>> To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
>> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM
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>> During CQWW I worked a 3E1RR. Can't find him in any of the
>> data bases, but know that call is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it
>> just one of those club stations which sometimes don't appear?
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>> TIA
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>> Dale K8TS
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com

Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.49/2480 - Release Date: 11/04/09
07:37:00

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Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.51/2482 - Release Date: 11/05/09 07:37:00

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Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.51/2482 - Release Date: 11/05/09 07:37:00

Ummmmmm..... HERTZ ;^) Get it??? LOL

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

11748. [425ENG] 425 DX News #966

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 17:17:13 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11748 Message: 11748

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9L - The VooDoo Contest Group (this year's operators are Ned/AA7A, Nick/G3RWF, Fred/G4BWP, Bud/N7CW and Gary/ZL2IFB) will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as 9L5A (Multi-Two or Multi-Multi) from Sierra Leone, on all six contest bands. There may be some activity on 30, 17 and 12 metres before and/or after the contest. The main callsign is 9L5A (QSL via G3SXW), G3RWF may activate his 9L1NH call (QSl via home call) and AA7A his 9L7NS call (QSL via home call). There will be no daily logs, but LoTW upload will be soon after returning home. [TNX G3SXW]
D2 - Paulo, CT1ITZ is active as D2PJB from Porto Ambo, Angola until 29 November. He operates SSB only on 80-10 metres and "be aware he likes to ragchew". QSL via CT1IUA. [TNX The Daily DX]
E51 - Henrik, OZ6TL is active as E51TLA from Raratonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands until around 25 November. He operates holiday style using mainly RTTY. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
ER - Moldova became an indipendent principality in 1359. Celebrating the 650th anniversary of that event, ER650M (QSL via ER1DA) and ER650MD (QSL via ER4DX) are currently active until 30 November. [TNX ER1DA]
FK/C - George and Tomi dropped anchor in the lagoon of Chesterfield in the local morning of 2 November and became QRV at 11.17 UTC on the 3rd. As a reminder, while TX3A will not disregard the higher bands, this expedition is heavily focussed on the low bands. On 160 metres look for them on 1830.5 kHz, listening below 1825 for Japan and above 1825 kHz for the rest of the world. QSL via HA7RY. Updates and log search (currently 2922 QSOs until 21.05 UTC on 5 November) can be found at http://tx3a.com/
I - Look for IC8ATA, IC8/IK7JWX, IC8/IW8EHK, IC8/I8LWL and IC8/IK8GQY to be active from Procida Island (EU-031, IIA NA-002) on 6-8 November. They will operate SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on the HF bands and possibly 6 metres. Side trips to the islands of Ischia and Vivara are being considered. [TNX IK7JWX]
I - Fabio, IK0IXI and other INORC members will operate as II0TRM on

16-22 November to commemorate the 70th anniversary of Theodore R. McElroy's (W1JYN) code receiving record (75.2 wpm: corrected to today's standard, that would be 72.2 wpm). QSL via IK0IXI, direct or bureau. [TNX I0LYO]
KC4 - Bill, K7MT will be returning to McMurdo Station (KC4USV)on Ross Island (AN-011), Antarctica between 15 November and 20 February 2010. He expects to be QRV for Europe at 18 UTC on Saturdays; he also plans to be on 14243 kHz on Sundays at 00.00 GMT, and to operate PSK-31 (14070 kHz) and CW (14043 kHz) as well, if time permits. QSL via K1IED. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
OX - Paco/EA4BT, Ramon/EA4NA, Emilio/EA7AAW and Salvador/EA7SB will be active as OX/homecall from Narsarsuaq, Greenland (NA-018) on 12-19 November. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via EA4BT, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dx4dx@...) and LoTW. The web pages for the expedition are at http://www.dx4dx.com/ox/index.html [TNX EA5BWR]
T30 - Dave, N1EMC (T30KI) and Mike, N1IW (T30IW) will be active from Tarawa, West Kiribati (OC-017) on 10-16 November. They will operate SSB and CW on 6, 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40 and 60 metres (no activity on 80 or 160m). QSL via N1EMC (direct) and LoTW. Their web page is at http://dx.t30dx.net/ [TNX The Daily DX]
TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (www.tcswat.org) will be active as TC1YLH from Yesilkoy Lighthouse between 6 and 23 November, mainly during the weekends. QSL via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]
UA - Oleg, UA0ZAL has been a resident on Bering Island (AS-039) since September 2007. In recent times he was active mainly on 40 metres CW. QSL via RV1CC, direct or bureau.
UA - Vasily, RA9LI will soon relocate to Troynoy Island (AS-086), where he expects to operate in his spare time as RA9LI/0 for one year. QSL via UA9LP. [TNX I4EAT]
VE - After his recent and memorable trip to the Ottawa Islands, Cezar (VE3LYC) will attempt to activate East Pen Island (NA-231, new one) for three days between 26 and 31 March 2010. Intended callsign will be VY0V, which will be applied for in due course. Cezar reminds everyone that an earlier try he undertook with G3OCA in July 2007 was unsuccessful. The outcome of this new attempt will be determined by local conditions, weather and safety factors. At this time, Cezar is looking for group and individual donors who understand and appreciate the nature of this difficult project and are willing to join in the effort. Support for this project is welcome via PayPal at tiberius.trifu@... [TNX VE3LYC]
VP8_ant - VP8DMH is the callsign issued to Mike, M0PRL, who is currently stationed at Rothera Base on Adelaide Island (AN-001), Antarctica. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
VP8_fal - CX2AM, CX3AN, CX3BH, CX3CE, CX4AAJ and CX4CR will be active as VP8BUH (SSB) and VP8BUG (CW and digital modes) from Port Stanley, Falkland Islands (SA-002) on 14-21 November. They will have three stations and plans are to focus on the low bands as well as on 30,

17 and 12 metres. QSL via EB7DX. Further information and logsearch
at http://www.qsl.net/vp8bug [TNX CX3AN]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Gerhard/DJ5IW, Norbert/DJ7JC, Andrea/IK1PMR, Franz/OE2SNL,
Wil/PA0BWL and Claudia/PA3LEO will operate CW, SSB and RTTY from Samoa,
Tonga, New Zealand, the South Cook Islands and Singapore in November-
December. Their schedule is as follows:
11-18 Nov Upolu (OC-097) DJ5IW, DJ7JC, IK1PMR, PA0BWL and
PA3LEO under individual 5W callsigns
19 Nov-1 Dec Tongatapu (OC-049) A31IW, A31JC, A31LEO, A31MR, A31SN
and A31WL, plus A31A for the CQ WW
DX CW Contest
2-5 Dec Waiheke Island (OC-201) ZL/DJ5IW, ZL/DJ7JC, ZL/IK1PMR, ZL/
OE2SNL, ZL/PA0BWL and ZL/PA3LEO
5-12 Dec Rarotonga (OC-013) E51BWL, E51LEO, E51NAA, E51PMR,
E51SNL and E51XIW
15-17 Dec Singapore (9V) 9V1/DJ7JC, 9V1/IK1PMR, 9V1/PA0BWL
and 9V1/PA3LEO
On Upolu, Tongatapu and Rarotonga they will have four stations, and plans
are to focus on Europe, the low bands, 12, 17 and 30 metres and RTTY. QSL
for all callsigns via PA3LEO. QSLling instructions, logsearch and further
information can be found at http://www.pacificdxpedition.com

SOUTH AMERICA TOUR ---> Alain, F6BFH and his wife Danielle will be visiting
Chile and Argentina between 6 November and 15 December. It will be a
"backpacker style" travel and Alain plans to operate CW (14040, 18098 and
21040 kHz) and some SSB (14260, 18146 and 21206 kHz). His current plans
include IOTA activities from an island in the SA-085 group (along with
CE6TBN, sometime around 9-10 November), Chiloe Island (SA-018, 22-26
November) and Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego (SA-008, soemtime between 6 and 11
December). QSL via F6BFH, direct or bureau. Updates will be posted on
http://alan-f6bfh.blogspot.com/ [TNX F5NQL]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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9G5TT & 9G5XX ---> The pilot for the 13-27 November DXpedition to Ghana
[425DXN 951] is Arturo, IK7JWY. He can be contacted through the dedicated
forum at http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=45

DXCC NEWS ---> VQ9JC (Chagos Island, current operation) has been approved
for DXCC credit. This operation was previously rejected as a shipboard
operation. DXCC exchanged correspondence with the operator and determined
that this operation was actually land-based thereby satisfying the
conditions of DXCC Rule 8. If you had this operation rejected send an
e-mail to dxcc@... to receive credit. [TNX NC1L]

NCDXF ---> At a board meeting this week, the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) elected officers for 2010. Bruce Butler (W6OSP) will remain as President, Glenn Johnson (W0GJ) will remain as Vice President and Tom McShane (NW6P) will remain as Secretary/Treasurer. The NCDXF Board of Directors reluctantly accepted the retirement of Len Geraldi (K6ANP) and Al Burnham (K6RIM) from the Board of Directors after many years of excellent leadership. At the present time, the NCDXF Board is planning on operating with 9 directors.
The NCDXF's website (http:/www.ncdxf.org) has been upgraded and newsletters are now available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the website. The latest newsletter features "the rest of the story" and an excellent summary of the 7O1YGF Yemen operation, which was only recently approved for DXCC.
Please note that the NCDXF mailing address has been recently changed: NCDXF, P.O. Box 2012, Cupertino, CA 95015-2012, USA. [TNX W0GJ]

OQRS FILES LOST ---> On 31 October Bill, VK4FW lost both his laptop and the external backup stick drive, "all suspected from AC surge", he says. So "all Online QSL Request System files for 4W6FR are at this time lost, as well as any OQRS VK9LA files for the last 4 days. If any of you have sent for QSç request for the above, please kindly resend me full details to vk4fw@...".

QSL VIA W8ZA ---> Bob is taking over the QSL chores from the late K3IXD for C6APR, C6AXD and K3IXD cards. His address is Bob Biss, 680 Wren Lane, Harpers Ferry, WV 25425-4938, USA [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (315 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (978 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2681 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (324 QSLs), Antarctic bases (795 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 255 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (285 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (94 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (719 QSLs), French Departments (569 QSLs) and USA (50 QSLs), plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (112 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit http://LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@... [TNX F6AJA]

THAILAND ---> Thailand's National Telecommunications Commission has approved a request by the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand to expand 40 metres. Effective 6 November, E2 and HS stations will have primary use of 7.0 to 7.2 MHz. [TNX ARRL DX News]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Artur Gil Machado (CT2HNI), Len R. Borley (G4LIK), Anatoly M. Bakharev (RV6BO), Valerij

Buhtiarov (UA0AGAI, "Subbu" K.P. Subramanya (VU2FF) and Robert Allen Craft, Jr. (W6FAH).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3D2KJ SP5DRH GN4KPT/p M0DOL RC3W RW3WWW
3D2MJ SP5EAQ GW9T GW6NLP RC9O UA9PC
3DA0WW 3DA0TM H2E 5B4AGE RG9A UA9XC
3V8SS IZ8CCW HA5X M0XXA RK0L UA0LW
3W1M OM3JW HB0/HB9AON DJ2YE RK3K RX3OM
3Z40KP SP5KP HC2SL EA5KB RL3A W3HNK
4H1T DU1IVT HC8A KU9C RL4R RW4PL
4L0A EA7FTR HF35PEA SP1NQF RM3F UA3DPX
4L1FP LZ1OT HG6N HA6KNB RT6A RZ6AZZ
4L1UN EA7FTR HI3K KB2MS RW0A RA0ALM
4L6DL LZ1OT HK1KXA EA5KV RW2F DK4VW
4M5IR YV5KG HK1NK EA5KB RZ1CWC RN1CW
4U1WB KK4HD HK1X EA7FTR SI9AM SM3CVM
4X0A 4X1VF HQ2W HR2DMR SJ2W SM2WMV
5B8AD W3HNK HQ9R K5WW SK3W SM5DJZ
5H1HS DL7VSN HS0AC HS0ZFZ SN2K SP2YWL
5H3EE DL4ME HS0ZAR K3ZO SN3R SP6HEQ
5P3WW DL1YAW HT2N K9NW SN6Z SP6RZ
5Q1A OZ5ESB IF9A IT9ATF SO6X SP6IXF
5Q2J OZ2JBC IG9R IK8HCG SO8A SP8YB
7Z1SJ EA7FTR IG9S IZ8GCE SO8R SQ8JLA
8P0P 8P9NX II4A IK4ADE SO9S SP9PRO
8P5A NN1N IO4T IZ4JMA SX5P SV5FRD
8P9JG NN1N IO5O IK5RLP SY2V SV2GJV
8Q7LM DL7ULM IQ1RY IK1HXN T46A CO6LC
8R1PY PY2WAS IQ3RK IZ3BUQ T88KP JR8DHE
9A3B 9A1AA IQ3UD IV3DSH TA4ZT DK1AR
9K2K EA5KB IQ4RN IK4GNI TC7KA TA7KA
9K2YM EA5KB IR4M IK4WMH TF3CW LX1NO
9L1BTB SP7BTB IR4X I4EAT TG9NX N4FKZ
9M6XRO M0URX IR5T IK5ORP TI5N W3HNK
9M8YY JR3WXA IR7DLI IK7JWX TI8M TI2KAC
9Y4W DL4MDO IR8P IZ8FWN TJ3SL F5PSA
A31KK XE1KK IR9Y IT9ABY TK9R IK8UND
A35A W7TSQ IS0/K7QB IN3QBR TM0T F4EFI
A41MX EB7DX IU1CL IZ1MLV TM2S F5PED
A61BK NI5DX IU9T IT9GSF TM5SN F5IL
A61C W4JS J28KO F6DKI TM6M F4DXW

A61R EA7FTR J43J DJ5JH TM9R F6KNB
A71BU NI5DX JT1ZO OH0XX TN5SN IZ1BZV
A71CT EA7FTR JU75BSI JT1CH TO7A UT5UGR
A73A EA7FTR JY4NE K3IRV TR8CA F6CBC
AH0BT 7L1FPU KH6LC AI4U TX3A HA7RY
AH2R JH7QXJ KH6MB AI4U UA3R RN3RQ
AH6XX K2WR KH7X K2PF UE1ASP RV1AQ
AL1G AC7DX KP2M AI4U UE3LFF UA3LAF
AL7R K9IT KP4AO W3HNK UN4L UA9AB
AM1A EA1URG KP4KE OK1DOT UN7MMM EA7FTR
AM2T EA2ASY KP4MS W4DN UN7QF EX2A
AM3SSB EA3JW L20E WD9EWK UN7RBX DL1USB
AM5A EA5RKB L33M LU1MA UN7RK DL1USB
AO1J EA1JJ L73D EA5KB UN8GV RD3AY
AO3A EA3BOX LM2T70Y LA2T UN9L LZ1YE
AO5R EB5GG LN3Z LA9VDA UN9PQ IK2QPR
AO8A OH1RY LN8W LA9VDA UP0L DL8KAC
AY0DX LU3DR LP1H EA5KB UP2L UA9AB
AY4D EA5KB LQ0F EA5KB UP4L UN7LZ
B1Z EA7FTR LR1H LU2HOD UP6P UN7PBY
B4B BA4EG LS2D EA5KB US5D UT7DX
B4TB BA4TB LT0D LU6DU UT3L UR5LO
B7M BG7LHY LT1F AC7DX UU7J UU0JM
B7P BD7IXG LT4S LU8SAN UW0K US0KW
BT4NG BG4OGO LT7H LU1HLH UW8I UT2IZ
C4I LZ2HM LU/PY2TJ PT2OP UX2X UT2XQ
C4W 5B4WN LU1ZD LU4DXU UZ0U UY5ZZ
C4Z G3SWH LU6FOV EA5KB UZ7M UT9MZ
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CE1W HA1AG LW3EWZ EA5KB V48M K2SB
CE3G CE3WDH LX7I LX2A V63DX JA7HMZ
CE4B CE4ETZ LY6A LY2BM V63T JA7GYP
CE4CT EA5KB LY7A LY2ZO VC2Z VE2BR
CN2R W7EJ LY7Z LY2TA VE2DXY KD3RF
CN3A I2WIJ LZ100SO LZ2VP VE2IM VE3DZ
CN4P EA5XX LZ1195IR LZ1KZA VI50LZ VK5LZ
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CO6CAC EA5KB LZ44WFF LZ1KZA VK6NC VK6NE
CO8LY EA7ADH LZ9W LZ1PM VK7ACG G0WFH
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CQ9T CT3KN MI0M MI0SAI VP2MUM DL2RUM
CR2X OH2BH MM1LOL/p M1REK VP2MXO DM2XO
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CR3L DJ6QT N7JAL/KH2 JM1WJI VP5T N2VW
CR5R CT1EEK NH6P KH7Y VR2C WA4WTG
CR5SBK CT2FPE NP4A W3HNK VY2ZM K1ZM
CR5T CS6ARC NP4Z WC4E XE1EE EA5KB
CR6K CT1ILT NY8A/KH2 JG1ITH XE2K XE2DN
CS2P CT1BWU OA4SS KB6J XE2S WD9EWK

CX7TT K5WW OD5ET EB7DX XE3N EA5FL
D2EB IZ3ETU OE2S OE2GEN XR0Y CE3AA [c]
D2PJB CT1IUA OE8Q OE8SKQ XR0Y SQ8X [d]
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DR775TMG DJ8QP OH0X OH2TA XU7KOH ON7PP
DX1J JA1HGY OH0Z W0MM XV1X OK1DOT
E51NOU N7OU OH4A OH6LI XV4D DL7DF
E51TLA OZ6TL OH5Z OH5LIZ XV9DX OM3JW
E51USA E51CG OH8X OH2UA YA1DIR EA4URE
E73M E73Y OK1T OK1TP YC9MDX EB7DX
E73W E73Y OK7M OK1DVM YE2R EB7DX
E77DX E77E OL1X OK4PA YJ0CCC VK2CCC
E77XZ DK6XZ OL4A OK1DSX YL7X YL2LY
E79D E77E OL5Q OK1HRA YM3A LZ1NK
E7DX E77E OL7T OK2BXU YR8V YO8CT
EA8AH OH1RY OM7M OM3PA YR9P YO9HP
EA8CMX OH2BYS OM8A OM2VL YS1YS YS1GMV
EA9EU EA5KB OT5A ON7LR YT36QRP YU7CM
EB1WW EA1KY OT5P ON7RN YT6T YU7CM
ED5R EA4RCH OX2A OZ1ACB YT8A YU1EA
ED5T EA5ELT OZ/OE9SDV OE9SDV YT9X YU1AAX
ED9DMC EA9BV OZ7A OZ7AMG YU9JJS HA7JJS
EE2W EB2BXL P29NI G3KHZ YU9NL HA6NL
EE6E EA6DD P29VCX SM6CVX YU9PL HA7PL
EE9Z EA9LZ P29VLR SM6CVX YU9PS HA6PS
EH5T EA5GPC P33W RA3AUU YW4D EA7JX
EI/GN4KPT/p M0DOL P40A WD9DZV YW5L W4SO
EI7M EI6HB PA6Z PA9M YW5T YV5JBI
EI9JF LZ3HI PE25KP PE2KP Z21BB W3HNK
EK8WA SP9LJD PI4DX PD1DX Z37M IQ8MD [e]
EL8RI ZS6RI PJ2T N9AG ZL3A ZL3WW
EM65A UT7AXA PJ4K ZP5AZL ZM4A ZL4AA
EN65MF UR0MM PQ5B PP5JD ZP8VAO K2DER
ER4DX RA4LW PS2T K3IRV ZS4U K3IRV
ER650M ER1DA PV2P PY2DY ZS9T ZS1QRM
FR1AN NI5DX PW2D PY2VM ZS9X K3IRV
G5O G3VOU PW2SIDC PS7YL ZV2C PY2CX
GA2MP N3SL PW5G PP5VB ZV2K PY2WAR
GB0AD 2W0XTP PX2T PY2DN ZW5B K3IRV
GI5K G3SWH PX5E AI4U ZX2B PY2MNL
GJ2A GJ3DVC [a] PY0FF W9VA ZX5J AI4U
GJ2A K2WR [b] R1AND RU1ZC ZY2C PY2ADR
GM0B MM0BHX R1ANY RK3MWD ZY7C PT7WA
GM2T GM4UYZ R50KTV RA6AU ZZ5Z PP5JAK
GM7R N3SL RA9A UA9APA ZZ6Z PY6HD

[a] others
[b] USA
[c] North, Central South America

[d] Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania
[e] CQWW SSB 2009

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11749. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 17:30:36 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11685 Message: 11749

Ok - tnx. In my day it was megacycles which I think was a very large bicycle;-)
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Geoff Wilson

Ummmmmm..... HERTZ ;^) Get it??? LOL

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

11750. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 17:32:34 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11747 Message: 11750

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----- Original Message -----
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 9:05 AM
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11751. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 17:41:58 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11747 Message: 11751

ha ha ha !

:-)

I like that one !

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----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 11:32 AM
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11752. [425ENG] 425 DX News #966 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 17:57:58 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11752 Message: 11752

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11753. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 20:47:31 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11685 Message: 11753

Some crystals set an operating frequency band: as in the Collins S line, the drake C-line, etc. Other crystals stuck you on one frequency, like 28,800 CPS

Rental car => HERTZ

BTW: my memory improved while I was in prison. The mobile rig was a Multi-Elmac A-54H, an 807 modulated by 2 6L6s. Prison and Jail do wonders for a 'faulty memory'.

DD
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Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 11:29 AM
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>> From: John Geiger
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>> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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>>
>> Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots,
>> so I assume it was a busted call.
>>
>> 73s John AA5JG
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>> --- On Wed, 11/4/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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>> From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
>> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
>> To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
>> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM
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>>
>> During CQWW I worked a 3E1RR. Can't find him in any of the
>> data bases, but know that call is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it
>> just one of those club stations which sometimes don't appear?
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 20:53:59 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11747 Message: 11754

I have an old station also. Two winters ago I reconditioned a Hammarlund HQ-145X to full spec compliant performance and rejuvenated an old Heathkit DX-40 and VF-1. The DX 40 puts out a full power [40 watts] on 80/40/20/15 and 10 meters.

The most difficult part was finding a non-modified D-104 for the DX-40. Second most difficult was finding a DPDT 115 VAC Dow Key Coax relay at reasonable $$$.

Used the station on 40/20 CW for over a year. Yep, the VF-1 drifted just like the olden days :-)

DD, W1MCE and OOOTC 55+ years on the air.

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 10:43 AM
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11755. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 21:54:40 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11747 Message: 11755

I still have my Novice station - a Heathkit Mohawk RX-1 receiver and a Hallicrafters HT-40 transmitter. I built a VFO out of a military surplus ARC-5 transmitter for the HT-40.

It's at my mom's house and I don't know what condition it's in these days. Maybe next time I'm there I'll check it out.

73, Zack W9SZ

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11756. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11756

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 06 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 310 Issued at 2200Z on 06 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 05/2100Z
to 06/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1030 (N24W07) was
a simple beta group with 6 spots. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 05/2100Z to 06/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to
be quiet on day one (07 November). Quiet to unsettled levels, with a
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on day two (08 November) in response to a weak recurrent coronal
hole high-speed stream. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet
levels on day three (09 November).
III. Event Probabilities 07 Nov-09 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 06 Nov 071
Predicted 07 Nov-09 Nov 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 06 Nov 070
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 05 Nov 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 06 Nov 000/001
Predicted Afr/Ap 07 Nov-09 Nov 005/005-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 07 Nov-09 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11757. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 22:30:47 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11747 Message: 11757

LOL,

can U imagine giving a station like that to a newbie now days ?

BOy now that would be fun to watch !

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Rental car => HERTZ

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11759. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-07 00:04:25 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11685 Message: 11759

Ok! Ok! I surrender!!

FYI regarding jail and prison ... I am the assigned Catholic Chaplain for the Manchester NH County Jail and the NH State Prison for Women!! I get to come home at night. I have two parishes to worry about also :-)

DD

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11760. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 23:04:07 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11747 Message: 11760

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Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 2:30 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

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11761. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-06 23:13:52 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11747 Message: 11761

REAL Boat Anchors!
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From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 6, 2009 4:54:40 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

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Date: 2009-11-07 00:17:02 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11747 Message: 11762

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HUM,

Maybe I should PRAY for you !

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One thing I noticed over the years is how hams hear ya and come back sounding like Donald Duck. Then when you tune them in you're up a bit and then they come back even higher. Moral to that story was to get a Siltronics or Driftronics as we called them. For the newer set - don't concern yourself - we did. Boy, have we come a long way since. Even My FT101E drifted for a few minutes on startup.
28.500 - 28.500.8 Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 8:45 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

I remember reading on eham.net a couple of years ago that somehow many new hams believe that you just be on xxx.00 frequency, meaning rounded off to the KHZ frequency. Don't know where this stupid idea came from (but I can guess) but it does explain something- Occassionally I would get people calling me slightly off frequency when I was running a frequency on 6m. Now I know why-they had to round to the closest KHZ.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 11/5/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@theunion.net> wrote:

From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@theunion.net>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, November 5, 2009, 10:19 AM

Now that seems like a fair question to me - why?
rene whose radidio doesn't have a .nn readout...

----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@comcast. net>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 4:25 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Busted Call?

>A friend related this to me not too long ago.
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> He was on SSB one afternoon and a "new" guy came along (no one recognized
> who he was). He asked if it was a private net or could anyone join in.
> They welcomed him and he joined the round-table.
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> About half an hour the group started breaking up. The new guy wanted to
> know if it was all right to ask a question. No one objected and the new
> guy said "Why are all you guys off frequency?" There was a moment's pause
> and someone else asked "What do you mean - we're all off frequency?" The
> new guy responded "Everybody's on 14332.43 instead of 14332!"
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, "HK3CW" <hk3cw@...> wrote:
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>> That reminds me of a local ham which I called on 2 mts once to advise him
>> of a DX on the air. He replied that that station was not on frequecy
>> because he wasn't posted on the cluster! I said..ok seems I just made a
>> qso with a DX that isn't valid because he wasn't on the cluster...
>> 73....bye... .
>> I later confirmed the qso with HV0A on 10 mts. Funny he was never on the
>> cluster...
>>
>> 73 de HK3CW Rob
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>> ----- Original Message -----
>> From: John Geiger
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
>> Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 12:16 PM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
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>> Doing a search for that call on the DX cluster turned up zero spots,
>> so I assume it was a busted call.
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>> 73s John AA5JG
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>> --- On Wed, 11/4/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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>> From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
>> Subject: [DX-IS] Busted Call?
>> To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups. com>
>> Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 11:08 AM

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>> During CQWW I worked a 3E1RR. Can't find him in any of the
>> data bases, but know that call is from Panama. Did I bust it or is it
>> just one of those club stations which sometimes don't appear?
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>> TIA
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>> Dale K8TS
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.49/2480 - Release Date: 11/04/09
07:37:00

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.424 / Virus Database: 270.14.51/2482 - Release Date: 11/05/09 07:37:00

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11764. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-07 01:47:11 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11747 Message: 11764

When I was one of those "newbies", I knew you could change the frequency of a xtal by sanding it down. I sanded and sanded with no results on a 80 xtal. I showed it to my "Elmer" and told him it just won't work. He pointed out to me that you can't sand down the CORNER of the xtal and expect anything to happen. :)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dick Flanagan" <dick@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 6, 2009 7:17:02 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

There was a time when WE were that newbie and most of us turned out OK. Let's cut the new folks some slack.

Dick

At 03:04 PM 11/6/2009, WB6PSY/N6AXK wrote:

.............but wouldn't be fun to listen to;-)
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 2:30 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

LOL,

 can U imagine giving a station like that to a newbie now days ?

BOy now that would be fun to watch !

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Dick Flanagan K7VC dick@...

11765. Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-07 01:54:32 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11747 Message: 11765

Seems I tweeked the variable capacitor .... ..
rene
p.s. when I was a 'newbie' I had not only classroom training but OTA too doing a lot of listening plus taking my tests at the FCC;-)

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From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 5:47 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Old Radios

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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11766. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-07 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11766

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 07 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 311 Issued at 2200Z on 07 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 06/2100Z
to 07/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1030 (N25W25)
decayed into a spotless plage region today. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 06/2100Z to 07/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled, with a slight chance for an
active period at high latitudes, on day one (08 November). The
increase in activity is due to a weak recurrent coronal hole
high-speed stream. Quiet levels are expected on days two and three
(09-10 November).
III. Event Probabilities 08 Nov-10 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 07 Nov 071
Predicted 08 Nov-10 Nov 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 07 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 06 Nov 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Nov 000/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Nov-10 Nov 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Nov-10 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11767. XR0Y Group

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-08 15:22:11 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11767 Message: 11767

Really impressed with the small group down on Easter Island.

All modes, all bands even with weather, power outages, & loss of equipment during trasportation.

In addition they have an amazing web site which is constantly updated, a online log updated daily, and twitter updates to keep us current.

Well planned out, good ops, and working hard get to everyone.

Doesn't get better than that!!!!

Bob KB1JZU

11768. DXpeditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-08 18:39:54 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11768 Message: 11768

Interesting article in the November CQ magazine on page 32, Medical Considerations for DXpeditions written by K9SQ, the medical officer for Peter Uno and Desecheo.

He gives great insight to what it takes to get to some places which, hopefully, one will get a deeper appreciation as to what it takes. So, for those that bitch about the DXpeditions, please consider going to a place like Peter Uno (if you even qualify).

Rene

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The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

11769. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-08 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11769

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 08 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 312 Issued at 2200Z on 08 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 07/2100Z
to 08/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 07/2100Z to 08/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels, due to a weak
recurrent coronal high-speed stream. Wind speeds increased from 260
km/s to 451 km/s at 08/1934Z. The interplanetary magnetic field
(IMF) showed an enhancement of total field of 11 nT, while the
southward component reached -9 nT.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet, with a chance for an isolated unsettled period
early in the period, on day one (09 November). Quiet levels are
expected for days two and three (09-11 November).
III. Event Probabilities 09 Nov-11 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
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Observed 08 Nov 071
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90 Day Mean 08 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 07 Nov 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 08 Nov 007/007
Predicted Afr/Ap 09 Nov-11 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Nov-11 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11770. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #933

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-08 21:33:57 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11770 Message: 11770

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 933

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 933
BID: $OPDX.933
November 9, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-November, through Sunday, 8th-November there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FK/c, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/g, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Vaho, 4L8A, will be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via K1BV.

4L, GEORGIA. Dick, N6AA, will be active as 4L0A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry.

QSL via EA7FTR.

5W, WESTERN SAMOA. Steve, WB2IQU, will be active (possibly) as 5W2IQU between November 18□22nd. Operations will be low key using an Icom 706 into a small MFJ antenna tuner and a 20m dipole.

5X, UGANDA. Nick, G3RWF, will once again be active as 5X1NH between January 21st and March 21st, 2010. Activity will be on the HF bands. Nick prefers CW and likes the Digital modes (PSK and RTTY), but may work SSB whenever signals are good enough. QSL via his home callsign.

9G, GHANA. Just a reminder that a team of Italian operators will be active from Busua Beach between November 13-27th. The group will also activate Abokwa Island (AF-084), during their stay with one station on 20 meters only. The time of operation on the island will be planned day by day, pending the sea condition and weather forecast. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes, 80-10 meters. The callsign 9G5TT will be used from the mainland while the callsign 9G5XX will be used from Abokwa Island. Operators mentioned are: Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Carlo/IK1AOD, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/ IK2HKT, and Donato/IZ2CHO. QSL via I2YSB, direct only. More information can be found at: http://www.i2ysb.com

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Members of the VooDoo Contest Group will be active during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th), signing 9L5A. This year the operators are Ned/AA7A, Nick/G3RWF, Fred/G4BWP, Bud/N7CW and Gary/ ZL2IFB. They will enter the contest as a Multi-Two or Multi-Multi category. Their activity in the contest will be on all six contest bands (CW only). For pre-contest activity, there may also be some operations on 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL 9L5A via G3SXW (see QRZ.com). G3RWF may also activate his 9L1NH callsign, and AA7A his 9L7NS callsign. Please QSL via their home callsigns. There will be no daily logs, but LoTW upload will be done soon after returning home. No cash donations are requested for this project just the usual USD/IRC for direct cards.

AU8, INDIA (Special Event). Dattatry, VU2DSI, states that he will be operating the special event station AU8JCB between November 28th and December 1st. Suggested frequencies are: 7070, 14270, 14200, 21280 and 28510 kHz. Activity is to commemorate the 151th anniversary of Sir Jagadish Chandra Bose -"Father of Radio Communication". QSL direct to VU2DSI: Dattatry Deogaonkar, Surabhi Meherabad, Ahmednagar 414006, INDIA. ADDED NOTE: Other Indian Hams are expected to operate possibly with other special callsigns.

CN, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, will once again be active as CN2R during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op and possibly as a Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via W7EJ. See the station from CN2R at: http://www.arraysolutions.com/Users/cn2r.htm

D2, ANGOLA. Paulo, CT1ITZ, will be active as D2PJB from Porto Amboim, 300km from the capital Luanda, until November 29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. Most of his activity so far has been on 20

meters. He is using an Icom 706 and a Windom antenna. QSL via CT1IUA. Direct QSL, please send 2 USDs or one new IRC (ending 2013). QSLs without enough postage will go via Bureau.

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
VQ9JC - Chagos Island; Current operation
This operation was previously rejected as a shipboard operation. DXCC exchanged correspondence with the operator and determined that this operation was actually land-based thereby satisfying the conditions of DXCC Rule 8. If you had this operation rejected send an email to <dxcc@...> to receive credit.

* DXCC YEAR-END SUBMISSIONS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "This is a reminder that the cut off date to have submissions in for the 2009 DXCC Annual and Honor Roll Listings is December 31, 2009. Applications must be postmarked by this date. December is expected to be a heavy period so applicants are encouraged not to wait until the last minute to get their submissions in. Also, with the holiday season approaching mail handling will sharply increase.
Applicants are strongly encouraged to check the 'List of DXCC Applications Received' link on the DXCC web site to assure that their applications were logged in for 2009. With the mail being heavy in DXCC, last minute applications received after December 31st, may get logged in for 2010. Also, the USPS postmarks are often unreadable so this could also affect last minute submissions. If you find on this page that your 2009 submission was logged in for 2010, you must contact DXCC by February 1, 2010, to get this corrected. DXCC is not responsible for 2009 applications that are logged in for 2010 after February 1, 2010.
We expect for December that the turnaround will increase in excess of 12 weeks. This is normal for this time of yea,r and we appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to get all 2009 applications completed.
The 2009 DXCC Yearbook is expected to be in the mail by late May or early June 2010. Please remember that in order to receive the free copy you must:
- Be a member of ARRL
- Submit an application within the 2009 calendar year, or
- Be current on the DXCC Honor Roll (329 current entities or higher)
If you did not qualify for the yearbook, copies will be avaliable from the ARRL catalog. Send questions to: dxcc@... "

E2, THAILAND. Operator Tony, E21IZC, to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via E21IZC direct (QRZ.com).

E4, PALESTINE (Update). Antonio, EA5RM, has announced that he has received the callsign E4X and license from the National Palestine Authority officials from Telecommunication Ministry. Operation will take place in 2010. QSL via EA5RM. No other details are available, but a Web page is up and running at: http://www.dxfriends.com/e4x/index.php
Stay Tuned!!!!

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Henrik, OZ6TL, is now active as E51TLA from Raratonga Island (OC-013) until the end of November. Activity will be holiday style, and most of his operations so far as been mainly on RTTY 20 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON (Rescheduled Op). Operators Eric/KV1J and Tom/W8TOM are now active as FP/homecall from Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002 WLOTA 1417, WW Loc. GN17TC) between November 7-15th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters and 70cm (Satellite AO-51), using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31, generally on the highest frequency band that is open (no permission for 60m). QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Visit Eric's Web page for more details at: http://www.kv1j.com/fp/october09.html

GD, ISLE OF MAN. Dave, G3NKC, will be active as MD6V during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. He will be active outside of the contest using GD3NKC/P. QSL via G3NKC.

GS, SCOTLAND (Year Long Special Event - Yaesu Heritage Year 2010). Using their club callsign GS2MP (North of Scotland Contest Group GM7V), operators Chris GM3WOJ/ZL1CT and Jim/GM0NAI will be operating their vintage Yaesu transmitters/receivers and transceivers during the year 2010. Each calendar month they will use a different Yaesu radio, and amateurs worldwide are invited to work GS2MP and earn points towards the "Yaesu Heritage Year Award". Operation will mostly be on 40 and 20 meters, SSB and CW, using classic radios like the FT-dx-100 (original), FT-200, FT-dx-401, etc. Yaesu (UK) Ltd are kindly sponsoring the event by supplying special QSL cards, small trophies and a special prize to the overall 'winner' of this year-long fun event. More details to follow soon - please visit the following Web site for some photos of the vintage radios at: http://www.gm7v.com/yaesu2010.htm

HI7, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Ronny, ON4ARV/OT4R, will once again be active as HI7/OT4R from Punta Cana between May 1□22nd (2010). Activity will be mainly on 20/15/10 meters SSB. Suggested frequency for 20 meters maybe 14300 kHz. QSL via OT4R. Visit his Web page at: http://www.ot4r.net/index.html

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Claudio, I1NVU, will be active as IG9U from Lampedusa Island during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via I1NVU.

AS-086. Vasily, RA9LI, will be active as RA9LI/0 from Troynoy Island for about a year. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via UA9LP.

EU-031. (Update) Operators Alfredo/IK7JWX, Alessandro/IW8EHK, Leopoldo/
I8LWL and Titti/IK8GQY (YL) will join Raul/IC8ATA and be active
as IC8/homecall from Procida Island (I.I.A. NA-002, Grid JN70BR)
between November 68th. Activity will be on all HF bands and
6 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. It is possible that the
group may operate from Ischia (Grid JN60XR) and Vivara Islands
(Grid JN70AR) also. QSL via IK7JWX, direct or by the Bureau.
Visit their Web page at: http://www.iz8gdo.it/aristabia

NA-153. Operators Zalo/XE3N, Jose/XE3PP, Benigno/XE2WK and Juan/XE3RR
will be active as XF3RR from Isla Cerrito between December
4□14th. This operation is organized by the Radio Club Cancun,
and it will be a low scale operation as the island is a
protected area. More details are forthcoming.

NA-231. (NEW/RARE IOTA). After his recent and memorable trip to
Ottawa Islands (NA-230 as VY0O), Cezar, VE3LYC, will attempt
to activate East Pen Island, Nunavut, for three days during
the period between March 26-31st, 2010. Intended callsign will
be VY0V which will be applied for in due course. East Pen
Island is located in CQ Zone 4. Cezar would like to remind
everyone that an earlier try he undertook with Ken/G3OCA in
July 2007 was unsuccessful. The outcome of this new attempt
will be determined by local conditions, weather and safety
factors. At this time Cezar is looking for group and individual
donors who understand and appreciate the nature of this
difficult project and are willing to join in the effort. Support
for this project is welcome via PayPal at:
tiberius.trifu@...

JD1, OGASAWARA (Update). Operators Ted/K8AQM, Stan/AC8W, Brian/KG8CO and
possibly others will be operating from the Island of Chichijima (AS-031)
in the Ogasawara Island group, starting March 28th, for two weeks as
JD1BNM, JD1BNK and JD1BNJ, respectively. Activity will be on 160-10 meters
using CW, SSB and RTTY. JD1BNJ will be active only on RTTY and PSK. QSL
via LoTW or to K8AQM, direct or by the Bureau.

KH6, HAWAII. Tom, N1CE, will be active as N1CE/KH6 from Oahu Island
(OC-019, HI-008S) between December 17th and January 6th. He states that
his activity will be mobile using a Kenwood TS-480 w/100 watts, and it
will be SSB only on this trip. Tom will use a bunch of Ham Sticks, G5RV
and some end fed 1/2w dipoles (possibly a 160m dipole). QSL only direct
to his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For November 9-15th)....
Nov 9 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Nov 10 AN ---------------
Nov 11 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Nov 12 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Nov 13 AN LN - Low Normal
Nov 14 AN
Nov 15 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (Special Event). Operators Garry/K9WZB and Sharon/K7WZB will be operating from Saint Croix Island (NA-106) as K2V between December 2-14th, as a special "Christmas Festival" event. Activity will be on all bands 160-6 meters. They will be monitoring 6 meters most of the time for openings to the U.S. and Europe. Operations will be on SSB, RTTY, CW and PSK31. See QRZ.com under K2V for more information. QSL direct only via K9WZB (No Bureau QSLs); SAE outside of USA with USDs or 2 Euros...Please no IRCs. A special QSL will be available after their return. Log updates daily at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/K2V

MD, ISLE OF MAN. Martin, G4XUM, will be active as MD4K during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via G3NKC.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (Dated November 5th). "At a board meeting this week, the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) elected officers for 2010. Bruce Butler, W6OSP, will remain as President. Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, will remain as Vice President. Tom McShane, NW6P, will remain as Secretary/ Treasurer. The NCDXF Board of Directors reluctantly accepted the retirement of Len Geraldi, K6ANP, and Al Burnham, K6RIM, from the Board of Directors after many years of excellent leadership. At the present time, the NCDXF Board is planning on operating with 9 directors.
The <http:/www.ncdxf.org> Web site has been upgraded and newsletters are now available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the Web site. The latest newsletter features 'the rest of the story' and an excellent summary of the 7O1YGF Yemen operation which was only recently approved for DXCC.
Please note that the NCDXF mailing address has been recently changed:
NCDXF, P.O. Box 2012, Cupertino, CA 95015-2012, USA
Please contact me if any questions..... 73 Glenn W0GJ <w0gj@...>"

OH9, FINLAND (Special Event - This one is for the kids!). Once again Santa's own amateur radio station OH9SCL will be active from Santa Claus Land (SCL) in the Arctic Circle, during the month of December. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Among Santa's helpers, the following operators will be there operating: Raimo/OH3BHL, Erkki/OH9KL, Kimmo/OH9MDV, Juha/ OH9MM and Aaro/OH9RJ. QSL via OH9UV: Santa Claus Land, Napapiirin Yhdeksikot Ry, PL 50, 96101 Rovaniemi, Finland. A special "Santa Claus Land" award is available. For more information about the award, please visit the SCL Web page at: http://kotisivu.dnainternet.net/rakarttu/OH9SCL_2007/OH9SCL_2007

PC60, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Fred, PA0FAW, will activate special event station PC60TROLLEY between 2300z, November 17th and 2300z, December 15th. Activity is to celebrate Arnhem 60th anniversary of the city's use

of Trolleybusses. It is the only city in The Netherlands to have them. Fred will use CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via PA0FAW, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW and e-QSL. SWLs are welcome. Fred states, "I will ask for a special EPC-number and will try to be in at least 1 ISWL-SSB net."

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
4W6AL QSL CARDS. The Algarve STAR DX Team reported that the 4W6AL picture QSL cards are now available for viewing at: http://algarvedx.com
A double-sided QSL card will be sent for direct request and a single cards for bureau request. QSLs were printed by LZ3HI. They also mentioned that all documents were sent this week to DXCC desk.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 9M2CNC, 9M6XRO, AO8A, CT3EN, CT3FQ, CQ9T, EA1AP, EA8/OH6CS, FO/G3BJ, GW4BLE, HI3TEJ, HK1X, HK6P, IK0YVV, K4M, LA/DL6JZ, LA9Z, LX7I, LY4L, LY9Y, OA4AI, OE9GHV, OG6N, OK1CF, OK2ZI, ON4QX, P49X, PA7LV, PF7M, PR1T, RW0LT, RZ9HT, SV2BFN, TI5/NP3D, TO4X, TS7C, UA3BS/3, UA3SAQ, UA3TCJ, V31MW, VK4MA, WH2X, XE1CQ, YL7X, YO9HP, YW4V, ZM2M and ZY0T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3XM6JR, 4L5O, 9V1VV, HA5JI, J6/WB4WXE, KL5O, J79ZG, K9AJ/VY0, KD6WW/VY0, LA/DL6JZ, LA/DM2AUJ, LA1CI, LA9IAA, OK1DVM, OX3XR, RI1OP, TA1AN, TA3D, TU2/F5JJW, VC8B and YS1MAE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4W6R, 9M6/JF2OZH, A35ZS, D68WL, DL0CS, EB1LA, JA7COI, LZ1RAY, UN7MMM, V73WN and YJ0MM

T31, CENTRAL KIRTIBATI. Doug, NH6ZA, is in the process of putting together a DXpedition to Kanton Island using the callsign T31ZA. No other details available. Watch QRZ.com under T31ZA.

T4, CUBA. Members of the "Las Tunas Contest Crew" in Las Tunas will be active as T48K during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: CO8DM, CO8DL, CO8KA, CO7RR and CO8ZZ. QSL via DK1WI.

T8, PALAU. Junichi "Jun", JJ1BMB, will be active as T88AA from Palau Island, Micronesia, between November 9-22nd. He will be there for diving and ham radio. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. The best days to look for him, and he plans to spend most of his time on the radio, is November 14th, 15th, 21st and 22nd. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

TC1, TURKEY (LH Activity). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (TC Special Wireless Activity Team) in collaboration with the Directorate General of Coastal Safety
<http://www.kiyiemniyeti.gov.tr/default.asp?id=0&lng=en>
will activate the special callsign TC1YLH from Yesilkoy Lighthouse (TUR 055) between November 6-23rd. Activity will be mainly during the weekends on the HF bands using SSB and VHF-UHF on FM. This is the group's fifth leg of seven lighthouses to be activated for the Marmara Lighthouses On The Air (MLOTA) Award by TCSWAT; details can be found at:
http://www.tcswat.org/awards/MLOTA/index.html

Yesilkoy Lighthouse is one of the distinctive historical landmarks of Istanbul. See: http://culturecityistanbul.spaces.live.com/Blog/cns!3E86C71118DDDCE5!524.entry Operators mentioned are: Urcun/TA0U, Leonardo/TA1FR, Tevfik/TA1HZ, Erhan/ TA2DJ, Serkan/TA2JN and Bekir/TA2RX. For more details and information about the stations, see QRZ.com, and the TCSWAT Web page at: http://www.tcswat.org Also see: http://www.ta0u.com/detay.asp?id=4303

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND.. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY are now active as TX3A until December 6. Activity will be on all HF bands with an emphasis on the lower bands. QSL via HA7RY. For more detailed information and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.TX3A.com

V4, ST. KITTS (NA-104). Andy, N2NT, will once again be active as V47NT from the QTH of V47KP during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W2RQ.

V8, BRUNEI (OC-088). Hans, SM3TLG, will be active as V88/SM3TLG between November 16-20th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Gerd, DL7VOG, will be active as VP2V/DL7VOG from Anegada Island (NA-023) between November 15th and December 2nd. Activity will be on the HF bands, including 160m, mainly on CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

VY1, CANADA (Yukon Territory). Steve, N6QEK, has announced that he is planning a DXpedition to the Canadian Yukon Territory. He states, "I am going to be activating VY1 during the American Radio Relay League 2010 RTTY Roundup. I will be based in Whitehorse in a cabin that I have rented." Steve hopes to be on the air by December 30th (he arrives in Whitehorse on December 29th). He plans to operate before and after the contest on 80-10 meters (including 17/12m and possibly 160m) using RTTY, PSK31 and SSB. Operations will cease about January 4th. Check out his DXpedition Web page at: http://www.n6qek.com

XR0, EASTER ISLAND (Update). The international team of operators continue to be active as XR0Y from Rapa Nui until November 15th. For more details, please see their Web page at: http://rapanui2009.org
Read their QSL policy and routes on their Web page or refer to OPDX.932. LAST MINUTE UPDATE: The XR0Y team will be off-the-air between 1500z Monday, November 9th and 0100z Tuesday, November 10th. The team will take this time to see/visit the entire island and take team pictures. They were also invited by the local community to give an interview at Radio Rapa Nui!

YB0, INDONESIA. Pri, YB0ECT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via K3AIR.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND (We Stand Corrected). Last week we mentioned that Rick, AI5P, will once again be active as ZL/AI5P between November 1-6th, from New Zealand's North Island (OC-036). We stated that North Island was the

main island. This is incorrect per Phillip, ZL2TZE, who informed us that the main Island in New Zealand is the South Island also known as the Main Land.

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11771. RE: [DX-IS] XR0Y Group

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 08:03:04 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11767 Message: 11771

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Looking forward to some FP sigs down this way. Hopefully they will start to show on 20m SSB from 1230z for VKs.

Coupl'a more sunspots and we'll all be laughin!

73, Lance - VK6DU

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Sunday, 8 November 2009 11:22 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] XR0Y Group

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Bob KB1JZU

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11772. Re: XR0Y Group

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 14:20:25 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11767 Message: 11772

Lance

I'll try to get that request to Eric KV1J over at FP. He and I worked together for a number of years and I know him well.

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11773. conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 14:52:45 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 4050 Message: 11773

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I also heard VE1DX (less than 200 miles southwest of me) on 17. However, Paul didn't hear me :-(.

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Al, VE1AL

11774. QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 16:22:42 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11774 Message: 11774

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for the IOTA Program.

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73, Dick, W1KSZ

11775. Re: [DX-IS] conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 16:35:10 UTC
From: briana
Topic: 4050 Message: 11775

Yesterday they were awful-- if you wanted to work VO1MP from NC in SS on 15M

73 de Brian/K3KO

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11776. TX3A Receiving Antenna ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 16:48:45 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11776 Message: 11776

Does anyone know what they are using for a receiving antenna on 160 ?
They seem to hear very well.

On another note, yesterday morning they had a booming signal into
Arizona around 1100Z. This morning, I could barely hear them.

Don't you just love propagation !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

11777. Re: [DX-IS] conditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 19:19:49 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 4050 Message: 11777

Good conditions this AM here too. Good print on 20 M PSK-31 from YI9RZ and 4Z5NF at 1418 UTC.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Alan Leith
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 8:52 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11778. Re: XR0Y Group

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 19:31:01 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11767 Message: 11778

They were spotted yesterday a couple of times. The first time it turned out not to be them at all - it was XR0Y on Easter Is.

Later in the evening they were on 17 CW, but I never could hear them well enough to try calling. Have them a single time on 20 CW and that's it so far.

I don't think they worked any SSB when they were on Mellish and have been assuming they're not going to do any this time either. It would be nice if they did come up on phone - it's an all time new one for me and at least two modes would be nice.

Art - N4PJ

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11779. Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 19:33:07 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11774 Message: 11779

Yes, I saw some comments on the cluster earlier today about C91VM. He was asking $5 for *every* QSL card. The page I saw seems to indicate the RSGB will not honor his "selling the QSLs" practice. Good for them!

It's one thing to seek donations, but this guy seemed pretty blatant about selling the cards.

Art - N4PJ

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11780. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 19:40:23 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11774 Message: 11780

If someone is asking for a fair amount for return postage I have no qualms about sending it. $5 seems excessive for return postage from anywhere that I know of.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Nov 9, 2009 at 1:33 PM, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

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11781. Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 19:58:00 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11774 Message: 11781

Not to disagree with anyone on this point but if you go to the C91VM web site Marco is asking for postage plus a $5 or up donation to the
Mozambique School charity he is involved in.

Even though it may disqualify him, the intent here appears to be a noble one rather than a profit making activity.

Check the facts... not everthing is black and white...

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11782. RE: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 20:02:57 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11774 Message: 11782

It still ain't kosher. I fully agree with RSGB/IOTA and when I saw the DEMAND on QRZ.com I simply refused to get involved -- even if I do need the IOTA. If it had been suggested that a donation to the school would be welcomed, I might have considered it.

73

Al, VE1AL

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Yahoo! Groups Links

11783. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 20:32:52 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11774 Message: 11783

Hi Alan,

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beyond all reason. Missed lots of rare QSL's because of boycotting
German managers. It's only a matter of who is the crook.

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Guess my boycott didn't make a dent.

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Alan Leith wrote:
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11784. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 21:16:02 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11774 Message: 11784

I didn't know that. That reminds me of the 9G1AA operation in 1993. They were raising funds for an addition to a hospital in Dormaa. I gave them considerably more of a donation than I do to most operations.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 21:18:37 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11774 Message: 11785

P.S. The Dutch hams who activated 9G1AA did not demand anything. They asked for donations of extra money to help the hospital and they got it. It was the way it was presented, I think.

Zack W9SZ

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11786. Re: [DX-IS] TX3A Receiving Antenna ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 21:38:03 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 11776 Message: 11786

Dick

Take a look on their web site (I think under equipment). They have a good breakdown on both their transmit and recevie ant system.

Dick K8ZTT

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 9:48 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] TX3A Receiving Antenna ?

Does anyone know what they are using for a receiving antenna on 160 ?
They seem to hear very well.

On another note, yesterday morning they had a booming signal into
Arizona around 1100Z. This morning, I could barely hear them.

Don't you just love propagation !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

11787. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 21:52:29 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 11774 Message: 11787

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I think Alan VK0MM did this for at least part of his operation
from Macquarie, and donated every cent to a good cause. I guess
it depends how you word the request - rather than the demand...

Derek
aa5bt

11788. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-09 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11788

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 09 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 313 Issued at 2200Z on 09 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 08/2100Z
to 09/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1030 (N24W48) is
now a Bxo-beta group with four spots observed. No flares were
observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 08/2100Z to 09/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (10-12 November).
III. Event Probabilities 10 Nov-12 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 09 Nov 072
Predicted 10 Nov-12 Nov 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 09 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 08 Nov 004/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 09 Nov 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 10 Nov-12 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 10 Nov-12 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11789. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 00:20:40 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11774 Message: 11789

Some questions come to mind. Is there a Mozambique School charity? Does
the money he collects really go there? & if so, how much?
Sri guys, but I'm from Los Angeles
Rene

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11790. Re: [DX-IS] QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 01:17:53 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11774 Message: 11790

Marco is not required to QSL anyone. If you don't like his terms,
work somebody else.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11791. RE: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 01:25:33 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11774 Message: 11791

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11792. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 02:14:07 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11774 Message: 11792

Rich, FAT ? HAPPY ?

O---- is going to Bankrupt US.

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II

www.6mt.com
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 02:19:35 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11774 Message: 11793

What's this 'rich, fat and happy' nonsense? I may be fat but not the other two. At least you didn't come from the outback.....
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11794. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 02:34:16 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11774 Message: 11794

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Don't get me wrong.....I shutter every time I sase to DK land.

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11795. $$$

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 02:52:50 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11795 Message: 11795

Anybody remember the days when you exchanged mailing addys in cw and then sent the guy a qsl on good faith?????? And usually got one in return..... oh well

Dale K8TS

Working on fat, poor.....

11796. Re: [DX-IS] $$$

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 03:04:41 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11795 Message: 11796

Dale - did that numerous times with SSB. That musta been at least 30 years ago.
fat, poor & ugly Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 6:52 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] $$$

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No virus found in this incoming message.
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Version: 8.5.425 / Virus Database: 270.14.57/2492 - Release Date: 11/09/09 12:11:00

11797. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 10:25:58 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11774 Message: 11797

Donation for charity is not a unique request. VK0MM, Alan, made the same type of request.

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 7:20 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

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11798. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 10:29:24 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11774 Message: 11798

No! The Liberal's in the USA Congress want to bankrupt us.

A $5 donation to a charity won't bankrupt anyone. Here in NH, USA, it cost more than $7 for a pack of cigarettes. That's significantly more than a donation to a charity.

----- Original Message -----
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 9:14 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Rich, FAT ? HAPPY ?

O---- is going to Bankrupt US.

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II

www.6mt.com
www.w5tfw.com
----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 7:25 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

I have just donated a few dollars to the Mercy Ships outfit in Benin (for my TY1MS QSOs). I think they are a worthwhile cause. I have checked out the site and feel comfortable donating to the work they are doing there.

I reckon if more of us hams got involved in that type of work, we could help a whole heap of people in Africa and other places and have some fun DXing at the same time. I would like to see more of this. We the rich, fat and happy...

If you are going to do this, then tell people up front and put the facts out there first...

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Tuesday, 10 November 2009 3:58 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

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Yahoo! Groups Links

11799. Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 10:53:59 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11774 Message: 11799

Uh huh, just like the "generator fund" Tom Christian had years ago on Pitcairn!

Art - N4PJ

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11800. Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 10:59:32 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11774 Message: 11800

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11801. No more politics here.....

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 12:27:39 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 11774 Message: 11801

Guys, quit the politics please.
Go find a political forum for your frustrations.
73
Don
N1DG

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11802. Re: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 15:56:20 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11774 Message: 11802

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From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: QSL GS Demands
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2009, 4:59 AM

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11803. QSL GS Demands

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 16:03:21 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11774 Message: 11803

LMAO !

on that NOTE,..... I am going to take a NAP !

:-)
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11804. Re: [DX-IS] $$$

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 16:33:38 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11795 Message: 11804

Ask anybody I worked from rare grids on 6 meters this past summer and you might be surprised -- I sent QSLs IMMEDIATELY, or at least as soon as I got home and could get more cards out of the box, HI!

The only QSL I feel bad about is one the post office didn't treat right.

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
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-----Original Message-----
From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@comcast.net>
Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 02:52:50
To: DX-IS<DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] $$$

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Dale K8TS

Working on fat, poor.......

11805. Re: [DX-IS] $$$

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 17:29:14 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11795 Message: 11805

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11806. Re: [DX-IS] $$$

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 17:46:36 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11795 Message: 11806

I have dozens of QSL postcards that I received but it's been a long time ago - probably before postal machines and never got one destroyed.

Rene
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From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 9:29 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] $$$

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 8.5.425 / Virus Database: 270.14.59/2494 - Release Date: 11/10/09 07:38:00

11807. Re: [DX-IS] $$$

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 19:32:32 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11795 Message: 11807

I didn't send as postcards MUCH -- maybe a couple as an experiment. Figured I didn't like doing it that way.

Earl

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Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 11:29:14
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11808. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11808

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 10 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 314 Issued at 2200Z on 10 Nov 2009
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to 10/2100Z: Solar activity was very low for the past 24 hours.
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spots. No flares were observed.
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IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 09/2100Z to 10/2100Z:
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IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
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III. Event Probabilities 11 Nov-13 Nov
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Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 10 Nov 073
Predicted 11 Nov-13 Nov 072/072/073
90 Day Mean 10 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 09 Nov 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 10 Nov 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 11 Nov-13 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 11 Nov-13 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11809. Ham Radio?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-10 22:25:25 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11809 Message: 11809

Not DX, but about Ham Radio....

http://www.gocomics.com/boundandgagged/2009/11/10/

and after all discussion on DX QSLs and $$$ we need a laugh...

Best regards,

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(309-662-0604)
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glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

11810. Re: [DX-IS] Ham Radio?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 00:01:46 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11809 Message: 11810

:-)

AND ... SFI numbers are coming up again ... thanks for working your magic Paul, VE1DX.

DD W1MCE

----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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Subject: [DX-IS] Ham Radio?

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11811. Re: [DX-IS] Ham Radio?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 00:04:45 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11809 Message: 11811

YEA ! come on sunspots !

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----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 6:01 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ham Radio?

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11812. Good Hunting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 00:44:11 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11812 Message: 11812

well I am pleased, I got HONG KONG & SOUTH KOREA on 17 meters today for 2 NEW ones.....
thats 224. and about 187 on 17 meters. I am doing my Best, to keep Bill Moore, Busy.

Joey

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II
www.w5tfw.com
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Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !

John Wayne

11813. Re: [DX-IS] Good Hunting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 02:02:28 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11812 Message: 11813

Joey,
I wonder if you could share some details about those two QSOs?
I need both of those - and 17m is one of my better bands.
Have you heard them more than once or was this just a great lucky day
for you?

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11814. Good Hunting

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 02:08:37 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11812 Message: 11814

Frank,

This was the first time I have heard either of them on 17 meters, its my
fav also,
I am there pretty much all the time unless I am sleeping.

the S Korean was prety strong Hong Kong was that special call and kinda
hard to copy both were about 600 PM,..... today.

I hope this helps.

Joey

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Frank T Brady" <franktbrady@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 8:02 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Good Hunting

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11815. 12 meters in Norway

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 02:53:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11815 Message: 11815

I see that hams in Norway were just granted some additional frequencies, including a secondary allocation at 24.740 to 24.890. Now here is my question-will there be any DX there for them to work? Does anyone know of any other countries that have 12m allocations below 24.890?

73s John AA5JG

11816. TX3A on LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 12:39:35 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11816 Message: 11816

Sometime during the night, the two-man team on Chesterfield Island uploaded their logs to Logbook of the World!

These guys are amazing.

Neither of them have much experience with RTTY, but they lugged along the necessary hardware and promised they would try. And try they have. The RTTY QSOs have apparently not yet been uploaded and apparently are not yet in the log search on their web site (www.tx3a.com), but everything else was uploaded.

They were on briefly yesterday on 17M SSB. Sometime around midnight UTC they said QRX for 5 minutes. That five minutes turned into well over an hour before I gave up. That was the first time I think they had been on SSB. I was concerned for their welfare - VK7XX was booming in on 17 around the same time - but the fact they uploaded logs indicated all was probably just fine.

They've been battling a lot of wind and unruly birds. They're using a lot of wire antennas and the wind and the birds keep taking the wire down.

A heck of a job in the middle of nowhere for just two guys!

Art - N4PJ

11817. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 22:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11817

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 10 2301 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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#
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:::::::::: Corrected Copy ::::::::::::::::::::::
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A. Middle Latitudes
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Minor storm 01/01/01
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11818. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-11 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11818

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 11 2200 UTC
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IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
to 11/2100Z: Solar activity was very low for the past 24 hours.
Region 1030 (N24W79) is now an Axx-alpha group with 1 spot. No
flares have been observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low for the next two days (12-13 November). On day three, 14
November, old Region 1029 is expected to rotate back onto the
visible disk with a slight chance of increased activity.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet for the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain quiet for the next three days (12-14 November).
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Predicted 12 Nov-14 Nov 072/072/073
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Predicted Afr/Ap 12 Nov-14 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
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Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11819. RE: [DX-IS] TX3A on LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 03:13:07 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11816 Message: 11819

Yes Art, I concur with your comments here, what an amazing job these two guys are doing in such adverse conditions and there is just two of them!

I was so surprised when they showed up on SSB and RTTY yesterday and on 20/17m!

So I guess they have responded to any criticism and added the LOTW confirmation to boot!

Not only that, they are there for two more weeks. So keep at 'em!

Good luck guys,

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Wednesday, 11 November 2009 8:40 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] TX3A on LotW

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Yahoo! Groups Links

11820. UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 15:52:53 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11820 Message: 11820

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Also saw a post:

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I guess one can only cross one's fingers!

Art - N4PJ

11821. RE: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 16:29:02 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11820 Message: 11821

I could understand it, begrudgingly, if it was a full moon. But it isn't.
I also saw those spots. I don't believe a word of it.

I also heard CN34MV chased off 20M CW by a couple of Europeans who
terrorized his frequency and would not allow him to make any QSOs. There
was swearing and catcalls and it was very, very messy. And this was on CW.
CW of all modes!!! Where the hell are we going?

This kind of behaviour makes me very sad and embarrassed to be a ham radio
operator. More and more I see civility going down the drain -- not only on
the ham bands but on the highways and streets, in stores when I want to buy
something, people pushing their way into lines at the grocery store, etc.

And I do not write it off, as some do, because there's a lack of sunspots.
People aren't just frustrated, they're becoming monsters. Is it the water?

73

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11822. my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 16:32:16 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11822 Message: 11822

well,

I have my very own horror story to tell now, Thanks to the USPS.

I went this morning to the USPS office in Magnolia Ms. to exchange 1 IRC because it is about to expire. I was TOLD that they didnt have a clue what to do with one & that the USPS no longer carries them and they are NOW invalid.
the POSTMASTER then called MCcomb after I insisted,..... SAME thing !

then they CALLED JACKSON MISS ,..... the MAIN OFFICE and got the same thing ! I am just sitting shaking my Head,..... I told them all politely that they were wrong and needed to READ there own manuals. I then offered to go HOME and pull up the information on there WEB SITE,..... and bring it back to them.
they told me that they DO not handle IRC's.....

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II

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11823. Re: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 16:33:33 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11820 Message: 11823

18.144.20

TRY this ! it sounds LIKE a ZOO !

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II

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Art - N4PJ

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11824. RE: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 16:39:27 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11820 Message: 11824

What's ..."happened"... with TX3A ??

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: aburkefl@...
> Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 15:52:53 +0000
> Subject: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea
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11825. Re: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 16:42:26 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11820 Message: 11825

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73, Zack W9SZ

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> Al, VE1AL
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> aburkefl
> Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 11:53 AM
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11826. Re: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:02:56 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11820 Message: 11826

Zack,

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Joey

A.R.S. W5TFW
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Yahoo! Groups Links

11827. RE: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:05:23 UTC
From: kq6i
Topic: 11820 Message: 11827

"Pirate Station."?

http://www.cqdx.ru/blog/2009/11/12/p54u1iaea/

Craig
kq6i

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From: aburkefl [mailto:aburkefl@...]
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 8:53 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Yahoo! Groups Links

11828. Re: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:09:30 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11820 Message: 11828

I believe people appreciate and value their amateur licenses less today than they did in the past. Won't go into reasons why (we probably all know why) but when you don't value something as much, you probably don't fear losing it as much either, or have respect for the hobby as a whole.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 11/12/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, November 12, 2009, 11:02 AM

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Yahoo! Groups Links

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:11:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11820 Message: 11829

WFWL

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 11/12/09, kq6i <kq6i@...> wrote:

From: kq6i <kq6i@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, November 12, 2009, 11:05 AM

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Yahoo! Groups Links

11830. Re: [dxlab] P5 elimination

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:25:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11830 Message: 11830

At 01:19 PM 11/12/2009, you wrote:
>isnt there away to eliminate any reference to P5 on the cluster ? I
>am tired of looking at that stuff,
>
> Thanks, Joey
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>
> A.R.S. W5TFW
> Richard J. Fiero II
>
> www.6mt.com
> www.w5tfw.com

No.

73, Paul VE1DX (SYSOP Cluster node VE1DXI ve1dxi.no-ip.com:23)

11831. Re: [DX-IS] my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:43:37 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11822 Message: 11831

At 08:32 AM 11/12/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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The following courtesy of Michael Elliott:

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Subject: Re: [Dx-qsl] IRCs & My P.O.
To: Tim Goeppinger <timgep@...>, Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
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11832. Re: [DX-IS] my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:48:10 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11822 Message: 11832

There is one postal clerk in particular here in Urbana who knows all about IRC's - how to stamp and sell them, how to redeem them.

In fact, when I go there for stamps and I'm at her window she asks me if I want some IRC's today. Probably because I've purchased so many in the past from her. Maybe I'm just lucky. I hope she stays around a while.

73, Zack W9SZ

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11833. Re: [DX-IS] my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 17:47:49 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11822 Message: 11833

Joey,
Here's your possible solution to the IRC debaucle:
The Honorable John E. Potter
Postmaster General
U.S. Postal Service
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
Washington, DC 20260-0010
E-mail: pmgceo@...

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----- Original Message -----
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 8:32 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] my POST OFFICE & IRC's

well,

I have my very own horror story to tell now, Thanks to the USPS.

I went this morning to the USPS office in Magnolia Ms. to exchange 1 IRC because it is about to expire. I was TOLD that they didnt have a clue what to do with one & that the USPS no longer carries them and they are NOW invalid.
the POSTMASTER then called MCcomb after I insisted,..... SAME thing !

then they CALLED JACKSON MISS ,..... the MAIN OFFICE and got the same thing ! I am just sitting shaking my Head,..... I told them all politely that they were wrong and needed to READ there own manuals. I then offered to go HOME and pull up the information on there WEB SITE,..... and bring it back to them.
they told me that they DO not handle IRC's.....

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II

11834. Re: [DX-IS] my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 18:03:48 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11822 Message: 11834

I did that, THEY said they CANT help me & gave me a # to consumer affairs.

I am calling them next.

A.R.S. W5TFW
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11835. ACTION !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 18:16:24 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11835 Message: 11835

I contacted the Consumer affairs division which is a STEP above the USPS !
the lady I spoke to asked me to give her a few days and that I would be able to BUY & redeem IRC's at my local post office very soon ! she apologized for there lack of knowledge on the subject and promised me results SOON !

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11836. Re: [DX-IS] ACTION !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 18:21:02 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11835 Message: 11836

I still think my solution is good - go right to the top and then work your way back down. I would send the postmaster general an email with Cc: to your congressperson, senator (not Nasty P), US attorney general and any other high ranking person and then you can sit back and see what happens. Has worked for me several times...
Rene
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dick@...

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.707 / Virus Database: 270.14.61/2498 - Release Date: 11/11/09 23:38:00

11837. Re: [DX-IS] ACTION !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 18:32:44 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11835 Message: 11837

&^%$ runs downhill !

LMAO ! YES I like that and I think I shall do just that ! BUT I will give this Lady a chance to do what she says she can do then,..... Ill contact the Postmaster.

Its just another sign of the times, no one REALLY cares enough to actualy KNOW how to do there JOB anymore,..... they just want a Paycheck.

Joey

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Richard J. Fiero II

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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
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11838. Re: [DX-IS] ACTION !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 18:34:29 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11835 Message: 11838

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they have already ordered my IRCS and will KEEP them in STOCK for me from now on !

GOD ! I am impressed ! I NEVER thought YOU could get ANYWHERE with the USPS.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 18:53:02 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11835 Message: 11839

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 19:03:28 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11835 Message: 11840

I ONLY send IRC's to RUSSIA,..... & S America..... its been my experience that CASH never makes it in those areas.

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11841. Re: [DX-IS] ACTION !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 19:35:18 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11835 Message: 11841

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 19:40:49 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11835 Message: 11842

ha ha ha ,.............. I guess you are RIGHT ! :-)

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Earl Needham" <earl.kd5xb@...>
To: "DX-IS" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 1:35 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ACTION !

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11843. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11843

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 12 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 316 Issued at 2200Z on 12 Nov 2009
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III. Event Probabilities 13 Nov-15 Nov
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Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 12 Nov 073
Predicted 13 Nov-15 Nov 073/074/075
90 Day Mean 12 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 11 Nov 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 12 Nov 001/001
Predicted Afr/Ap 13 Nov-15 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 Nov-15 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11844. ARLD045 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 22:39:06 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 6934 Message: 11844

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TUNISIA, 3V. Alex, GM0DHZ will be here beginning November 16 for five weeks. He plans to operate using CW from the 3V8SS club station during the weekends. QSL via operator's instructions.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Eric, F6ICX will be QRV as 5R8IC from St. Marie Island, IOTA AF-090, from November 17 to December 15. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

SAMOA, 5W. A group of operators are QRV as 5W0AP, 5W0CF, 5W0WL, 5W0IW and 5W0JC from Upolu, IOTA OC-097, until November 18. Activity is on 160 to 17 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via operators' instructions.

GHANA, 9G. A group of operators are QRV as 9G5TT from Busua Beach in western Ghana until November 27. This includes activity as 9G5XX from Abokwa Island, IOTA AF-084. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters, with 20 meters only on Abokwa Island. QSL direct via I2YSB.

ANGOLA, D2. Paulo, CT1ITZ is QRV as D2CQ from Porto Amboimi until November 29. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB. QSL via CT1IUA.

COMORO ISLANDS, D6. Sam, F6AML, will be QRV as D68F from November 13 to 23. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Henrik, OZ6TL is QSL as E51TLA from Rarotonga, IOTA OC-013, until November 24. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands. Of late he has been active on 20 meters

using RTTY. QSL to home call.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Members of the Teide DX Group will be QRV as EF8BFH on Tenerife Island, IOTA AF-004, from the Punta del Hidalgo Lighthouse, ARLHS CAI-035, on November 14 and 15 in celebration of the lighthouse's 15 years of operation. Activity will be on the HF bands, including 6 and 2 meters and 70 cm, using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via EA8NQ.

MOLDOVA, ER. In celebration of 650 years since Moldova became an independent principality in 1359, special event stations ER650M and ER650MD are QRV until the end of November. QSL ER650M via ER1DA and ER650MD via ER4DX.

ITALY, I. Special event station II0TRM is active in commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the Morse Code receiving speed record of Theodore R. McElroy, W1JYN. QSL via bureau.

ANTARCTICA. Bill, K7MT will be QRV as KC4USV from McMurdo Base, IOTA AN-011, from November 15 to February 20. Activity is mainly on 20 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via K1IED.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PC60TROLLEY will be QRV from November 17 to December 15 in celebration of the 60th anniversary of trolley buses in Arnhem. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via PA0FAW.

BRAZIL, PY. A group of operators are QRV as PW6C from Coroa Vermelha, IOTA SA-062, until November 16. QSL via K9AJ.

PALAU, T8. Jun, JJ1BMB is QRV as T88AA until November 22. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB in his spare time. QSL to home call.

BRUNEI, V8. Hans, SM3TLG will be QRV as V88/home call from November 16 to 20. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, VP2V. Gerd, DL7VOG will be QRV as VP2V/home call from Anegada Island, IOTA NA-023, from November 15 to December 2. Activity is on all bands using mostly CW and RTTY. QSL to home call.

FALKLAND ISLANDS. Members of the Uruguay DX Group will be QRV from Port Stanley from November 14 to 21. They will be active as VP8BUG using CW and digital modes and VP8BUH using SSB, respectively. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via EB7DX.

SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND, VP8. Lars is QRV as VP8DIF until November 16. Lately he has been active on 30 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via DJ9ZB.

VIET NAM, XV. Retu, OH4MDY and Henry, OH3JR are QRV as XV2RZ and XV2JR, respectively, until December 7. Activity is on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL both calls direct via OH4MDY.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Iraq, YI9TM, current operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Worked All Europe RTTY DX Contest, Japan International DX Phone Contest, NCCC Sprint, Bill Windle CW QSO Party, OK/OM DX CW Contest, North American Summits On The Air, Kentucky QSO Party and the CQ-WE Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for November 16. Please see November QST, page 86, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
NNNN
/EX

11845. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-12 22:47:19 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 11845

Paul, I just want to thank you for your personal efforts and influence with King Sol in finally having him kick butt and start the production line running for those SSNs.

Knowledgable ham radio operators can really get results!

I encourage you to keep up the great work and really push King Sol's production line to achieve SFIs in the mid 80s by July.

Be careful that you don't burn your fingers. Those SSs do get mildly warm.

DD
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From: wc5m
Topic: 11822 Message: 11846

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www.wc5m.com

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> Richard J. Fiero II
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11847. Re: [DX-IS] Re: my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 01:36:06 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11822 Message: 11847

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wouldnt be a problem but he still says he refuses to order any. so I am taking a wait & see attitude.
Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: wc5m
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 7:28 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: my POST OFFICE & IRC's

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11848. Re: [DX-IS] Re: my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 01:48:02 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11822 Message: 11848

----- Original Message -----
From: "wc5m" <wc5m@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> The others don't have a clue and stare at you blankly when you ask for IRC's.
- -
Ahhhh - like Radio Shack's motto:
You have questions - we have dumb looks...

Rene

11849. Re: [DX-IS] Re: my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 01:54:17 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11822 Message: 11849

EXACTLY !

:-)

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 7:48 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: my POST OFFICE & IRC's

----- Original Message -----
From: "wc5m" <wc5m@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> The others don't have a clue and stare at you blankly when you ask for IRC's.
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11850. [425ENG] 425 Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 02:25:42 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 6155 Message: 11850

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

Dear Friends,

the latest issue (October 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in October, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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11851. Re: [DX-IS] Re: my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 03:21:49 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11822 Message: 11851

At 05:36 PM 11/12/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:

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>wouldnt be a problem but he still says he refuses to order any. so I
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Be sure to follow up with Consumer Affairs if he refuses to order
them. That kind of ignorant arrogance really makes me see red!

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11852. Re: UN in North Korea

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 12:43:54 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11820 Message: 11852

There were a couple of comments later on the cluster:

(1) "...no one has actually reported a P5 on the frequency..."
(2) "...all the spots seem to be coming from the same IP..."

Just to be on the safe side, I tuned into that frequency. The Maritime net was going full bore. Even if a P5 *were* on the air, someone from halfway around the world wasn't going to be heard in the western hemisphere. I think everyone in that net is generally S9+ a bunch.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "kq6i" <kq6i@...> wrote:
>
> "Pirate Station."?
>
> http://www.cqdx.ru/blog/2009/11/12/p54u1iaea/
>
> Craig
> kq6i
>
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: aburkefl [mailto:aburkefl@...]
> Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 8:53 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] UN in North Korea
>
> All you-know-what is breaking loose - at least on the cluster!
>
> There was a spot for 4U1IAEA
> Another spot for P5/4U1IAEA
>
> A couple of comments are:
>
> UN in North Korea
> It's real - see 425DX (which I did - and couldn't find
> anything relevant.
>
> Also saw a post:
>
> F6EXV - very good psychiatrist needed on 7008....
>
> If the North Korea post is real (stranger things have happened) and they experience the likes of what's happened with

> TX3A, they'll never license any hams there!
>
> I guess one can only cross one's fingers!
>
> Art - N4PJ
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11853. TX3A RTTY!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 12:50:24 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11853 Message: 11853

These guys have been on 20M RTTY LP to the US in the late afternoon.
Loud in NC.

They claim to be novices at RTTY. I couldn't tell. They were running
them as fast as other DXpeditions.

Glad to get them for RTTY HR. QSL was received via LOTW within 36 hrs!

Get them while you can. Their site indicates that the food freezer on
their boat stopped working.

73 de Brian/K3KO

11854. Re: TX3A RTTY!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 13:06:06 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11853 Message: 11854

They're apparently fishing to have more food available. They seem to have freeze-dried stuff available for the trip back. If they had to rely on me to fish for them, the trip would be over!

Brave coupla guys!

Art - N4PJ

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11855. TX3A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 13:07:14 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 11853 Message: 11855

Greetings Gang:

Batta-Bing, Batta-Boom! The TX3A guys did an upload over night, and the
Q (30M) showed up in LOTW this morning.

Ain't technology wonderful?

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

11856. Re: [DX-IS] my POST OFFICE & IRC's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 13:47:26 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 11822 Message: 11856

As an update

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No they probably dont like to keep things that dont sell quickly or slow in their inventory but they are the ONLY source to deliver mail in the US and send at a reasonable rate to international countries.

Enough calls to the UPS-HELP number and this is a track-able situation to be reported up the ranks ---

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Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 07:26:37 -0700 (PDT)

From: Michael W Elliott <kq0b@sbcglobal. net>

Subject: Re: [Dx-qsl] IRCs & My P.O.

To: Tim Goeppinger <timgep@yahoo. com>, Dick Flanagan
<dick@...>

Cc: dx qsl <dx-qsl@mailman. qth.net>

Tim and ALL: regarding IRCs or issues

you dont like your service or getting the run-around from a Branch or Station do the following. I did and I got action and follow-up.

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http://www.usps. com/customerserv ice/welcome. htm

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 13:53:54 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11822 Message: 11857

Thanks Michael,

I am working on them.

Joey

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11858. ARLP046 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 15:06:27 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7199 Message: 11858

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP046
ARLP046 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP46
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 46 ARLP046
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 13, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP046
ARLP046 Propagation de K7RA

Sunspot region 1029 disappeared after October 30, but not because it faded away. It was transiting over our Sun's western horizon on its trip around the back side. Six days after it was gone a new region 1030 appeared for several days, November 5-7. On November 8 region 1030 had faded away and seemed like other weak spots we've seen over the past couple of years, except they appeared for one day with a sunspot number of 11. Sunspot region 1030 ran for three days with sunspot numbers of 15, 16 and 11. But then on November 9 the sunspot region re-emerged, with sunspot numbers of 14, 13, 11 and 11 through November 12.

While 1030 is passing over the western limb, we can still see sunspot region 1029 transiting the far side of our local star, and now it is approaching the eastern horizon. A short time ago this observation would have been impossible, but with the STEREO mission (see http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/) our total vision of the Sun now approaches 85%.

Old region 1029 appears as a bright area of magnetic disturbance, and we can't actually determine what the sunspot number or the total area of the region might be, but it still appears to have a large and robust magnetic signature.

The 45-day Air Force and NOAA Ap and flux forecast gives us some clue about the dates it may emerge into view, and when it is most directly facing Earth.

Predicted solar flux is 73 for November 13, 74 on November 14, 75 on November 15-21, and 80 for November 22-24. After that the forecast shows it declining to 75, 72 and 70. This suggests it might reach the most geoeffective position, that is, the position where it is near the Sun's central meridian relative to the Earth, around November 22-24.

Conditions have been good, with continued weak or missing solar wind, and very quiet geomagnetic indicators. As noted in previous weeks, a check of geomagnetic data at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt shows day after day with K index values at 0, which is as low as it can go. During past times and previous cycles, it was common to see a constant K index of 3, and A index of 12-15 for mid-latitudes. Note at the bottom of our bulletin that the average daily mid-latitude A index for the past week was less than 1!

That same NOAA and Air Force prediction shows a low planetary A index of only 5 for November 13-18, 8 on November 19-20, 6 on November 21, and back to 5 again for November 22 and onward. Geophysical Institute Prague for November 13-19 predicts quiet November 13-14, quiet to unsettled November 15, and quiet again November 16-19.

Bernie Mitchell, KD8KEO of Wayne, Michigan says he is a new amateur radio operator (about 9 months) and had good luck on 40 meters with the Nightwatch Net in the evening, but around the end of October after 0000 UTC he noted signals seemed weak.

He didn't say where the other stations are, but running some numbers through a propagation program -- such as W6ELprop -- shows quite a seasonal variation between the end of October and two months earlier, when using targets such as the center of the continental United States, or Atlanta, for example. But looking west, the propagation is better on 40 meters. Using California as a target, about 2000 miles away, propagation seems to be good day and night in August or October, whether we have sunspot activity or not.

Atlanta is only about 600 miles from Bernie, and 40 meters seems to need a longer path at this time of year, and also note that signals to the west have sunlight over the path much later in the day.

Willis Cooke, K5EWJ wrote in with a comment about backscatter. He writes, "I read with interest about the QSO between W5ZIT and AE5PW on 10/30/09."

He continues, "On 11/02/09 I found HL3ERJ at 5x7 on 17 meters SSB at 2311 UTC. I gave him a quick call in the pile and received a prompt answer with a 4x4 report. Many others across the western US were calling but he could not hear them. W5/VK2ACM came on and announced that he was in Louisiana and was the only other station to work Choi (HL3ERJ) while I was listening. A California station asked Clint (W5/VK2ACM) to QSY up and I followed. I found that Clint was 5x9 with my beam pointed toward Korea, but disappeared when I pointed it at about 17 degrees toward Shreveport (where Clint was), 229 miles to the North. After the California station finished, I called Clint and we talked for about 5 minutes before he disappeared during one of my short transmissions. An email to Clint confirmed that he had not moved his beam from the NW and I had dropped out suddenly."

He goes on to say, "This is what I think is an E layer Ion Cloud lying over the NW US and back scatter. W5ZIT with a fixed pattern antenna would not be able to detect his path. We see this fairly often on ten meters where it is often the only mode of propagation available. It is also present on lower frequencies, but is sometimes masked by F layer propagation so the only clues are shorter than normal propagation to nearby stations. Actually, I think it is not really short when the signal bounces off a cloud 1 or 2 thousand miles away to return to Earth 1 or 2 hundred miles away. Usually back scatter signals are not so strong, but sometimes they are."

Thanks, Willis!

Jon Jones, N0JK of Wichita, Kansas dropped a short line about 10 meters in the CQ Worldwide SSB DX Contest. On Saturday afternoon, October 24, HT2N in Nicaragua and several Brazilian stations were very loud. Using 10 watts on 10 meter SSB into a shortened mag-mount CB whip on the roof of his car, he worked HT2N and PY5KD around 2100 UTC while driving around and listening.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for November 5 through 11 were 15, 16, 11, 0, 14, 13, and 11 with a mean of 11.4. 10.7 cm flux was 70.5, 70.9, 70.6, 70.9, 72.1, 72.8, and 72.4 with a mean of 71.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 0, 1, 6, 4, 1 and 1 with a mean of 2. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 0, 0, 4, 2, 0 and 0 with a mean of 0.86.
NNNN
/EX

11859. [425ENG] 425 DX News #967

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 15:59:44 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11859 Message: 11859

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3W - Retu, OH4MDY and Henry, OH3JR will be active from Vietnam as XV2RZ and XV2JR respectively until 7 December. They operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands. QSL for both calls via OH4MDY (direct only). [TNX The Daily DX]
5R - Eric, F6ICX will operate only CW on 80-10 metres as 5R8IC from Sainte-Marie Island (AF-090), Madagascar from 17 November to 14 December. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX F6GCP]
6W - Tom, GM4FDM and Ronald, PA3EWP will be active as 6W/GM4FDM and 6W/PA3EWP from Senegal from 26 January to 9 February. They plan to concentrate on the low bands and RTTY, with an emphasis on North America and Japan. QSL 6W/GM4FDM via home call, QSL 6W/PA3EWP via PA7FM. Tom will upload his logs on LoTW, during the operation or as soon as he arrives home. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
T7 - Aurelio, IZ0EGM will operate SSB and CW as T70A during the ARRL 10 Meter Contest (12-13 December) from the radio club of San Marino's IARU Society. QSL information on qrz.com [TNX IZ0EGM]
8P - Brian, ND3F will be active as 8P9SS from Barbados (NA-021) from 22 November to 2 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
A4 - Celebrating Oman's Nationald Day, the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society will be running special event station A43ND until 25 November on various bands and modes. QSL via A47RS. [TNX A41MA]
C9 - Igor, UY5LW will be active as C91LW from Maputo, Mozambique from 13 November to 3 December. He will operate CW with some RTTY and PSK on 80-12 metres, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. Activity on 160 metres will depend on local situation. QSL direct to UY5LW. Logsearch and further information can be found at http://www.c91lw.dxer.com.ua [TNX UR4LRQ]
CE - Alain, F6BFH and Marco, CE6TBN [425DXN 966] plan to be active from IOTA group SA-085 on 15 November. Look for activity on 20, 17 and 15 metres CW and SSB. [TNX F5NQL]
CE0Y - Roberto, YV5IAL will be active as CE0/YV5IAL from Easter Island (SA-001) on 8-11 January. This will be a QRP, portable, holiday

style operation, with PSK31 activity on 14070.15 kHz from 22 to 1 UTC, and occasionally on 40, 30 and 15 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX YV5GRB]
CT9 - DJ2YA, DJ6QT, DL1CW, DL5AXX and SV1RP will be active as CT9/ homecall from Madeira (AF-014) from 24 November to 3 December, including a M/2 entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as CR3L (QSL via DJ6QT). [TNX SV1RP]
D2 - D2CQ is the newly issued callsign that Paulo, CT1ITZ (ex D2PJB) [425DXN 966] will be using from Angola until 29 November. QSL via CT1IUA. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
DU - Jouko, DU/OH1RX will be active from Manila during the LZ DX Contest (http://lzdx.bfra.org/) on 21-22 November. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (preferred). [TNX OH1RX]
EA8 - The Teide DX Group will be active as EF8BFH from Punta del Hidalgo Lighthouse on Tenerife, Canary Islands on 14-15 November. They will be active on the HF bands, 6 and 2 metres and on 70 cm, using SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via EA8NQ, direct o via bureau. [TNX EA8NQ]
F - Special station TM5TUR will be promoting amateur radio during the Science Week at the Turgot Secondary School in Limoges on 16-20 November. QSL via F6KTW. [TNX F8REF]
FG - Serge, F6AUS will be active as FG/F6AUS and TO4D (in contest) from La Desirade, Guadeloupe (NA-102) until March. [TNX F6AUS]
FK - JA1NLX will be active as FK/JA1NLX from Ouvea Island (OC-033), New Caledonia on 19-23 November. He plans to operate CW and RTTY on 40-10 metres, and possibily on 80m as well, with 100 watts and a vertical antenna. QSL via JA1NLX direct, bureau or LoTW. Further information and log search at http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/fk_2009.html [TNX NG3K]
HB9 - Special event station 4U1AIDS will be active from UNAIDS (the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS) headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland on 1-7 December to encourage amateur radio operators to participate in the World AIDS Day. Started on 1 December 1988, the aim of World AIDS Day is to raise money, increase awareness, fight prejudice and improve education. QSL to Andrey Fedorov, UNAIDS, 20 Avenue Appia, CH-1211 Geneva 27, Switzerland. Further information on this event can be found at [http://www.DX-World.com/4u1aids]
HL - DS2AGH and others will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as 6M0HZ/2 from Kanghwa Island (AS-105). QSL via DS2AGH. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
I - COTA (Carabinieri on the Air) members will be active as IQ6CC on 20-22 November to celebrate Saint Mary "Virgo Fidelis", patron saint of the Carabinieri, the Italian military police. QSL via IW6DSM, direct or bureau. [TNX I6YOT]
I - Tony/IK1QBT, Claudio/I1NVU and Emilio/IZ1GAR will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as IG9X (SOSB 15m), IG9U (SOSB 80m) and IG9W (SOSB 40m) respectively. Outside the contest, between 22 November to 1 December, they will operate as IG9/homecall with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home calls. [TNX IK1QBT]

JA - Takeshi, JI3DST will be active as either JS6RRR and JI3DST/JS6 from the Miyako Islands (AS-079) on 21-30 November, including activity during the CQ WW DX CW Contest. His main QTH will be on Miyako-jima (JIIA AS-079-005), but he also plans to go and operate from Ikema-jima (AS-079-001) and Kurima-jima (AS-079-003). QSL via bureau only. [TNX JI3DST]
P2 - Bad weather has forced Hans, SM6CVX (P29VCX) to cancel his planned operation from Hastings Island (OC-117). He is now active from Normandby Island (OC-116) until 01.00 UTC on 14 November. The trip to Loloata (OC-240) is still on his agenda. QSL via SM6CVX. [TNX IZ1CRR]
PA - The only trolleybus system in operation in the Netherlands is in the city of Arnhem, which adopted it sixty years ago. Special callsign PC60TROLLEY will be aired from 17 November to 15 December. QSL via PA0FAW. [TNX F5NQL]
PA - Special event callsign PD450OBL will be in use from 24 November through 20 December to celebrate the 450th anniversary of the Dutch village of Oud-Beijerland. QSL via PD0LDC. [TNX PD0LDC]
PJ4 - Hennie, PE1MAE will be active as PJ4/PE1MAE from Bonaire (SA-006) until 1 December. He operates SSB mainly on 80 and 40 metres. QSL via PA2NJC. [TNX PA2NJC]
T8 - Jun, JJ1BMB will be active as T88AA from Palau until 22 November. He operates SSB only on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JE1LFX]
TT - Jovica, E78A has been in Chad since 25 September, and has had his TT8JT renewed. He will be active from Abeche during the next three or four weeks. He operates CW during his spare time, as he is working for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Activity during the CQ WW DX CW Contest is not confirmed at this moment. QSL via E73Y, direct or bureau. [TNX E73Y]
V3 - Alex, KU1CW will be active as V31CW from Belize from 23 November to 2 December. He will operate CW only, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. His wife Natasha will be active as V31YL, SSB only prior and after the contest. QSL via LoTW (preferred) or via KU1CW. [TNX KU1CW]
V8 - Hans, SM3TLG will be active as V88/SM3TLG from Brunei (OC-088) on 15-19 November. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
VE - Mike, W7ASF will be active as VY2/W7ASF from Prince Edward Island (NA-029) on 18-24 November, including an entry in the ARRL SSB Sweepstakes (21-23 November). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
VP2V - Look for Gerd, VP2V/DL7VOG to be active from Anegada, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) from 15 November to 2 December. He will operate CW and RTTY on all bands, including activity during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (hopefully under a shorter VP2V callsign). QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX DX Newsletter]
VU_ant - Bhagwati Prasad Semwal, VU3BPZ will be part of the 29th Indian Antarctic Expedition, between mid-November and March 2011. He will be located at Maitri Base and will operate mainly on 20 metres SSB as AT10BP. QSL direct to the qrz.com address. [TNX

http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
XE - XE3N, XE3PP, XE2WK and XE3RR will be active as XF3RR from Isla El Cerrito (NA-153) on 10-14 December. Organized by the Radio Club Cancun, this will be a low scale operation as the island is a protected area. Suggested frequencies are 3790, 7060, 14260, 18140 and 21260 kHz (SSB); 3585, 7044, 10104, 14085, 18104 and 21085 kHz (RTTY). IOTA group NA-153 was activated for the first and only time back in 1994. QSL via EB7DX.
XU - Wim, XU7TZG (XU7KOH) will be active from Koh Russei (AS-133) on 13-16 November. He plans to operate SSB (14260, 18128 and 21260 kHz) and PSK31 (14040, 18100 and 21080 kHz). QSL via ON7PP. [TNX ON7PP]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (October 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba @ iz3eba.it)

DXCC NEWS ---> YI9TM (current operation from Iraq) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

LOGS ---> On-line logs for the recent Pacific tour by YT1AD and YU1DW (3D2AD, 3D2DW, 5W0DW, 5W7A, KH8/N9YU, T30AW and T30M) can be found at http://www.YT1AD.info/t31 [TNX YT3W]

LOGS ---> The on-line log for DU1/G0SHN's activity from Manila (June 2009 to present) is at http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php. Gerard will be back home around 20 November, and will return to the Philippines in February 2010. He plans to have a new antenna for him to use while visiting other DU islands. [TNX F6AJA]

LOGS ---> A logsearch for T6AG is available at http://t6ag.nra.pt/ (2098 QSOs logged up to 9 November at 19.37 UTC).

+ SILENT KEYS + We are close in thoughts and prayers to Ake Broman, SM4EAC who lost his wife Margret, SM4PUR on 25 October. "She was a keen DXer", Ake says, "and had only two more countries to go to get them all".
Other recently reported Silent Keys include Bruce A. Makas (K1MY), Alexander Dobrev (LZ1XP), Oleg V. Abramov (RU6BN), Boris N. Alekseev (U5UF), Vladimir I. Bashmakov (UA1OV) and Viktor F. Eryukin (UA3RG).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3XM6JR, 4L0B, 4L5O, 5B4AIF, 5W5LP, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 6W/PD9DX, 7O1YGF, 8P9NX, 9J2VB, 9V1VV, A25VB, BX4AD, CO8DM, CO8LY, DP1POL, EJ1DD (EU-121), EK6LP, EL2DX, HB0/HB9AON, HV50VR,

J6/WB4WXE, J79ZG, K5D, K9AJ/VY0 (NA-185), KD6WW/VY0 (NA-185), KL5O, OX2A,
OX3XR, OY3AA, PJ5/AH6HY, PZ5Z, RI1OP, ST2VB, T77NM, TA3D, TL0A, TU2/F5JJW,
V51AS, V51VV, V55SRT, VC8B, VK9DWX, VO1MP, VP5DX, VU2PAI, VU7NRO, XU7TZG,
XU7XXX, YB1AQB, YS1MAE, Z2/UA4WHX, Z29KM, ZB3B, ZD7FT, ZD9CR, ZK2V.

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11860. [425ENG] 425 DX News #967 [Calendar]

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Topic: 11860 Message: 11860

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11861. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-13 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11861

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 13 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 317 Issued at 2200Z on 13 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low for the past 24 hours.
Region 1030 (N23W105) rotated off the visible disk. No flares were
observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low to low for the next 3 days (14-16 November) due to old
Region 1029 rotating back on the visible disk.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been at quiet levels for the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at quiet levels for the next two days (14-15
November). Day three (16 November) is expected to be mostly quiet
with a slight chance of an unsettled period due to a weak coronal
hole high-speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 14 Nov-16 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Nov 074
Predicted 14 Nov-16 Nov 074/075/075
90 Day Mean 13 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Nov 000/001
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Predicted Afr/Ap 14 Nov-16 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 Nov-16 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11862. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-14 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11862

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 318 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Old Region 1029 rotated
onto the visible disk.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was predominantly quiet. An isolated unsettled
period was observed at mid-latitudes between 14/0900-1200Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (15-17
November).
III. Event Probabilities 15 Nov-17 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 Nov 075
Predicted 15 Nov-17 Nov 075/075/077
90 Day Mean 14 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 13 Nov 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 14 Nov 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 15 Nov-17 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 15 Nov-17 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11863. Re: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A RTTY!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 14:13:07 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11853 Message: 11863

For just two guys, they (TX3A) are doing one hell of a great gob. I wish they would come up to the higher frequencies, but their plan was for 40/80/160. Considering the length of time they will be on the island, they may top some of the big DXpeditions in contacts.

Seems the XV4D group is having a problem with NA contact. About this time they are probably looking at their stats and wondering what happened. They have great operators, but not so great conditions.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2009 7:06 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: TX3A RTTY!

They're apparently fishing to have more food available. They seem to have freeze-dried stuff available for the trip back. If they had to rely on me to fish for them, the trip would be over!

Brave coupla guys!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:
>
> These guys have been on 20M RTTY LP to the US in the late afternoon.
> Loud in NC.
>
> They claim to be novices at RTTY. I couldn't tell. They were running
> them as fast as other DXpeditions.
>
> Glad to get them for RTTY HR. QSL was received via LOTW within 36 hrs!
>
> Get them while you can. Their site indicates that the food freezer on
> their boat stopped working.
>
> 73 de Brian/K3KO
>

11864. T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 14:23:16 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11864 Message: 11864

Anybody have luck getting his QSL?
Two tries since 2006 via direct + SAE + GS's have failed.

QRZ.COM and other sources have the address I used.

73 de Brian/K3KO

11865. S.E.S LA SAGRADA FAMÍLIA SPEAKS TO THE WORLD

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 16:20:08 UTC
From: ARMIC EA3RKR ONCE
Topic: 11865 Message: 11865

"La Sagrada Familia Speaks to the World ARMIC 30 YEARS 30 ACTIVITIES"

For days 12 and 13 December, the radio club ARMIC EA3RKR organized, along with the Construction Board Expiatori Temple of the Sagrada Familia in Barcelona, a very interesting day radio.

It is the first time you install a ham radio station in the grounds of the Temple and the program of activities includes lectures, demonstrations of amateur radio contacts, radio drawing material donated by businesses and local distributors and a number of events with special attention to children and youth.

The Paring will be disseminated by media Onda Cero devote a specific species to the event and on Radio 4, National Radio of Spain in Barcelona in L'Altra Ràdio program. The station, which will use a special indication for which it has designed a special QSL for the occasion, will operate on HF and V-UHF and installed in what was the former School of the Sagrada Familia, a building adjacent to the temple, designed by Gaudi and is a fine example of simplicity and functionality.
The original school building was destroyed during the Civil War and was rebuilt faithfully following the original design. Its function is now a museum.

Throughout the weekend and nights a group of players arrived specially from different points, will be responsible for putting in the air with a special callsign different seasons in multiple bands and modes of transmission.

For 30 years are not met daily, has prepared an activity full of surprises and without precedent, as one of the main activities of the tour 30 years 30 ACTIVITIES ARMIC S, because we want to celebrate this event with those who really have made this possible, ie all of you who in different ways have worked and supported so that it can be reality.

A weekend of what most everyone likes, radio, celebrating with each and every one of you this important milestone, 30 years of ham radio, for 30 years and on the radio!

More info soon .....

Are you going to lose? ...

Facebook is already available in the group of the event, looking at the Facebook event finder "La Sagrada Família Parla al Món" and join.

73's

ARMIC ONCE - EA3RKR
EDIFICIO ONCE CATALUÑA
C/ SEPULVEDA, 1
08015 BARCELONA

11866. RE: [DX-IS] T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 16:52:53 UTC
From: Dick Williams
Topic: 11864 Message: 11866
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Brian,

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Good luck, and at least there are other stations to work over there!!

Dick K8ZTT

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Brian Alsop
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2009 7:23 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] T99C

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Two tries since 2006 via direct + SAE + GS's have failed.

QRZ.COM and other sources have the address I used.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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The message was checked by ESET NOD32 Antivirus.

http://www.eset.com

11867. Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 16:57:48 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11864 Message: 11867

Brian
Bureau doesn't seem to work either. 4QSL requests outstanding since 2004. and again in 2006. Have filled them in with other contacts at this point.
Bob KB1JZU

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11868. Re: [DX-IS] T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 17:03:28 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11864 Message: 11868

Cute 'little' images(?)
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----- Original Message -----
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.707 / Virus Database: 270.14.66/2504 - Release Date: 11/14/09 23:50:00

11869. Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 19:08:43 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11864 Message: 11869

Dick

Interesting.....Don't know what you are using for a logger but..

You might want to consider DXKeeper. In it you can flag the QSL as "expired" and it no long appears in things like a card aging report.

Bob KB1JZU

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11870. RE: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 20:05:10 UTC
From: Dick Williams
Topic: 11864 Message: 11870

Brian,

Thanks for the information on DXKeeper. I am using DXBase and as far as I know it does not have that option. When I put a date in the QSL sent column, when I do a print out of QSL's not received, it will show up until I remove the date from the QSL sent column. There is another column labeled QSL's that is propagated with No, Card, LOTW, or Both. I have found that I can leave that column as both (I upload my log to LOTW), and as long as remove the entry from the QSL sent column, the QSL's not received report will not show it. I only "discovered" that recently; before I was removing both the date and changing the entry from Both to LOTW!

I have been using DXBase to long to think about changing to another logging program!! It is hard enough to change radios these days; I was just getting use to my Orion II, and then I sold it and purchased a K3. A whole new "learning curve" again.

Dick K8ZTT

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2009 12:09 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11871. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11871

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 15 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 319 Issued at 2200Z on 15 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 14/2100Z
to 15/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. New Region 1031 (N30E20)
emerged on the disk on 14 November and was numbered today as an
Axx-alpha group with one spot.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 14/2100Z to 15/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (16-18
November).
III. Event Probabilities 16 Nov-18 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 15 Nov 075
Predicted 16 Nov-18 Nov 075/077/078
90 Day Mean 15 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 14 Nov 003/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 15 Nov 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 16 Nov-18 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 16 Nov-18 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11872. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #934

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-15 22:25:51 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11872 Message: 11872

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 934

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 934
BID: $OPDX.934
November 16, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-November, through Sunday, 15th-November there were 225 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FK/c, FM, FO, FP, FR, FT5W, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/g, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5R, MADAGASCAR (IOTA Op). Just a reminder that Eric, F6ICX, will be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) between November 17th and December 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

6V, SENEGAL. Dim, UT5UGR, will be active as 6V7R from La Somone during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UT5UGR.

6W, SENEGAL. Jacques, F6BEE, will once again be active as 6W1RW during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to F6BEE, by the Bureau or direct. Look for activity before the contest on 30/17/12 meters.

6W, SENEGAL. Operators Tom/GM4FDM and Ronald/PA3EWP are planning a DXpedition to Le Calao between January 26th and February 9th (2010). They will sign as 6W/GM4FDM and 6W/PA3EWP. Activity will be concentrated on the low bands and RTTY, with an emphasis on North America and Japan. Tom will attempt to upload his logs on LoTW (InterNet permitting), if not, he will upload them as soon as he arrives home. QSL 6W/GM4FDM via GM4FDM. QSL 6W/PA3EWP via PA7FM.

9G, GHANA. The Italian team is now active from Busua Beach until November 27th. Look for the group to activate Abokwa Island (AF-084) with one station on 20 meters only during their stay. The time of operation on the island will be planned day by day pending the sea condition and weather forecast. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes, 80-10 meters. The callsign 9G5TT will be used from the mainland while the callsign 9G5XX will be used from Abokwa Island. Operators mentioned are: Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Carlo/IK1AOD, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT, and Donato/IZ2CHO. QSL via I2YSB, direct only. For more information and updates, go to: http://www.i2ysb.com

9G, GHANA. By the time you read this Alan, G3XAQ, will be heading to Accra and is expected to be active as 9G5XA again. He will be there until December 4th. Activity will be CW only on 160-10 meters. No word on whether he will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest, but do not count it out. QSL via G3SWH. The log will be uploaded to G3SWH's Web site upon Alan's return at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk

A3, TONGA. Paul, A35A, informs OPDX that Dave Lee, W6ZL/A35KL, has arrived in Nuku'alofa on the Island of Tongatapu (OC-049) the morning of November 11th. He will be in Tonga for about 6 weeks, but he probably won't be on the air until he gets to Ha'apai (OC-169). Pauls states, "He had no trouble clearing customs with all the radio gear and a brand-new Honda generator. Dave will remain in Nuku'alofa until the 20th, and then will fly up to Ha'apai. Tomorrow, however, he will airfreight all the gear to Lifuka Island, and the overhaul of the A35A station will then commence! The 'to do' list includes lots of antenna work, installation of additional filters in the K3, and re-wiring the shack. We're still 'on' for the CQWW CW contest."

A4, OMAN (Special Event). Members of the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society have activated special event station A43ND in celebrating Oman's "National Day". Activity will last until November 25th. Operations have been on 40/20 meters CW and 20/15 meters SSB, but look for activity on other bands and modes. QSL via A47RS.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. The LARC (Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club) in cooperation with the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) will be operating out of Dubai as A65DLH between November 23-30th. Activity is planned for all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). They will QSL via the Bureau, but if you want to QSL direct, please only use the new IRCs as they will not be ready to print and distribute QSLs by December 2009. QSL via DO7ZZ. A blog has been set up at: http://a65dlh.blogspot.com

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. With the support of the Kharkov University Contest Club (UT7L), operator Igor, UY5LW, is once again active as C91LW from Maputo until December 3rd. He has been on the air since November 13th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mostly CW with some RTTY and PSK operations. He will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity on 160 meters will depend upon his situation, however skeds are welcome at: uy5lw@...
QSL via UY5LW direct (QRZ.com). For more details, updates, logs and photos, please visit: http://www.c91lw.dxer.com.ua

CO, CUBA. Luis, CO6LP, will be active during the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power entry. He plans to use only a dipole. QSL via CO6LP.

CR6, PORTUGAL (LH Op). Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will activate CR6A from Fuzeta-Barra Lighthouse on Armona Island (East Side) on November 22nd, between 0700-1300z. Activity will be on 40-15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSO is valid for: ARLHS POR-116, DPRN FF-04, WFF CTFF-07, DIA Ai-04 and DFFA Fa-45. Operators mentioned are: CT1CQK, CT1EHX, CT1FNT, CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT1IUA, CT2GFJ, CT2HTN and CT2IHP. QSL via CT1GFK. For more info, visit: http://algarvedx.com
Pictures and an online log will be available during activity on their Web site.

D2, ANGOLA (Update). Paulo, CT1ITZ, continues to be active, but is now signing D2CQ (instead of D2PJB) from Porto Amboim, 300km from the capital Luanda, until November 29th. Activity is expected to be on 80-10 meters SSB only. However, his activity so far has been on 20 meters. He is using an Icom 706 and a Windom antenna. QSL via CT1IUA. For direct QSL, please send 2 USDs or one new IRC (ending 2013). QSLs without enough postage will go via Bureau.

D4, CAPE VERDE. Ranko,4O3A, will be active as D4C from Sao Vicente Island during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via IZ4DPV. For the latest information, check the D4C Web page at: http://www.d4c.cc

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
YI9TM - Iraq; Current Operation

* 7O1YGF REMINDER. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, states:
"This is a reminder that free update for 7O1YGF Yemen cards will expire
on December 31, 2009. Starting January 1, 2010 normal submission fees
will apply. If you are planning to submit an update for this operation
I strongly recommend that you do not wait for the last minute as mail
around the holiday season is very heavy and delays can occur. All DXCC
needs is the card and SASE, or, in LoTW do an application with just
7O1YGF and remember to select payment by mail on Part four and leave
the paper QSO number at zero on Part two."

E21, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ALL-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. JA stations
QSL via JR5XPG and all others via E21EIC. Visit Champ's Web page at:
http://www.e21eic.net

E4, PALESTINE (Update). A little more details about the upcoming E4X
operation were released this past week. Specific dates were not announced
yet, but the 2010 operation lead by Antonio, EA5RM, will have at least
3 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes.
Activity will be on 160-6 meters (including 30/17/12 meters) using CW,
SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies were announced:

BAND	CW	SSB	RTTY
160m	1824	1845	
80m	3501	3780	
40m	7004	7056/7180	7035
30m	10104	10140	
20m	14024	14195	14080
17m	18074	18145	18100
15m	21024	21295	21080
12m	24894	24945	24920
10m	28024	28495	28080
6m	50103	50103	

Some of the equipment has been listed on the E4X Web page, and the QSL
route for the operation will be via EA5RM. An interesting survey is being
taken on the Web site for bands/modes needed for this operation. The
survey is in real-time (it lists the results and your callsign). It looks
like there "may" be online logs during the operation. For updates and
possible other details, visit the E4X Web page at:
http://www.dxfriends.com/e4x/index.php

HS8, THAILAND. Wut, HS8JYX, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL
via HS8JYX, LoTW, direct or eQSL. Visit his Web page at:
http://www.hs8jyx.com

II0, ITALY (Special Event). Look for special event station II0TRM to be
active between November 16-22nd. Operations will be only CW. Suggested
frequencies are: 3563, 7025, 10115 and 14045 kHz. Operators mentioned
are Fabio/IK0IXI and other members of the Italian Naval Old Rhythmers
Club (INORC). Activity is to celebrate the World's Champion Radio Tele-

grapher T.R. McElroy (1901-1963). QSL by the Bureau or direct to IK0IXI:
Fabio Bonucci, via delle Sterlizie, 10, Civitavecchia, RM I-00053, ITALY.
For more details about Theodore R. McElroy, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/II0TRM

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-079. Take, JI3DST, will once again be active as either JS6RRR or
JI3DST/JS6 from the Miyako Islands between November 21-30th.
His activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November
28-29th). He will operate mainly from Miyako-Jima (JIIA
AS-079-005), but he may also operate from Ikema-Jima (AS-079-
001) and Kurima-Jima (AS-079-003). QSL by the Bureau only.

EU-118. (Update) RARE IOTA! Operators Oscar/EA1DR, George/EC2ADN,
Christian/EA3NT, Col/MM0NDX and Bjorn/SM0MDG are planning
a DXpedition to Flannan Isles (a extremely difficult island
to land on) between June 18□21st (2010). Callsign will be
MS0INT. Last activation was in 2002 (also in 1989 and 1995).
QSL Manager will be M0URX. More details and a Web site will
be forthcoming.

EU-125. Juergen, DL4MAQ, will be active as OZ/DL4MAQ from Roemoe
Island (DIA NS-001), in the Jylland West Group, between December
12-19th. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-153. (Update) Operators Zalo/XE3N, Jose/XE3PP, Benigno/XE2WK and
Juan/XE3RR will be active as XF3RR from Isla Cerrito between
December 10-14th. This operation is organized by the Radio
Club Cancun, and it will be a low scale operation as the
island is a protected area. QSL via EB7DX. Suggested frequencies
are:
SSB - 3790, 7060, 14260, 18140 and 21260 kHz
RTTY - 3585, 7044, 10104, 14085, 18104 and 21085 kHz

JTDX CONTESTS. Khos, JT1CD, wants to remind everyone that next weekend
is the "2009 Mongolian DX Contest (CW/SSB)", November 21-22nd. The
Mongolian Amateur Radio Society (MARS) promotes and organizes the "Mon-
golian DX Contest". MARS has the honor to invite all licensed amateurs
and SWLs throughout the world to participate the annual "Mongolian DX
Contest". For rules, go to:
http://www.harts.org.hk/Rules_JTDXContest_Eng.pdf
Also, plan to be active in the "2010 Mongolian DX Contest (RTTY)", to be
held January 9-10th. For rules, go to:
http://www.harts.org.hk/Rules_JTDXContest_Eng.pdf

JT, MONGOLIA. Members of the Mongolian Amateur Radio Society (MARS)
will be active as JT1T during the Mongolian DX Contest (CW/SSB), November
21-22nd. Operators Enkhbayar/JT1DA and Nekhiit/JT1DN will be a Multi-Op/
All-Band/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via LoTW or via the address on QRZ.com.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For November 16-22nd)....
Nov 16 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Nov 17 AN ---------------

Nov 18 HN-LN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Nov 19 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Nov 20 AN LN - Low Normal
Nov 21 AN
Nov 22 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

SPECIAL NOTE FOR VHF'ER: Lee reported that the 2009 Leonid meteor shower is expected to peak on November 17th. Look for a sprinkling of meteors over North America and a possibly an outburst over Asia. For more deatils, please refer to:
http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2009/10nov_leonids2009.htm?list35439

DISTURBANCES TO PROPAGATION (Webinar). The Potomac Valley Radio Club will be hosting a Webinar presentation by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA. The event will be held on Thursday, November 19th at 9 PM EST (November 20 - 0200z). Discussion will be on disturbances to propagation, which "may" take place during some days in Cycle 24 and (possibly!) we "may" start seeing more solar flares, radio blackouts, and geomagnetic field activity. To understand these disturbances, join K9LA as he explains them and provides real world examples tied to our amateur radio operations. The event is free and open to the amateur community. Pass the word. To register go to:
https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/681745378

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators John/K3CT and John/K3TEJ will be active as KP2/K3CT and KP2/K3TEJ, respectively, between November 24th and December 1st. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry using the callsign KP2M. Outside of the contest, their activity "usually" will have an emphasis on 160m and 30/17/12 meter bands using CW and RTTY. QSL KP2M via AI4U. QSL their KP2/homecall to their home addresses.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators Willfried/DF4PD, Detlef/DK3QZ, Joerg/DL3QQ, Kai/DL3HAH, Hans/DL1XW, Chris/DL7CS, Mike/DF3VM, Stefan/DL5XX and Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry (for the first time). QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

MZ, SCOTLAND. Ian, G3WVG, will be active as MZ5B from Eshaness, Shetland Island (EU-012, IOSA SH01, SCOTIA SI11, ARLHS SCO-075, BARLS A3838, WLH GM-026, WLOTA LH-0867, WAB HU27) during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??m) entry. QSL via LoTW or to G3TXF, direct or by the Bureau.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2010. Members of the Central Arizona DX Association are pleased to announce the officers for the year 2010:
Jim Henderson, KF7E - President
Al Koblinski, W7XA - Vice President

Bill Maynard, W7ZT - Secretary
Bill Ellis, WB9CAC - Treasurer
Jim Hoggard, K7MY - Board Member at Large, two-year term
Bob Hansen, NA7RH - Board Member at Large, one-year term
Mike Johnson, KW7V - Past President

NP3, PUERTO RICO (Special Event). Members of the Western Amateur Radio Club will activate special event station NP3M/516 this coming Thursday, November 19th, starting at 0000z to 2359z. Activity is to commemorate the 516th anniversary of the discovery of Puerto Rico. Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly PSK31. QSL via NP3M.

PACIFIC TOUR. Just a reminder that Chris, DO7AG, is expected to be in the South Pacific with his family between November and January. He plans to be active as 5W1QX from Western Samoa and A31CE from Tonga. Activity will only be on 40 and 20 meters (this is due to the type of license he has). Complete dates of activation have not been announced yet. Be listening.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION/TOUR (Update/Reminder). Operators Andrea/IK1PMR, YL Claudia/K2LEO/PA3LEO, Wil/PA0BWL, Joe/AA4NN, Franz/OE2SNL and Gerhard/DJ5IW are expected to be active from the following Pacific location between now and December 18th. The tentative schedule is as follows:
Samoa (5W) - November 11-18th; minus OE2SNL; Vaiala Beach Resort on the northern side of the Island of Upolu (OC-097);
callsigns are: 5W0AP (IK1PMR), 5W0CF (PA3LEO), 5W0WL (PA0BWL), 5W0IW (DJ5IW) and 5W0JC (DJ7JC).
Tonga (A3) - November 19th- December 1st; Otuhaka Beach Resort on the western side of the Island of Tongatapu (OC-049);
Group callsign for the CQWW DX CW Contest will be A31A;
Individual callsign are: A31MR (IK1PMR), A31LEO (PA3LEO), A31WL (PA0BWL), A31SN (OE2SNL), A31IW (DJ5IW) and A31JC (DJ7JC).
New Zealand (ZL) - December 2-5th; Waiheke Island (OC-201); Callsigns are: ZL/IK1PMR, ZL/PA3LEO, ZL/PA0BWL, ZL/OE2SNL, ZL/DJ5IW and ZL/DJ7JC.
South Cook Islands (E5) - December 5-12th; Rarotonga (OC-013); Callsigns are: E51PMR, E51LEO, E51BWL, E51SNL, E51XIW and E51NAA.
Singapore (9V) - December 15-17th; Callsigns are: 9V1/IK1PMR, 9V1/PA3LEO, 9V1/PA0BWL and 9V1/DJ7JC.

Activity is planned for 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The team will use three Elecraft K2/100 with DSP and amps. For more information and updates, watch: http://www.pacificdxpedition.com/index.php?s=intro

PW2, BRAZIL (Update/Special Event). Special event station PW2SIDC has been active from several Brazilian states since October 22nd, and will be on the air until November 30th (not the 22nd as first announced and also no activity from Fernando de Noronha Island). Activity is in celebration of V DEFENCIL - V International Conference of Civil Defense - to be held between November 17-20th, at Anhembi - Meeting & Conventions of Sao Paulo City, with the participation of RENER - National Emergency Network Amateur

Radio. Operators mentioned are: Monica/PS7YL, Ed/PS7DX, Flavio/PT2IW, Murilo/PR7AYE, Paulo Cesar/PT2PC, Alisson/PU5AAD, Angel/PT2ZUY, Junior/PY2ZA and Silva/PY8ELO. Operations have been on 40/20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via PS7YL, by the Bureau, eQSL or direct to: Monica Freitas, Av. Sao Miguel dos Caribes 31, Natal, RN 59086-500 Brazil. QSL will be sent out after November 30th, after receipt and consolidation of logs received from the various operators.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
Algarve STAR DX Team announced that the 4W6AL QSL cards have arrived from LZ3HI (printer). Direct requests will be answered very soon. All 4W6AL information can be found on: http://algarvedx.com

7X0DX & 9M8DX QSL INFO UPDATE. Tom, SP5UAF, reports: "At the begining of November 1st, received 7X0DX and 9M8DX directs unanswered by late DL4DBR. As perhaps you remember Ted, DL4DBR, passed away at the begining of 2009 and during last months of his life he was not able to deal with QSL cards (basicaly callsigns 7X0DX and 9M8DX managed by him). Ted's wife, Renia, DL3DBR, was for some time too affected by the loss to prepare the package of unanswered QSLs. She tried many times but always started to cry. She sent me the package of unanswered direct QSLs at the beginning of November. Now all of them are answered and sent to recipients. However, there is a problem with cards sent via DL4DBR via the bureau. Ted, DL4DBR, had computer records but unfortunately all data was lost. So if anyone is still waiting for a bureau card, please re-send your card via the bureau via SP5UAF or send an e-mail request to my e-mail tom.sp5uaf@... or sp5uaf@... ."

TF4X QSL ROUTE. Phil, G3SWH, informs OPDX that he has been appointed the QSL Manager for TF4X. There is already a log search facility on his Web site and any direct QSL requests already sent to TF4X will be forwarded to him.

NOT THE QSL MANAGER FOR V51AS. Steve, WB6RSE, reports that he has received another request for V51AS. Steve states, "I am NOT and never have been the QSL Manager for Frank, V51AS. He told me in 2003 that his mail is routinely pilfered. Frank's QRZ.com page now shows an address in Germany: Frank Steinhauser, Am Rosenkothen 17, 40880 Ratingen, Germany."

Acim, YT3W, informs OPDX that logs for both YT1AD and YU1DW Pacific tour are on online at: http://www.YT1AD.info/t31
The logs include: 3D2AD, 3D2DW, 5W7A, 5W0DW, KH8/N9YU, T30AW and T30M.

QSLS VIA LOTW: TX3A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: CE1KR, CO8LY, EA8AK, EK6LP, F6KMH, FT5WP/MM, GI6ATZ, K9AJ/VY0, KL5O, OX2A, OY3AA, PJ5/AH6HY, VU2PAI,

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE reported this week!

RW2, KALININGRAD. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as RW2F in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via DK4VW.

SV9, CRETE. Dimitrios, SV9COL, will be active in the CQWW CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to SV9COL.

T7, SAN MARINO. Aurelio, IZ0EGM, will be active as T70A during ARRL 10 Meter Contest between December 12-13th, using CW and SSB. QSL information is on QRZ.com.

TO4/FG, GUADELOUPE. Serge, F6AUS, will be active as FG/homecall from Les Saintes (NA-114) until March 2010. His activity will include contests, but he will be using the callsign TO4D. Look for him to possibly be on 160 and 80 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

TO5, MARTINIQUE. Albert, F5VHJ, will once again be active as TO5A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or via F5VHJ.

TT8, CHAD. Jovica, E78A (aka 6W1SJ, ex. T98A, ST0RM, ST2A), who has been in Chad since September 25th, has received his renewed TT8JT license and will be on the bands during the next three or four weeks from Abeche (GL: KK03KU). As in 2008, the main purpose of Jovica's travel to Chad is his work for United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). Activity will be mostly CW during his free time. Activity during CQWW DX CW Contest is not confirmed at this moment. QSL via E73Y: Boris Knezovic, P.O. Box 59, BA-71000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, or via E7 bureau.

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND.. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY continue to be active as TX3A until December 6th. As of print time, their log shows about 16k QSOs. Activity has be on all HF bands but with an emphasis on the lower bands. Modes used have been on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HA7RY. For more detailed information and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.TX3A.com

VU2, INDIA. Pai, VU2PAI, in Mangalore, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He will try to be active on 160 meters, if possible, with a new Inverted L antenna. QSL via VU2PAI direct (QRZ.com address).

WP3, PUERTO RICO. Alfredo (Al), WP3C, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via W3HNK.

XR0, EASTER ISLAND (Update). The international team of operators active as XR0Y from Rapa Nui are now QRT. For more details, please see their Web page at: http://rapanui2009.org

XU7, CAMBODIA. Peter, NO2R, will once again be active as XU7ACY from Sihanouk Ville. He will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Lower-Power entry. QSL via W2EN.

YI9, IRAQ. Paul, N6PSE, has reportedly been issued the callsign of YI9PSE by the Iraqi Ministry of Telecom and is currently planning a 6-8 person DXpedition to Northern Iraq (Kurdistan) for late spring/early summer of 2010. There will be three stations on the air from the International Hotel in Erbil, Northern Kurdistan (near Turkey). Operations are expected to be on all bands and modes. More details are forthcoming.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Bob, G4DBW, will once again be active as ZD8RH. His activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW or to G4DBW.

ZM4, NEW ZEALND. Members of the East Coast Contesters ZM2M Team will be active using a new callsign, ZM4T, in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are: Lee/ZL2AL, Stan/ ZL2ST, Holger/ZL3IO, Peter/ZL2LF and Mike/ZL2FAR. QSL via ZL2AL, direct or by the bureau. Visit the ZM2M Web page at: http://www.zm2m.com

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11873. Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 12:38:22 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11864 Message: 11873

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From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 11864 Message: 11874

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11875. spotting service !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 14:06:43 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11875 Message: 11875

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A.R.S. W5TFW
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www.w5tfw.com
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Life's Tough,...... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !

John Wayne

11876. Re: [DX-IS] spotting service !

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Date: 2009-11-16 14:14:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11875 Message: 11876

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11877. Re: [DX-IS] spotting service !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 14:17:24 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11875 Message: 11877

Paul,

I am assuming its a joke,..... BUT someone put
LOSER LU 18.143 KI4TZU Spotting SERV CALL for prices.

He must need a life !
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----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2009 8:14 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] spotting service !

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 16:19:21 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 11864 Message: 11878

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Topic: 11864 Message: 11879

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> 11/15/09 13:50:00
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Yahoo! Groups Links

11880. RE: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 18:40:46 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11864 Message: 11880

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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Sent: Monday, November 16, 2009 2:38 PM
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11881. RE: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 18:37:06 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11864 Message: 11881

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11882. RE: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 18:42:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11864 Message: 11882

Interesting!

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11883. Re: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 19:06:59 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11864 Message: 11883

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11884. RE: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 19:22:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11864 Message: 11884

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11885. P29VCX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 20:16:47 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 11885 Message: 11885

I saw a spot for P29VCX that said the online logs were up. I Googled it and found this website:

http://www.rep.pt/P29-PapuaNewGuinea/

Now I am pretty sure my 30 meter Q was a good one (I have been mistaken on this before though) but don't see it in the log. The looks of the website lead me to believe that the logs there are from 2007. They don't give a log updated date but all the news in the left column is from 2007. Does anyone know if these are current logs or 2007 logs?

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11886. Re: [DX-IS] P29VCX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 20:20:11 UTC
From: Axel.Schernikau@siv.de
Topic: 11885 Message: 11886
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Attachment content not displayed]

11887. Re: [DX-IS] P29VCX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 20:29:37 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 11885 Message: 11887

These are the current logs

http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009/logsearch.html

However, both mine show the wrong band!

Buzz N5UR

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11888. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11888

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 320 Issued at 2200Z on 16 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 15/2100Z
to 16/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1031 (N30E08) was a
Bxo-beta group with 2 spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 15/2100Z to 16/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on days one and two (17-18 November). Quiet
levels, with isolated unsettled periods, are expected on day three
(19 November).
III. Event Probabilities 17 Nov-19 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 16 Nov 076
Predicted 17 Nov-19 Nov 077/078/078
90 Day Mean 16 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 15 Nov 003/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 16 Nov 001/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 17 Nov-19 Nov 005/005-005/005-006/006
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 Nov-19 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11889. Finally !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 23:31:56 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11889 Message: 11889

I finally got them TX3A 17 meters SSB.

Joey

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II
www.w5tfw.com
www.6mt.com

Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !

John Wayne

11890. Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-16 23:52:45 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11864 Message: 11890

Al

I have to respond because this may leave the wrong impression.
AA6YQ structured the DXLabs suite into 7 applications so that you don't need to run what you don't use. If all you want is a logger and a capture window then DXKeeper is all you need. If you want more they all work together seamlessly.

DXKeeper---->
It also uploads to LoTW (and others) by QSO or by all not yet uploaded. It also does a verification(sync) that the uploaded QSO indeed made it to LoTW.
It prints either cards, labels, or envelopes for QSLs (I use a 30 labels per page)
It will determine which QSLs you need to request based on what you say you are tracking for awards (or you can flag them manually)
It prepares filing for awards like DXCC (I push a button and it tells me what LoTW credits to use or what cards to submit) and prepares the submittal listing for the award.
It tells me where I stand against more awards than I care about (if I ask)
It tracks my QSL requests and lets me know their age so I can request again (or panic)

I am sure there are many logggers that do the job but from a DXing standpoint I have never seen one that makes DXing and QSLing so easy.

Given the number of users, I respectfully suggest that those even still using their Collins radios may want to load the program, transfer an image of your log, and see what it does(assuming they have a computer)

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11891. Re: Finally !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-17 00:03:24 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11889 Message: 11891

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11892. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Finally !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-17 00:07:50 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11889 Message: 11892

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> > From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf

> > Of Bob
> > Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2009 12:09 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: [DX-IS] Re: T99C
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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11894. Re: Finally !

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-17 10:20:04 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11889 Message: 11894

They've had excellent signals on 80 CW several mornings in a row. I managed to get them on 30 the other day, but 40 has still been quite a struggle. The pileups just seem enormous even after a couple weeks of activity.

We too (both the wife and me) got them on 17 SSB last night - I needed that for SSB for Chesterfield. We had begun to despair that they weren't going to do much phone, but that was the second time we had heard them on 17 phone and finally got through on that mode.

Now if we could just snag 'em on RTTY.

Glad to hear you got through.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
>
> I have listened each day but they never seem to be good for me,...
>
> at least I got them somewhere..... and 17 is OK with me.
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> :-)
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Bob
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, November 16, 2009 6:03 PM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Finally !
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> Congratulations Joey!
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> I was listening also but they started 2 hours after NE USA 17meter peak propagation to that area of the world so I never heard much but a whisper in the noise.
>
> Interesting over the last couple of days I have worked T30KI on 3 bands SSB from the same area of the world in the short few days they were on W Kiribati with wires and a 100W TS2000.
>
> Hopefully I'll get another shot on SSB or RTTY on these guys before they leave.
>
> Bob KB1JZU
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> <joeyw5tfw@> wrote:
> >
> > I finally got them TX3A 17 meters SSB.

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> > Joey
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11895. Re: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-17 12:09:17 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11864 Message: 11895

Guys,

Thanks (?) for hijacking this posting. It really had nothing at all to
do with logging programs.

73 de Brian/K3KO

Bob wrote:
> Al
>
> I have to respond because this may leave the wrong impression.
> AA6YQ structured the DXLabs suite into 7 applications so that you don't need to run what you don't use. If all you want is a logger and a capture window then DXKeeper is all you need. If you want more they all work together seamlessly.
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11896. RE: [DX-IS] T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-17 15:38:37 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11864 Message: 11896

Hi Brian,

After reviewing your original post, I see, indeed, that it was hijacked. I apologize for the part I played in that hijacking.

However, if you haven't noticed, this seems to happen an awful lot on this reflector :-).

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Brian Alsop
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2009 10:23 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] T99C

Anybody have luck getting his QSL?
Two tries since 2006 via direct + SAE + GS's have failed.

QRZ.COM and other sources have the address I used.

73 de Brian/K3KO

Yahoo! Groups Links

11897. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 03:01:42 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11897

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
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to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. A B1.5 flare occurred at
17/1259Z, most likely originating from the new emerging flux region
near N19E68.
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The geomagnetic field was quiet.
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Nov-20 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/15
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11898. IRC's Available ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 03:20:59 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11898 Message: 11898

Anyone know a source for new IRC's ? (besides the USPS).

73, Dick, W1KSZ

11899. RE: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 03:27:21 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11864 Message: 11899

Hi Art,

I have similar dates to you wrt. on and off the air. (i.e. I was off the air from 1990 and came back on around May 2005).

I have been using Logger 32 and VE7CC AR Cluster program. Logger32 does the logging, QSLing etc and I have kept VE7CC due to the colour coding which I rely on to quickly spot which band the DX station is on.

I have looked at DXlabs a couple of times, but found it quite bitsy, I guess you don't have to install the bits you don't want...

Btw, worked Dwayne this morning KD4POJ on the LP 20m for ND. I still need SD on LOTW, are there any hams in SD?

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Tuesday, 17 November 2009 6:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

When I returned to the airwaves back in 2004, I discovered that amateur radio had taken some big leaps (I essentially went off the air in 1987), particularly in the PC-to-radio environment. After trying several logging programs, I discovered DXBase, bought it (around $100 at the time) and used it for about a year. Then I discovered the author charged for annual updates (apparently coincident with the Dayton hamfest). At the same time, I discovered DXLabs, downloaded all the pieces (it's easier now than it was three years back) and gave it a whirl. The similarities between DXKeeper and DXBase made the learning curve less steep than it might have otherwise been. I've never looked back.

The DXLab suite is astounding, comprehensive, incredibly well supported (the author conducts a Yahoo forum) and updated often. Since the product is free, I couldn't possibly have any financial interest!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> Hi Art,
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> I'm certain you are aware, but in the off-chance you aren't, DXbase has

> been sold. An updated version seems to be in the works for 2010. You
> might want to join the DXbase reflector for news.
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> Although several friends are pushing me to use another logging
program, I
> have used DXbase for 15 years and I have enough trouble remembering
how to
> tie my shoes and am reluctant to go though another learning curve :-).
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> Al, VE1AL
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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11900. Re: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 05:09:03 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11864 Message: 11900

----- Original Message -----
From: "Lance Martin" >
> I have been using Logger 32
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The reason I switched from Logger 32 was that at the end of the evening I would backup to a 3? diskette. When I moved and got a new computer the old went out so I downloaded Logger 32 and put my diskette in and there was nothing on the disk. My fault for not checking the diskette for content but as it is I couldn't go back to Logger 32 as Bob won't let anyone use it who uses his lass too on the air.

de Suga Yankee - Rene

11901. RE: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 06:12:50 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11864 Message: 11901

Ok Rene,

I upload my logs to LOTW, eQSL and Club log every week. So that's a triple, weekly backup plan.
It also pays to export and backup your ADIF file locally monthly to an external HDD.

3 and 1/2 inch disks went out quite a while back!

GL, 73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Wednesday, 18 November 2009 1:09 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: T99C

----- Original Message -----
From: "Lance Martin" >
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11902. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 13:28:13 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 11902

AHA!!! SFI = 80!!! Keep it up Paul.

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 10:01 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 17 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
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SDF Number 321 Issued at 2200Z on 17 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. A B1.5 flare occurred at
17/1259Z, most likely originating from the new emerging flux region
near N19E68.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for days one and two (18-19
November). Quiet to unsettled levels, with a chance for isolated
active periods, are expected late on day three (20 November). The
increase in activity is expected as a recurrent coronal hole
high-speed stream becomes geoeffective.
III. Event Probabilities 18 Nov-20 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 Nov 077
Predicted 18 Nov-20 Nov 078/079/080
90 Day Mean 17 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 Nov 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 Nov 000/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 Nov-20 Nov 005/006-005/007-008/010
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Nov-20 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/15

Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

11903. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 14:09:18 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11903

At 09:28 AM 11/18/2009, you wrote:

>AHA!!! SFI = 80!!! Keep it up Paul.
>

I'm trying to beat the 83 record of last month!

73, Paul VE1DX

11904. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11904

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 18 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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to 18/2100Z: Solar activity has been at very low levels for the past
24 hours. Two regions were numbered today. Region 1032 (N17E20) and
Region 1033 (N21E47) were both magnetically classified as Beta
groups.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be at
very low to low levels. With the emergence of Regions 1032 and 1033,
there is a slight chance for a C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 17/2100Z to 18/2100Z:
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isolated unsettled period at mid-latitudes occurred between
18/0600-0900Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to remain at quiet levels for day one (19 November).
Unsettled, with isolated active conditions, are expected on day two
and three (20-21 November) due to a recurrent coronal hole
high-speed stream.
III. Event Probabilities 19 Nov-21 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 18 Nov ???
Predicted 19 Nov-21 Nov 079/080/080
90 Day Mean 18 Nov 072
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Observed Afr/Ap 17 Nov 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 18 Nov 002/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 19 Nov-21 Nov 007/007-010/011-015/015
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 19 Nov-21 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/20/30
Minor storm 05/10/15
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11905. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-18 22:41:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11905

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 18 2233 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
::::::::::::Corrected Copy:::::::::::::::::::::::
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Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11906. HV50VR QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 01:34:31 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11906 Message: 11906

Logged a station ID'ing as HV50VR on Nov7 around 21z on 30 Meter RTTY.
Its QSL manager doesn't seem to have an email.

Anyone log them or know if this Vatican station is still active.
Seemed like alot for folks were working it but can't even find any spots.

Was I dreaming? Pirate?

Bob KB1JZU

11907. RE: [DX-IS] HV50VR QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 01:39:27 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11906 Message: 11907

I don't know about the validity of the station you worked, Bob, but I got my confirmation via LoTW for my 2007 SSB QSO. The station WAS active for the 50th anniversary of Vatican Radio but I don't know why the call would be used two years later.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 9:35 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] HV50VR QSO

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11908. Re: [DX-IS] HV50VR QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 02:07:23 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11906 Message: 11908

Bob;

Checking DX Summit, he was spotted several times on November 1, nothing after that. Some in August though. WFWL, I guess. QRZ does list a mgr. If he is for real, you get nice card, if not....well only 98 cents and some green stamps (however you do it)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob" <kb1jzu@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 8:34:31 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] HV50VR QSO

Logged a station ID'ing as HV50VR on Nov7 around 21z on 30 Meter RTTY.
Its QSL manager doesn't seem to have an email.

Anyone log them or know if this Vatican station is still active.
Seemed like alot for folks were working it but can't even find any spots.

Was I dreaming? Pirate?

Bob KB1JZU

11909. Re: [DX-IS] HV50VR QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 02:54:06 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11906 Message: 11909

Bob - I sent you a message direct with a whole bunch of posts Nov. 7
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob" <kb1jzu@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 5:34 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] HV50VR QSO

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> Anyone log them or know if this Vatican station is still active.
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> Was I dreaming? Pirate?
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> Bob KB1JZU
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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.707 / Virus Database: 270.14.72/2511 - Release Date: 11/17/09
23:50:00

11910. Re: HV50VR QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 04:12:06 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11906 Message: 11910

Rene

Thanks! At least that takes care of crazy. For some reason the DXSummit search function only showed spots up to Nov1.

Weird pattern. Only a few short periods this year and no LoTW since last year. Guess it is going to cost 2 Green Stamps to find out.

73
Bob

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...> wrote:
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> Rene
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11911. Re: [dx-qso] DXpeditions

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 10:21:27 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 11768 Message: 11911

Speaking of which.

My nephew (sister's son) has bought himself a holiday qth in YJ land.
He reckons that family will be able to go there very cheaply. I've
just written to him to remind him who his best uncle is.

Maybe looks like middle a next year, vk6apk might be signing portable YJ0.

73, Alek.

At 02:39 AM 9/11/2009, WB6PSY/N6AXK wrote:

>Interesting article in the November CQ magazine on page 32, Medical
>Considerations for DXpeditions written by K9SQ, the medical officer
>for Peter Uno and Desecheo.
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>He gives great insight to what it takes to get to some places
>which, hopefully, one will get a deeper appreciation as to what it
>takes. So, for those that bitch about the DXpeditions, please
>consider going to a place like Peter Uno (if you even qualify).
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>Rene
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>The Renegade & Old Age
>Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
>MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
>Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
>Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder
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>E-mail message checked by Spyware Doctor (6.1.0.447)
>Database version: 6.13650
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r-antivirus/

From sunny Binningup, Western Australia

http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

E-mail message checked by Spyware Doctor (6.1.0.447)
Database version: 6.13650

http://www.pctools.com/en/spyware-doctor-antivirus/

11912. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11912

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 19 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 323 Issued at 2200Z on 19 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity has been at very low levels for the past
24 hours. Region 1033 (N19E34) a Bxo-beta , has grown in area and
sunspot number. Region 1032 (N15E07) a Bxo-beta, has shown little
change. No flares have occurred.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be at
very low levels with a slight chance for a C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been at quiet levels for the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be unsettled with a chance for isolated active periods
for the next two days (20-21 November) due to a recurrent coronal
hole high-speed stream. Conditions should decline to mostly quiet to
unsettled levels for the third day (22 November).
III. Event Probabilities 20 Nov-22 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 Nov 077
Predicted 20 Nov-22 Nov 080/080/080
90 Day Mean 19 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 Nov 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 Nov 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 Nov-22 Nov 010/010-015/015-007/010
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 Nov-22 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/30/10
Minor storm 10/15/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11913. ARLD046 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-19 22:08:09 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7186 Message: 11913

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DX Bulletin 46 ARLD046
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT November 19, 2009
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD046 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TUNISIA, 3V. A group of operators will be QRV as 3V3S from November 23 to December 2. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via DL9USA.

GHANA, 9G. Alan, G3XAQ is QRV as 9G5XA from Accra until December 4. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW. QSL via G3SWH.

BOTSWANA, A2. Mike, K9NW will be QRV as A25NW from November 23 to December 1. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

OMAN, A4. In celebration of the Oman National Holiday, members of the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society are QRV as A43ND until November 25. Activity is on all bands. QSL via A47RS.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, A6. A group of operators will be QRV as A65DLH from Dubai from November 23 to 30. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ WW DX CW contest. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via DO7ZZ.

PORTUGAL, CT. Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be QRV as CR6A from the Fuzeta-Barra Lighthouse, ARLHS POR-116, on Armona Island on November 22. Activity will be from 0700 to 1300 on 40 to 15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via CT1GFK.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Jean, ON5JV and Georgette, ON6AK are QRV as EA8/home calls from Tijoco Bajo on Tenerife, IOTA AF-004, until February 10. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters mainly during their

evening hours. QSL to home calls.

NEW CALEDONIA, FK. Akira, JA1NLX is QRV as FK/home call from the Ouvea Islands, IOTA OC-033, until November 23. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL to home call.

BONAIRE, CURACAO, PJ2. John, K4BAI and Don, W4OC will be QRV as PJ4/home calls from Bonaire, IOTA SA-006, from November 24 to December 1. This includes being an entry as PJ4A in the upcoming CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL all calls via K4BAI.

PALAU, T8. Pista, HA5AO will be QRV as T88CI from Koror Island, IOTA OC-009, from November 25 to December 10. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10 meters, and possibly 160 meters, using mainly CW. He may also try SSB and RTTY. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ WW CW contest. QSL to home call.

CHAD, TT. Jovica, E78A is QRV as TT8JT from Abeche for about three weeks. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly CW. QSL via E73Y.

BELIZE, V3. Pete, K8PT will be QRV as V31PT from Ambergris Cay, IOTA NA-073, from November 24 to December 5. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

NAMIBIA, V5. Klaus, DJ4SO will be QRV as V5/home call from November 23 to December 15. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY or PSK31. QSL to home call.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND, VK9X. Harry, DM5TI, Rene, DL2JRM, Thomas, DL2RMC and Sid, DM2AYO will be QRV as VK9XX from November 21 to December 5. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. They will be QRV as VK9XW in the upcoming CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL both calls via DL1RTL.

INDIA, VU. Amateur Radio operators in India have recently been authorized to transmit between 7100 and 7200 kHz, now giving them use from 7000 to 7200 kHz.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL Sweepstakes SSB Contest, NCCC Sprint, YO International PSK31 Contest, Mongolian DX Contest, SARL Field Day Contest, Feld Hell Sprint, LZ DX Contest, All Austrian 160-Meter Contest, RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz CW Contest, North American Collegiate ARC SSB Championship and the EU PSK63 QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Sprint and SKCC CW Sprint are scheduled for November 25. Please see November QST, page 86, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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11914. HRD 5.0

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-20 14:34:26 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11914 Message: 11914

I don't run CAT software, as a rule, but I keep it on my computer. HRD released 5.0 recently and I decided to take a look. It was not something I would was really interested in using.

But,,,,, the now stand alone Logbook 5.0 that comes with it is IMHO as good an any logbook out there. There is very little it does not do, and it is a very nice package .

It is well worth taking a look at, and it is free.

Win, W0LZ

11915. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #968

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-20 16:32:06 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11915 Message: 11915

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

9G - Alan, G3XAQ will be active as 9G5XA from Ghana until 4 December. He operates CW on all bands. QSL via G3SWH. The log will be uploaded to www.g3swh.org.uk on his return. [TNX G3SWH]
A2 - Mike, K9NW will be active as A25NW from Botswana between 23 November and 1 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
A6 - The Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club, in co-operation with the Emirates Amateur Radio Society, will be active as A65DLH from Dubai on 23-30 November, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via DO7ZZ (bureau preferred). [TNX DO7ZZ]
CE - Alain, F6BFH has had to cancel the IOTA trip to SA-085 [425DXN 967] because of rough seas. He and his wife Danielle are now going to Chiloe Island (SA-018), where they expect to remain from 21 through 25 November. Alain plans to operate SSB and CW on 20, 17, 15 and maybe 30 metres. QSL via F6BFH, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
CT7 - Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team (http://algarvedx.com) will be active as CR6A from Fuzeta-Barra Lighthouse on Armona Island (not IOTA) between 7 and 13 UTC on 22 November They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-15 metres. QSL via CT1GFK.
FM - Saty, JE1JKL will be active from Martinique as FM/JE1JKL/p on 25-27 November, and as TO5T during the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
J6 - K9HZ will be active again as J68HZ from St. Lucia (NA-108) from 21 November through 5 December. He plans to operate on 80, 40 and 20 metres during his evening hours. Look for him around 14155, 7155 and 3770 kHz SSB, and 14050, 7050 and 3550 CW. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
KH0 - Lee, HL1IWD and Harry, WX8C will operate as AH0/AH2Y and KH0/WX8C from Saipan for the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via HL1IWD (but all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau). [TNX HL1IWD]

KP2 - Look for KP2/K3CT and KP2/K3TEJ to operate CW and RTTY from the US Virgin Islands from 24 November to 1 December. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as KP2M (QSL via AI4U).
T7 - Dario, IZ2EER and Agostino, IK2FIQ will operate from T70A, the club station of the Republic of San Marino's IARU Society on 26-30 November. This will include activity during the CQ WW DX CW on 80 metres. [TNX IZ2EER]
TJ - Lionel, F5PSA (TJ3SL) will QRT from Cameroon around 15 December. Until that date, he will try to be QRV daily. His latest activity was on 20 and 17 metres SSB. QSL via F5PSA. [TNX F5NQL]
V5 - Klaus, DJ4SO will be active again as V5/DJ4SO from Namibia from 23 November to 15 December. He plans to operate CW, RTTY, PSK31 and some SSB on 160-10 metres, and to take part in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
VP6 - Al, ZL1AMD (VP6AL) has been on Pitcairn Island (OC-044) since early September and will remain there until March on on a 6-month assignment as the island's medical officer. The Daily DX says that Al "prefers picking up calls on 20 metres" rather than generating his own pile-up. QSL direct only to Al McDonald, c/o PDC Hahei, RD1, Whitianga 3591, New Zealand.
VU - Special callsign AU8JCB will be in use between 28 November and 1 December to celebrate the birthdate of Indian physicist Jagadish Chandra Bose. QSL via VU2DSI. [TNX The Daily DX]
XU - Wim, XU7TZG (XU7KOH) will be active from Koh Russei (AS-133) 20-23 November. He plans to operate SSB (14260, 18128 and 21260 kHz) and BPSK (14040,15 18100,15 and 21080,15 kHz). QSL via ON7PP. [TNX ON7PP]
YN - Eric, K9GY (YN2GY) will be active from Nicaragua on 26-29 November, CQWW DX CW Contest included. Outside the contest he will focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres CW. QSL direct to K9GY (but LoTW preferred). [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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D68F ---> Serge, F6AML has had to cancel his 13-23 operation from the Comoro Islands [425DXN 967]. In a text message earlier this week he mentioned "a confused and instable political situation" as well as "some big radio problems". [TNX F5NQL]

LOGS ---> On-line logs for P29VSR (OC-008), P29VCX (OC-102), P29NI (OC-205) and P29VLR (OC-231) are now available at www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2009/ (logs for P29VCX's activity from OC-116 and OC-240 will be added later).

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Steve, WB6RSE is receiving cards for V51AS, but he is not and never has been his QSL manager. Cards should be sent direct to Frank Steinhauser, Am Rosenkothen 17, 40880 Ratingen, Germany.

PSK63 QSO PARTY ---> The European PSK Club invites amateur radio operators all over the world to participate in the 4th EPC PSK63 QSO Party 2009 to be held on 22 November. Complete rules can be found at http://www.eu.srars.org/

QSL 7X0DX & 9M8DX ---> In early November Tom, SP5UAF received, processed and mailed out all of the outstanding direct requests for 7X0DX and 9M8DX (whose QSL manager, DL4DBR, passed away on 2 January). Those who still need a bureau card should resubmit via the bureau to SP5UAF, or send an e-mail request to either tom.sp5uaf@... or sp5uaf@... [TNX SP5UAF]

QSL TF4X ---> Phil, G3SWH reports he has been appointed QSL manager for TF4X. There is already a log search facility on his web site (http://www.g3swh.org.uk), and any direct QSL requests already sent to TF4X will be forwarded to him.

X-TREME ---> IZ5MMK, IZ5MOQ and IZ5NFD, kindly hosted by NP2KW, are testing the HF Remote Base located in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands (http://np2kw-hf-remote.yolasite.com/). This test has been established to allow amateurs to participate in the next contests (CQWW, WPX) into the X-treme Category, while experimenting creatively with Internet-linked stations and other new technologies. Note that the QSL will be only via NP2KW and note that the contacts are not valid for DXCC. [TNX IZ5MMK]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Jorge Camboni (CX8BBH), Rowley Shears (G8KW), David L. Wiesen (K2VX), John J. Hughes (K6MB), Hector Hugo Galvan (LU2XT), Evgeny A. Kostromin (UA4RZ), Lawrence T. Fadner (W3GN) and George M. W. Badger (W6TC).

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3Z30C SP9DTE FK8DD LZ1JZ SN17BN SP5IKO
4K9W DL6KVA FK8HW VK4FW SN65LOK SP5KCR
5C5W EA5XX FO8RZ F8BPN SO65LOK SP5KCR
5N0OCH DL3OCH GD4FDM GM4FDM SP40DUV SP9GR
5R8IC F6ICX HF1NSN SP1EG T30IW N1IW
5W0AP PA3LEO HP3AK W4JS T30KI N1EMC
5W0CF PA3LEO HS0ZCY/4 E21EIC T6AG EA3GHZ
5W0IW PA3LEO II0TRM IK0IXI T6YA F5OGL
5W0KH DL2FAG IQ6CC IW6DSM T88AA JJ1BMB
5W0KY VK2ZKY IY0GMN IQ0RM TC1YLH TA1HZ
5W0NM PA3LEO IY1Y IK1MDF TM1TJV F8KHN

5W0WL PA3LEO IY2M IW2NOH TM5TUR F6KTW
5W2IQ WB2IQU J37LR VE3EBN TT8JT E73Y
6V7S UA1OMX JV1A WV6E TX3A HA7RY
6W/EI6DX RX3RC KH0/KF7FKH JE1HXZ UA0YAY IK2QPR
8P9NS VE3OBP KH0/KI6TIU JA1PBV UA0ZAL RV1CC
9A430KA 9A6Z KH2FB JA2TBS UE1WFF/0 RW3OW
9A800VZ 9A7A KH9/WA2YUN K2PF UE4PFF/4 UA4PCA
9G5TT I2YSB LX8RTTY LX1DA UN5J W3HNK
9G5XX I2YSB LZ55OUV LZ1PM V6P JH1NBN
9H9JR DJ0QJ MD/PA3EWP PA7FM VK6ANC VK6NE
9J2FM JA4ATV N6NY/NH0 JK1FUP VP2MDC G3TBK
9M6DXX/p M0URX NP3M/516 WP3S VP6AL ZL1AMD
9M6XRO/p M0URX ON25BELGICA ON7TR VP8BUG EB7DX
A31A PA3LEO OX/EA4NA EA4BT VP8BUH EB7DX
A43ND A47RS OY4TN M0URX VP8DIF DJ9ZB
A65BE G3XHZ P29CW VK2IR VP9BO W4ZGR
A65CA RV6AJJ PC60TROLLEY PA0FAW VY1RST KL7JR
AC2BF/KH2 JA1OHP PJ4/PE1MAE PA2NJC W2FJP/KH2 JA2FJP
AP2NK W3HNK PW2IO PT7WA W3FO/KH2 JH0CEO
C91LW UY5LW PW2TA PY2WAS W6KNH/KH0 JQ1KNH
CM3RPN EB7DX PW6C K9AJ WH2D K3UOC
CN34MV EA7FTR R100W RV9WB WN1Y/NH2 JF1VGZ
CO6RD 8P9NX R1ANB RN1ON XU7EEE JE7JDL
CO6XN N3ZOM R1ANC RN1ON XV2JR OH4MDY
D2CQ CT1IUA R1ANR RZ3BJ XV2RZ OH4MDY
DP1POL DL1ZBO R1FJM RX3MM YI1RZ IK2DUW
DQ11APOLLO DF3JO RA9LI/0 UA9LP YI9TM WT4M
EF8BFH EA8NQ RK2FWA DK4VW YN2N TI2OHL
EG7CE EA7NL S21B KX7YT YN4SU TI4SU
EK6LP DL8KAC SI0GM SM6JSM YP1WFF YO3JW
EN500I DM5BB SI1GM SM6JSM YP2GEO YO2KAR
ER5GB W3HNK SI2GM SM6JSM YW5F DM4TI
ER650MD ER4DX SI3GM SM6JSM YW8AJ YV5AJ
ES1/OZ5IPA OZ5AAH SI4GM SM6JSM ZB2CN DJ9WH
EW6GF DL8KAC SI5GM SM6JSM ZC4VJ M0URX
EY8MM K1BV SI6GM SM6JSM ZD8DC N2WE
FK/JA1NLX JA1NLX SI7GM SM6JSM ZW5UN PP5EG

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UY5LW Igor Pyzh, P.O. Box 1770, Kharkov - 176, 61176 Ukraine
V51AS Frank Steinhauser, Am Rosenkothen 17, 40880 Ratingen, Germany
ZL1AMD Al McDonald, c/o PDC Hahei, RD1, Whitianga 3591, New Zealand

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11916. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #968 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-20 16:59:11 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11916 Message: 11916

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******* CALENDAR *******
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11917. ARLP047 Propagation de K7RA

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Topic: 7313 Message: 11917

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ARLP047 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP47
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 47 ARLP047
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 20, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP047
ARLP047 Propagation de K7RA

Sunspot activity seems to be increasing steadily of late. Daily sunspot numbers for November 5-19 were 15, 16, 11, 0, 14, 13, 11, 11, 0, 0, 11, 12, 0, 29 and 30.

Sunspot 1029 made its trip around the Sun and has re-emerged as sunspot 1032, and a new sunspot 1033 has come over the eastern limb. This steady appearance of sunspots has raised the MUF over many paths, and 15 meters is beginning to open regularly.

In the Southern Hemisphere, which gets more solar radiation this time of year, you can see a pronounced effect on the foF2 reading in the afternoon (local time is UTC+6.5 hours) on the web site http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/lists/iono_day/Cocos_Is_iono.txt.

This is a measurement taken with an ionospheric sounder on Cocos-Keeling Islands in the Indian Ocean, 12.5 degrees South latitude and 96.8 degrees East longitude. The instrument sweeps a radio signal across the HF spectrum, beamed straight up to the ionosphere overhead, and it measures the strength of the signal bouncing back to determine optimum frequency. You can see during mid-day foF2 is going above 10 MHz.

Of course, your results may vary. The effect was pronounced from 0600-1400z on November 19, and not quite as enhanced on November 20, 0700-1000z. Unfortunately, these ionosonde records don't go back but a day or two. You will see less effect this time of year in the Northern Hemisphere, as seen at a record of ionosonde data in Italy on the http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/lists/iono_day/Rome_iono.txt site. On the http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/lists/iono_day/Chilton_iono.txt site see similar data taken in the UK.

At http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/lists/iono_day you can check a list of links for 68 different locations, but some of them seem

inactive. For instance, after months of checking, I have never seen a bit of ionosonde data from Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, in the file "Eglin_iono.txt."

Another interesting tool to see varying MUF around the world, updated every five minutes, is at, http://www.spacew.com/www/realtime.php. The contour lines show the MUF over that particular area. During the day recently some areas over Africa are going above 30 MHz.

This weekend is the ARRL SSB Sweepstakes Contest, and conditions are expected to be good for this popular domestic operating event. There is a possibility of some disturbance from unsettled geomagnetic conditions, possibly peaking on Saturday. Predicted planetary A index for November 20-24 is 10, 15, 10, 6 and 5. Possible mild disturbance on Saturday would be from a wind stream from a coronal hole that currently faces Earth.

Predicted solar flux for the near term is 78 for November 20-21, 80 for November 22-26, and 70 on into early December.

Evan Rolek, K9SQG of Beavercreek, Ohio has been noting stateside and short skip 40 meter conditions this year. Back on April 20, he wrote "Over the past month, 40 meters has been dismal for daytime net activities. In addition to storm-related static, signals range from "normal" to 20-30 dB below normal. Interestingly, I'm experiencing one-way skip with certain stations, but not all. For example, a station that I share net control with on the Georgia 40 Meter Traders' Net on Sunday morning is down something like 15-20 dB on my S-meter. Still solid copy but he is unable to copy me at all."

But recently Evan notes an improvement. On November 16, he wrote observations "based upon some 40 meter swap and technical net participation. Recent weeks have shown an improvement in signal strength and areas of coverage in the 1400-1500z and 2000-2100z time frames (morning and afternoon on North America's East Coast). Signals are up 10-30 dB (yes, ten to thirty decibels) and the areas of coverage have improved. Close-in regions under 200 miles that were almost uncopyable for the past several months now have signals that are 10-35 dB over S9. Talking with stations in Minnesota, Louisiana, New Hampshire, Florida, Mississippi, etc. are becoming more frequent. I hope this is the sign of improvements for a long term basis."

Check out http://www.physorg.com/news177872248.html to read an interesting article about a solar tsunami, and how STEREO gives a 3-dimensional view to better judge the height of solar disturbances.

Larry Godek, W0OGH of Gilbert, Arizona says conditions are improving.

Larry writes, "First of all, I run only 100 watts here and all antennas except for the 20 meter beam at 30 feet are dipoles. DX has been quite good of recent.

"For me to work anything on 20 meter SSB which is normally KW Alley, is something that hasn't happened for years and years around here. However as I've worked ZB2EO, 6W/EI6DX, T30KI, ZS6JPY (40 meter SSB) and TL0A which is not impressive to some but it sure gets my attention.

"Surprisingly the African contacts have been in the morning hours, who I normally can't work, much less hear, until after 2100Z. Just too much RF blocking going on to the east of me.

"This morning on the ZB2 station, I had called him a few minutes earlier but again the east coast was doing all the talking. Shortly thereafter I heard him calling CQ DX with no answers. While signals were only about 5-5 both ways, it was a clear path with no other stations heard on the frequency. Quite a surprise.

"Last night, November 13 (0346z) ZS6JPY was heard calling CQ on 40 SSB. No one appeared to be returning his calls so I gave him a shout. Again using 100 watts and a weird 40 meter dipole antenna configuration I was able to work him.

"Kind of reminds me of the days back in the late 50s when you could load up the bedspring and work the world. WOW! Things are improving!

"Lots of DX on the 30 meter band from Europe as well as the Caribbean region and Pacific. The CW bands have been much better. I've even been able to work DX on 17 meters with the 20 meter beam, greatly reduced power of course, but never the less, propagation was good enough for it to happen."

Vic Woodling, WB4SLM of Centerville, Georgia (EM82dp) experienced some interesting tropospheric propagation earlier this week. Vic wrote, "Tropo last night (14-15 Nov) early this morning across the southeast to the southwest. Couple examples: worked our old friend Pat WA5IYX (San Antonio, Texas EL09ql) on 2 meter CW, 909 miles. Also made a "sweep" from 6 meters, 2 meters, 222, 432, 902, 1296, and 2304 MHz with OM Bill W3XO/5 (Kerrville, Texas EM00kd), 925 miles. I 'think' but really can't remember if this was my personal best on 6 meter tropo, but should be. I know it was (my best) on 2304 902 MHz. In chatting with Bill W3XO and Drew KO4MA (New Port Richey, Florida EL88pg) early this AM they said they had a 997 mile contact on 222 MHz."

After this weekend, when we have the ARRL SSB Sweepstakes Contest, the following weekend (November 28-29) is the CQ Worldwide CW DX Contest, followed by the ARRL 160 Meter Contest December 4-6, then the ARRL 10 Meter Contest, December 12-13.

This weekend we should see some propagation on 15 meters over the domestic paths for the contest. For instance, Dallas to Seattle should be good on 15 meters 1630-2130z, 10 meters possibly 1800-2000z. California to Ohio on 15 meters should work 1600-2130z, and possibly 1630-2030z. Dallas to Boston looks good for 15 meters 1600-1930z, and Dallas to Vancouver looks good on 15 meters 1630-2130z. Atlanta to Edmonton, Alberta also looks good for 15 meters 1630-2030z, with 10 meter possible 1730-1900z.

James French, W8ISS sent in a comment in response to the info about backscatter in last week's bulletin.

He writes, "We had this exact thing happen on ten meters Just before the November Sweepstakes started November 7th.

"Gave a call out asking if the frequency was in use, then started calling CQ. With the newly installed tri-band beam pointed west, a local station about ten miles away answered back. He said we were weak so we swung the beam East (his direction) and lost him totally. Swung the beam back West again and there he was. We were in Ann Arbor, MI and the other gent was in Belleville, MI. Was using W8ISS from the Red Cross station.

"I was wondering if we had installed the beam backwards as we had just gotten it up on the 65' tower about two weeks ago and was getting ready for Sweepstakes that weekend. Jay, WB8TKL, told me about how it was probably backscatter. I wouldn't have thought it possible that close, but there it had happened in front of me."

Finally, Chris Kelly, K0PF tells a story about operating mobile recently, and experiencing some of that old shortwave magic.

"My note regards an interesting contact I had the other night.

"I was driving to Colorado State University about 9 PM to pick up my son (K0PFJ) who had a late exam, and I decided to switch on the IC-706MK2G in the pickup and see if there was anything happening in this lowest of sunspot days. I heard and worked a station on Vancouver Island, who was very kind and turned his 20 Meters beam my way because he heard a mobile.

"He was working a lot of JAs who were barely audible to me. I tuned around a bit and heard an interesting accent and called, receiving a 5/7 report from ZL1BOS. I thought this was quite a feat from a 100 watt mobile (he must have a good antenna and receiver).

"A few minutes later and all the JAs had faded out and 20 seemed dead. I dropped to 40 meters, and promptly heard a ZS1, about 5/5. By the way, the antenna on the truck was a Hustler whip using a 20 meter resonator, tuned with a SGC antenna coupler. Not even the right resonator for 40.

"I have been a ham for almost 3 sunspot cycles, and while I am not very active right now (obviously busy raising a family), I am still

amazed at the propagation that opens up even at the bottom of the cycle. Hearing the opposite side of the Earth via two paths on the same night from a mobile station. Wow!"

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for November 12 through 18 were 11, 0, 0, 11, 12, 0, and 29 with a mean of 9. 10.7 cm flux was 73.2, 74.1, 74.8, 75.1, 76.2, 77.2, and 76.1 with a mean of 75.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 2, 5, 4, 1, 1 and 2 with a mean of 2.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 2, 3, 3, 0, 0 and 2 with a mean of 1.4.
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11918. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-20 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11918

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 20 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 324 Issued at 2200Z on 20 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity has been at very low levels for the past
24 hours. Region 1033 (N21E23), a Bxo-beta, has continued to grow in
size and sunspot number. Region 1032 (N16W03), a Bxo-beta, has shown
a slight decay in spots and area. No flares were observed.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be at
very low levels with a slight chance for a C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 19/2100Z to 20/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been at quiet levels for the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be unsettled with a slight chance for an active period
on day one (21 November) due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed
stream. Conditions are expected to be predominantly at quiet levels
for day two and three (22-23 November).
III. Event Probabilities 21 Nov-23 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 20 Nov 076
Predicted 21 Nov-23 Nov 078/078/078
90 Day Mean 20 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 19 Nov 000/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 20 Nov 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 21 Nov-23 Nov 012/012-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 21 Nov-23 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/10/05
Minor storm 10/05/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11919. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-21 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11919

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 21 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 325 Issued at 2200Z on 21 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 20/2100Z
to 21/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1033 (N18E07)
remains a Bxo-beta region. No significant flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The SOHO/C2 images observed a slow moving
(around 200 km/s) Earth directed CME at 21/0755Z. EIT images also
showed a wave pattern, associated with the CME, located in the
vicinity of a filament channel around S40E30.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to remain
very low with a slight chance for a C-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 20/2100Z to 21/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled. Observations from the
ACE spacecraft indicate the continued influence of a recurrent
coronal hole high speed stream. Solar wind speed rose through the
period from 430 -575 km/s with Bz fluctuations from -8 to +9 nT.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (22-24
November).
III. Event Probabilities 22 Nov-24 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 21 Nov 076
Predicted 22 Nov-24 Nov 078/078/078
90 Day Mean 21 Nov 071
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 20 Nov 002/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 Nov 007/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 Nov-24 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 Nov-24 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11920. w5lbt / sk

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-21 22:12:00 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11920 Message: 11920

BOB TAYLOR, W5LBT SK Bob was big into EME.

but like all of us sooner or later age and disease had caught up with him.
He was my FRIEND and I shall miss him.

W5TFW

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John Wayne

11921. Re: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-21 23:50:02 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11920 Message: 11921

Was it him that was featured on the cover of QST with his hugh EME station, or am I thinking of someone else?

Dale K8TS

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Cc: "Danny Christina" <n5omg@...>, "Douglas Dedon" <dwdedon@...>, "Richard E. Teague" <k5btp@...>, "Tyrone Burns Sr." <tyke1954@...>, "Wade Parker" <wade.parker@...>, ab5yi@...
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2009 5:12:00 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

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11922. Re: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-21 23:56:10 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11920 Message: 11922

That was HIM,.....

that array is in FLA now,..... I dont know if its operable or not.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2009 5:50 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

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Subject: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

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11923. Re: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-22 00:19:30 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11920 Message: 11923

Hell of an array! Thanks for the info

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2009 6:56:10 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

☐
That was HIM,.....

 that array is in FLA now,..... I dont know if its operable or not.

Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2009 5:50 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

Was it him that was featured on the cover of QST with his hugh EME station, or am I thinking of someone else?

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" < joeyw5tfw@... >
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: "Danny Christina" < n5omg@... >, "Douglas Dedon" < dwdedon@... >, "Richard E. Teague" <k5btp@...>, "Tyrone Burns Sr." <tyke1954@...>, "Wade Parker" <wade.parker@...>, ab5yi@...
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2009 5:12:00 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] w5lbt / sk

BOB TAYLOR, W5LBT SK Bob was big into EME.

but like all of us sooner or later age and disease had caught up with him.
 He was my FRIEND and I shall miss him.

W5TFW

A.R.S. W5TFW
Richard J. Fiero II
www.w5tfw.com
www.6mt.com

Life's Tough,..... Its even tougher if you are Stupid !

John Wayne

11924. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #935

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-22 21:59:37 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 11924 Message: 11924

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November 23, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-November, through Sunday, 22nd-November there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FK/c, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9X, VP2M, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA (Update). Just a reminder/update that a German team will operate from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" (3V8SS) in Sousse, using the special callsign 3V3S between November 23rd and December 2nd. Operators mentioned are: Andy/DJ7IK, Jan/DJ8NK, Guenter/DJ9CB, Andreas/DL9USA and Lars/DF1LON. Also, operators Halim and Ashraf (from the 3V8SS station) will join the German team. The team will set up and

use a spiderbeam and verticals antennas. All antennas will be donated to the 3V8SS station. Look for them to also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL9USA. A Web page will be active soon at: http://www.3V3S.tk

5P15, DENMARK (Special Event/IOTA). Look for special event station 5P15COP from Zealand Island (EU-029) to be active between December 7-18th. Activity is taking place during the big United Nations "Copenhagen Climate Change Conference" <http://www.cop15.dk>. Operators would like to "invite all radio amateurs worldwide to show their concern and care about the environment and climate, by contacting this special event station." Operations will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via OZ5BAL, direct or by the Bureau. For more details about the project, QSL card and awards available, please visit: http://at www.5p15cop.dk

A2, BOTSWANA. Just a reminder that Mike, K9NW, will be active as A25NW between November 23rd and December 1st. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

A7, QATAR. Operators Ali/A71BX, Juma/A71EM and David/K5GN will be active as A73A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/ All-Bands/Single-Transmitter entry. Operations will be from A71BX's QTH. QSL via EA7FTR.

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R from Tumon (OC-026, USI GU003S, WLOTA L-0064) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Mikiawa/JR7OMD, Kazunori/JK3GAD, and Nozomu/JE8KKX. QSL via JH7QXJ.

C4, CYPRUS. Marios, 5B4WN, will be active as C4W during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL is via the LoTW. QSLs via the Bureau are also available via the "self-QSL" button on: http://www.5b4wn.com

CO/CM, CUBA. Look for the following Cuban stations to be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th):
CO8LY - Operator Eduardo as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power. QSL via EA7ADH.
CM8CAD - Operator Carlos as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power. QSL via info QRZ.com.
CO8TW - Operator Juan as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)/Low-Power. QSL via HB9SVT.

CN, MOROCCO. Stefano, IK2QEI, will be active as CN3A from Safi during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. He states that he will possibly be a "SOAB" if the new 80m system is ready for the contest. QSL via LoTW or via I2WIJ.

CQ MAGAZINE'S "DIAMOND JUBILEE WAZ AWARD" (#002 issued). Congratulations to James "Scotty" Scott, WK3N, of Hartstown, PA, for receiving the 2nd

75th anniversary limited-term "Diamond Jubilee WAZ" award. He submitted valid and proper confirmations of contacts with each of the 40 CQ WAZ zones to earn this special certificate. For complete details on the "Diamond Jubilee WAZ Award ", check out CQ's October 2009 issue, or visit the CQ Web site at: http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com

D6, COMOROS. Reports indicate that Serge, F6AML, who was expected to be active as D68F this past week, had to cancel his operation due to the political situation in D6-land. It was also reported that Serge apparently had all of his equipment confiscated and has returned to France.

DU, PHILIPPINES. By the time you read this, Gerard, F2JD, who was active as DU1/G0SHN will be back in France (around November 20th). OPDX was told that Gerarde was not very active while in Manilla (around 300 QSOs) due to a high noise level. He is expected to be back in the Philippines sometime in February and plans to get another antenna for his multiple activities while he travels the neighboring islands. His log is available at: http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php

EY, TAJIKISTAN. Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m) entry. However, due to business commitment, Nodir will only be active during the first 24 hours of the contest. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Phil, FO8RZ (F5PHW), continues to be active on the bands (include topband). He has announced that he will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via F8BPN, direct, by the bureau, LotW.

FO/A, AUSTRAL ISLANDS. German operators Wulf/DL1AWI, Peter/DL3APO and Mat/DL5XU will be active as FO/homecall from Raivavae Island (OC-114, DIFO FO-122, WLOTA L-2581) in the Austral Islands group between January 18th and February 5th. Their focus will be mainly the lower bands 160-30 meters, but will work some higher bands on SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-105. Kang, DS2AGH, and a group of operators will be active as 6M0HZ/2 from Kanghwa Island during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via DS2AGH.

J3, GRENADA (NA-024). Operators Colin/G3VCQ and Sharon/M3VCQ will once again be active as J38CW and J38SW from Beru between March 11-25th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. All QSLs are via G3VCQ, direct or by the bureau.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Bill, K9HZ, will once again be active as J68HZ from Labrelotte Bay, Castries, St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336) between now and December 5th. Activity will be on 80/40/20 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 3550, 7050 and 14050 kHz
SSB - 3770, 7155 and 14155 kHz

He also mentions to watch 40 meters between 2000-2400z daily. Operations from other local islands are possible. QSL via his home callsign.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Scott, NE1RD, will be active as J6/homecall between February 2-10th (2010). Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Members of the "Buddies in the Caribbean" DXpedition group which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna system is off again to a new DXpedition site on February 2-11th, 2010. This is an annual effort to demonstrate "ultra-lite" DXpeditioning into magnificent "vista" locations, operate a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all "have fun!" The nine operators from eight states will have fixed operations from a cliff-top villa and portable operations from various points on the island using CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are: Budd/W3FF, Chris/W6HFP, Scott/NE1RD, Dan/WZ1P, Steve/WG0AT, Mike/KC4VG, Guy/N7UN, Paul/KB9AVO and Wey/K8EAB. Licensing is not yet complete, but each operator is expected to receive their own callsign. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to operator's home callsign (SASE required). For more details, see:
http://sites.google.com/site/caribbeanbuddies/home
http://caribbeanbuddies.blogspot.com/

J8, ST. VINCENT. George, K2CM, will be active from the Island of Bequia, in The Grenadines (NA-025), between January 8th and February 12th (2010). Callsign was not provided. Activity will be on 20 meters using CW and SSB, and maybe 40 meters CW. QSL by the Bureau or direct (SASE/SAE) to K2CM.

JD1/O, OGASAWARA. OPDX was informed by Harry/JG7PSJ that Makoto/JI5RPT and he will once again be active from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between Sunday, December 27th, and Friday, January 1st (2010). Their callsigns will be JD1BLY (JI5RPT) and JD1BMH(JG7PSJ). Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to the JD1 callsigns or direct to their home callsigns. For more info, visit their Web pages at: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For November 23-22nd)....
Nov 23 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Nov 24 AN ---------------
Nov 25 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Nov 26 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Nov 27 AN LN - Low Normal
Nov 28 AN
Nov 29 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less

UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

MJ0, JERSEY. Mat, F5SHQ, will be active as MJ0ASP during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via F5SHQ.

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via WC4E. PLEASE NOTE: He may also use KP3Z as the callsign.

OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010. The following persons have been elected to committee the Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group Inc. for 2009/2010:
President : Bill Horner/VK4FW
Vice President : John Mcrae/VK5PO
Secretary/Treasurer : Eric Fittock/VK4NEF
Directors : Elvira Simoncini/IV3FSG
Mill Reiff/LX1CC
Chris Chapman/VK3QB
Eddie DeYoung/VK4AN
Web Master : John Mcrae/VK5PO
QSL Manager : Bill Horner/VK4FW

PB500, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event station PB500GT to be active between November 28th and December 13th. Activity is to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the "GREAT TOWER of BREDA" (in Dutch Grote Toren). Operators will operate at a height of 65m from the Great Toren. This Great Tower is located in the middle of the city. Operations will be on 80/40/20/2 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is Willem, PA1WLB. For more details about the tower, see:
http://www.torenbreda.nl
Also, look under PB500GT on QRZ.com.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
GA2MP QSL/LOG STATUS. QSL Manager Steve, N3SL, reports: "The special event callsign, GA2MP, will be retired on November 30th. Current logs are in LoTW as of November 19th. QSLs are on order but will not be in-hand before the December 31st cutoff for DXCC. If anyone needs a card for their 2009 DXCC submission, N3SL can fill your request using a GS2MP card. Simply indicate that with your QSL. Those who already have sent an SASE, please E-mail N3SL at <n3sl@...t> with a request to confirm using the GS2MP card. All others will be answered when the new cards arrive."

NEW QSL ROUTE FOR ZW5UN AND PT5UN. Irv, K3IRV, informs that he is now the QSL Manager for both ZW5UN and PT5UN. The QSL Manager was Oms, PP5EG. Since Irv was the QSL Manager for PP5EG, he talked to Oms and now he will also have the logs and cards for those two callsigns.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 7Q7AA, D2BB, PY1ZBA and S04R

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5H1EE, 5V7SE, 8R1DB, 8R1TO, 9G5ZZ, 9M6/JJ2CJB, 9Y4D, A61BK, A73A, BD9TD, C31CT, DX1J, EA9LZ, EK7DX, FK8GM, FO/G3BJ, FS/K1XM, GP0STH, J28JA, TK9X, VK9LA, WP3C, YI1RZ, ZK2NX and ZL7/N7OU

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3X5A, 5J0A, 5L2MS, 7Q7CE, 8R1XR, 9Y4W, FJ/DJ2VO, J5UAP, and V73PX

S2, BANGLADESH (IOTA DXpedition). Operators Tutul/S21RC, Manjurul/S21AM, Sohel/S21S and Aminul/S21D are preparing a DXpedition in February 2010 to St. Martin's Island (AS-127) located in Chittagong Region Group. Dates mentioned are February 21-25th. QSL Manager will be EB7DX. More details will be forthcoming.

ST, SUDAN. Robert, S53R, will be active as ST2KSS from Khartoum during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via ST2M or by his instructions.

ST26, SUDAN. Look for the special callsign ST26ASC to be used between January 22□28th (2010). This activity coincides with the 26th Arab Scouts Conference from Khartoum, Sudan. No other details were provided. QSL Manager will be ST2M.

TF, ICELAND (On the Birds!). Ari, TF3ARI, has been worked on AO-51! Ari first appeared on AO-51 on October 24th, using a TS2000 and just a vertical antenna. John, K8YSE, reports that he has E-mailed Ari and learned he has now installed a UHF preamp (so he can hear better). Since North America is always near the horizon for him, his vertical antenna and preamp work well (Not many trees in Iceland!). Watch for Ari on early morning weekend passes on AO-51. John states that Ari will be on again during most Sunday mornings.

TI5, COSTA RICA. Phil, N0KE, will be active as TI5/N0KE starting November 25th. QSL via his home callsign. He also plans to be active as TI5N during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via W3HNK or LoTW.

TJ, CAMEROON. Lionel, F5PSA, currently active as TJ3SL, will be here until around December 15th. His activity has been sporadic, but he is trying to be active daily, propagation permitting. Operations have been mainly 20 and 17 meters usually between 0930-1700z. QSL via F5PSA.

TM2, FRANCE. Look for TM2S to be used in the CQWW DX CW (October 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via F5PED. Operators mentioned are: Matt/ F5PED, Dany/F5CW, Bruno/F5AGB, Michel/F5IN, Emmanuel/F5NCU, Maurice/F5NQL, Serge/F6DZS and possibly Breton/F5QF.

TO4/FG, GUADELOUPE. Serge, F6AUS, will continue be active as FG/F6AUS until Match (2010). Look for him to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as TO4D. He plans to be active on 160-6 meters. Over the past weekend Serge was on 80/40/30 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign.

TO5, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Al, F5VHJ, will be active as TO5A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th, 2010) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power

entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND.. Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY continue to be active as TX3A until December 6th. As of print time, their log shows just under 27k QSOs. Activity has be on all HF bands but with an emphasis on the lower bands. Modes used have been on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HA7RY. For more detailed information and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.TX3A.com

V3, BELIZE. Alex, KU1CW, will be active as V31CW between November 23rd and December 2nd. His wife Natasha, KD0AKI, will also be active as V31YL. Alex is also expected to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to KU1CW.

V3, BELIZE. Wil, PA0WWV, will be active as V31WV from Sarteneja (northern Belize) between now and December 20th. Activity will be on CW and SSB using a FT1000mp MarkV w/amp at 750 watts. His antenna is a 30 ft. vertical close to the beach. QSL direct only with 2 USDs plus SAE (NO IRCs).

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Mike, W1USN, will once again be active as VP2MPR between February 28th and March 13th (2010). Mike will work mainly SSB and PSK31. Bob, AA1M, will also return to Montserrat and will operate mostly CW as VP2MPL between March 6-11th. QSL both operators via their home callsigns.

VP9, BERMUDA (Update). Bob, KE0UI, will be active from here between November 25th and December 1st, and will operate as VP9I in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via N1HRA. For details about the station and QSL route, visit: http://vp9ge.com/vp9i.htm
Bob will operate as VP9/KE0UI before and after the contest on 160-10 meters with an emphasis on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL VP9/KE0UI via his home callsign.

VU, INDIA (News). OPDX was informed by Prasad, VU2PTT, that Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN, who is the President of ARSI - the IARU recognized national organization of India, is reporting he spoke with the "Wireless Planning & Coordination Wing (WPC), India's Ministry of Communications and Inform-ation Technology Department of Telecommunications, and they have confirmed that the extra bandwidth (on 40m) has been officially released to VU radio amateurs based on the petitions given by ARSI on April 15, 2009, soon after the band was to be released as per agreement in WRC2003. VU hams can now officially use that extra bandwidth. Gopal also mentioned, "They have also confirmed that the other requests made by ARSI regarding 10 MHz and 50 MHz are also under consideration, so please wait for further news."

VU2, INDIA. Prasad, VU2PTT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry (or possibly a Single-Op/Single-Band [80m] entry). Entry depends on whether his beam will get fixed in time for the contest, or else he will do a full SOSB 80m running 400W to Inverted-L. QSL via the LoTW or direct using the info

on QRZ.com.

XU7, CAMBODIA (Update). Last week we mentioned that Peter, NO2R, will once again be active as XU7ACY from Sihanouk Ville during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Lower-Power entry. He informs OPDX that he will be there for another year or more. Look for him to be active on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via W2EN.

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11925. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-22 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11925

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 22 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 326 Issued at 2200Z on 22 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 21/2100Z
to 22/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. Region 1033 (N18W05) was the only spotted group
on the disk but appeared to have decayed to spotless plage by the
end of the period.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet during the past 24 hours. Solar wind
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velocities ranging between 460-560 km/s. Nonetheless the
interplanetary magnetic field was generally weak (typically 3-4 nT)
and the fluctuations in the southward component, Bz, were also weak
(typically between +/- 3 nT).
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (23-25 November).
III. Event Probabilities 23 Nov-25 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 22 Nov 076
Predicted 23 Nov-25 Nov 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 22 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 21 Nov 006/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 22 Nov 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 23 Nov-25 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 23 Nov-25 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 05/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11926. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-22 22:28:20 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 11926

Have you noticed that Paul is beginning to let those SFI numbers slip?

It seems that it happens every 25 days. It looks like he's losing his control at the SOL Factory. :-)

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From: Paul Dunphy
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(typically between +/- 3 nT).
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expected to be quiet for the next three days (23-25 November).
III. Event Probabilities 23 Nov-25 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 22 Nov 076
Predicted 23 Nov-25 Nov 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 22 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 21 Nov 006/008
Estimated Afr/Ap 22 Nov 005/005

Predicted Afr/Ap 23 Nov-25 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 23 Nov-25 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/10/10
Minor storm 05/05/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

11927. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-23 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11927

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 23 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 327 Issued at 2200Z on 23 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 22/2100Z
to 23/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The disk is currently spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 22/2100Z to 23/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet on days one and two (24-25 Nov). Based on
recurrence, an increase to unsettled conditions with a slight chance
for isolated active periods is expected on day three (26 Nov).
III. Event Probabilities 24 Nov-26 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 Nov 076
Predicted 24 Nov-26 Nov 075/075/075
90 Day Mean 23 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 22 Nov 002/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 23 Nov 001/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 24 Nov-26 Nov 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 24 Nov-26 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/10/20
Minor storm 01/05/10
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11928. TL8HW Silent Key

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-23 23:49:36 UTC
From: w4fc@aol.com
Topic: 11928 Message: 11928

It is with sadness that I report the passing of
Tracy Hull, TL8HW. In the late 1980's he was
very active from Bangui, Central African Republic.
He was a Baptist missionary and served there
for over 20 years until the political situation
prohibited him from returning. He died from a
heart attack at the age of 69 in Clermont, FL.
He gave out many new country contacts while
there.
Paul, W4FC, ex-WB4LFM

11929. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-24 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11929

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 24 2200 UTC
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# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 328 Issued at 2200Z on 24 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar Activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The disk remains spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled. The ACE spacecraft
detected the arrival of a co-rotating interaction region at
24/0600Z. Solar wind speeds began to increase at 24/0800Z and
reached about 450 km/sec by 24/1800Z. The elevated wind speed and
fluctuating Bt/Bz caused three unsettled periods, 24/1200-2100Z.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic activity on day one
(25 Nov) is expected to be mostly quiet with a chance for unsettled
periods due to persistence of current solar wind conditions.
Conditions are expected to be quiet to unsettled again on day two
(26 Nov) based on recurrence. Quiet conditions are expected to
return on day three (27 Nov).
III. Event Probabilities 25 Nov-27 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 Nov 075
Predicted 25 Nov-27 Nov 075/075/073
90 Day Mean 24 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 Nov 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 24 Nov 005/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 25 Nov-27 Nov 007/008-007/007-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 25 Nov-27 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/20/10
Minor storm 10/10/05
Major-severe storm 05/05/01
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11930. 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-24 22:19:38 UTC
From: kw3w
Topic: 11930 Message: 11930

Is anyone else having problems getting confirmations from either BT1OB, BT1OH, BT1OJ, BT1ON or BT1OY. I worked each station and forwarded cards with IRCs and SASEs to the QSl Manager (BA4EG) twice. I also sent inquiries to the email address posted for BA4EG on QRZ. I never received any type of reply. The website for the stations has been inaccessible sine the first of the year. Does anyone know of an alternate route? Thanks, Reggie (KW3W)

11931. Re: [DX-IS] 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-24 22:28:11 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11930 Message: 11931

Hi Reggie
My qso was with BT1OJ
This log excerpt shows the qsl route and that I sent a qsl in Jul 08 and
rcvd his qsl Nov 08

07/19/2008 13:00 14003.8 | qsls 2008/07/19 | qslr 2008/11/19 | Lupl
2008/07/19
QSL: Zheng Feng, BA4EG, 552-39-502 Zao Zhuang Lu, Shanghai, 200135, China

GL and 73
frank w0ecs

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> been inaccessible sine the first of the year. Does anyone know of an
> alternate route? Thanks, Reggie (KW3W)
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11932. RE: [DX-IS] 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-24 22:44:07 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11930 Message: 11932

I sent my cards via the bureau and have never heard of anyone receiving a QSL either that way or direct.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kw3w
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2009 6:20 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

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11933. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-24 23:29:25 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 9721 Message: 11933

The numbers are not boding well for the contest this weekend. Conditions here have not been particularly good these past few days. Tonight I am hearing 3V3S on 40 at an S-2. I worked 9L7NS, 9G5TT and 9L1NH on 20 earlier but they were a rough go. However, CN2R on 17 was a one-caller. And although I saw lots of intriguing spots on 17, I couldn't hear much. I'll be LP for the contest and fear I won't do well. But we live in hope.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2009 6:11 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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11934. RE: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-24 23:42:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11934

At 07:29 PM 11/24/2009, you wrote:
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>here have not been particularly good these past few days. Tonight I am
>hearing 3V3S on 40 at an S-2. I worked 9L7NS, 9G5TT and 9L1NH on 20
>earlier but they were a rough go. However, CN2R on 17 was a one-caller.
>And although I saw lots of intriguing spots on 17, I couldn't hear much.
>I'll be LP for the contest and fear I won't do well. But we live in hope.
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>73
>
>Al, VE1AL

The timing isn't great for the 28-day rotation, but sunspots can
and have been popping up more often so who knows? That prediction of
73 for 3 days hence is based on what they see now. Maybe the sun
will develop something in the next 3-4 days that will help things
over the weekend! Hope springs eternal.

Worked A31A and 5W0NH on 17M today (around 4-5 PM local) so
there is hope. They were not loud, but didn't seem to attracting
many callers either.

73, Paul VE1DX

11935. 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 01:48:21 UTC
From: kw3w
Topic: 11930 Message: 11935

Thanks to all who responded to my question regarding the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations. A Chinese amateur made contact with the QSL Manager on my behalf and the eleven confirmations are finally on the way. 73 Reggie (KW3W)

11936. Little Off Subject

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 03:21:16 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11936 Message: 11936

In goggleing for some info on a 4Z station, I ran across an item from their Postal Ministry, that indicated that if my xmas cards were forwarded to them, I could have them specially posted from the Holy Land. The web page was dated 1999, but I can't find anything else. I emailed the ham, but have not recieved a reply (possibly he does not check email very often).
Anybody know of such a program?

The only reason I asked on this board is that we deal with DX and he was a ham.

Happy turke y day to all!

Dale K8TS

11937. RE: [DX-IS] Little Off Subject

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 04:35:59 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11936 Message: 11937

For the cost of mailing the cards back to the USA + $10.00 to cover my cost of driving there, I will be happy to have the PO in Christmas Island, NS, hand frank the envelopes. They'd have to be in my hands no later than December 10th to reasonably guarantee delivery before Christmas. BTW, it is essentially US $1.00 to mail from Canada to the US and I would provide a Canadian Xmas stamp for your envelopes.

I'm a ham and I'm a lot closer than the Holy Land. :-)

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2009 11:21 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] Little Off Subject

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11938. Re: 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 12:11:46 UTC
From: johnb3030@comcast.net
Topic: 11930 Message: 11938

That is great news! I could use some of that kind of help.

I have sent for the QSLs direct three times with SAE and either IRCs or green stamps. (I've tried both!) The last time, I addressed the envelope in Chinese. No replies received.

I have also sent for the certificate. No luck with that either. I had enough points for the Gold level certificate.

I DID receive a prompt QSL from VR2008O, the Olympic station in Hong Kong.

This is very disappointing. The Chinese did a great job with the Olympics in general, and the five BT1O stations were very active. Unfortunately, their QSLing performance so far has been abysmal.

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John, K9MM

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11939. SV/A + VP8/F articles

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 12:57:10 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11930 Message: 11939

Guys,

There is a 15 page article about Mount Athos in the most recent National Geographic.

"Center of Orthodox monasticism for 1000 years, the self-governing peninsula of Mount Athos is virtually walled off from mainland Greece by rugged terrain and lack of roads, its 20 monasteries reachable only by boat"

No YL's allowed. As one monk says "If womem were to come here, two-thirds of us would go of with them and get married"

So there are another 19 possible monasteries for possible dxpeditions. Another part says there is no electricity. However, one pix shows one monastery clearly illuminated by electric lights. Monk Apollo clearly is getting his watts from somewhere.

Interesting reading.

Nice pixs and story about VP8/F too in same issue.

73 de Brian/K3KO

11940. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 13:02:44 UTC
From: Fred Souto Maior
Topic: 11930 Message: 11940

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Hi John/all:

Same story here ... Sent request for the award (Gold Level)+ $4 greens
and never received any
answer. But I received the Plaque for SA winner. It seems that the
manager for the award
isn't the same. I sent some E-mails but didn't received answers so I
think this is a lost
case. Best regards from Brazil.

Fred PY7ZZ

11941. Bands Open

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 14:28:26 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11941 Message: 11941

Wow!!! Bands have been nice lately. I have worked four all time new ones this week. That isn't saying much as I still need 20 or so, but is a good indicator of conditions and interest.

Win, W0LZ

11942. Re: Bands Open

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 14:56:58 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11941 Message: 11942

With the CQWW CW coming up this weekend, there are a number of places being "activated" that, while not exactly rare, are not exactly common either. Condx are just good enough that - before and after the contest - 17, 30 and sometimes even 12, will have activity in places that one might not hear on a regular basis.

Those periods either side of a big contest are often very interesting for those with "entities" still yet to chase!

Good luck!

My wife got all excited just a few minutes ago. There was an announcement for Somalia. I asked her what the call was and she said "T5TT!" I quickly responded "..Somalia is pretty tough these days - that's actually supposed to be 9G5TT in Ghana." Ghana isn't exactly rare, but you don't hear it every day. Somalia is another story. I wouldn't go there on a bet!

Art - N4PJ

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11943. Bands Open

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 15:14:38 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11941 Message: 11943

Jesus,..... I have been sitting here this morning listening to 9G5TT

and even I,..... would swear that he was saying T5TT,.....he is very hard to understand.(17 meters)..

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: aburkefl
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 8:56 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Bands Open

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11944. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bands Open

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 15:22:05 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11941 Message: 11944

Yes, I have worked a few of the contest station getting ready. Let us hope the take the opportunity to move around after the contest.

I saw the T5TT spot ??

I worked ZC4VJ on CW this AM with a pounding signal on 15 meters. For some reason I have never heard ZC on CW before. In fact, although I don't work RTTY, I was setting up RTTY yesterday, as I thought it would be the only way to work him.

It looks like I may live to see another sun spot cycle, HI.

Win, W0LZ

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11945. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bands Open

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 15:22:05 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11941 Message: 11945

At 10:56 AM 11/25/2009, you wrote:
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>places being "activated" that, while not exactly rare, are not
>exactly common either. Condx are just good enough that - before and
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You got it right, Art. Major contests bring out the rare stuff
and open dead bands. Too band more people wouldn't check 15/12/10
for beacons or just get on and call VQ. All most of us ever so is
make a quick spin of the band and assume it is dead, and go back to 20/17.

I'm gonna miss CQ WW this weekend. Have family obligations I
can't get out of! The best contest of the season, and I am not going
to be here. My oldest son decided he wanted to visit Cape Breton, so
we are going to head there Friday and come back Sunday. It is a God
forsaken place, and I can't understand why anyone would want to visit
there, let alone live there. Terrible place. Rotten weather and
rotten propagation. (This designed to get a response from VE1AL,
who will have to represent VE1 in the contest! :-))

Al, it will be a whirlwind trip, so unlikely I'll have any time
for an eyeball -- just hitting the Cabot Trail and a few other spots
of interest. I used to live on Dorchester Street in Sydney for 2
years in the early 1970s, right beside the tar ponds, and I want to
go back and see them for nostalgia reasons.

Now that I think about it, living beside all that toxic waste
could explain many things . . . :-)

73, Paul VE1DX/VE1/M

11946. SV/A + VP8/F articles

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 17:30:59 UTC
From: William Beyer
Topic: 11930 Message: 11946

Thank you so much Brain.....

Really enjoyed the article and photos.

Rec a QSL card last week from Monk Apollo, newer card. (RTTY QSO).

73

Bill / N2WB

"ALL GIVE SOME, SOME GIVE ALL"

----- Original Message -----
From: Brian Alsop
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 7:57 AM
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11947. Thanksgiving

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 18:23:11 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11947 Message: 11947

To all my stateside friends, a very Happy Thanksgiving.

I heard a fairly well-known east coast DXer today wish "happy holidays" to 7X2ARA. Please remember that the USA is the only country that celebrates Thanksgiving tomorrow. Canada, the only other country I know that does celebrate Thanksgiving, does so on the 2nd Sunday/Monday of October (our growing season is shorter :-)). Certainly there is no such holiday in the Moslem world and wishing happy holidays to someone who likely doesn't know what you're talking about is somewhat ludicrous.

Please eat lots and lots of turkey and fall asleep for the entire weekend so I can have the run of the bands in CQWW.

73

Al, VE1AL

11948. cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 18:23:11 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11948 Message: 11948

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I think the system needs better security. How to achieve that -- I haven't got a clue.

Rant over.

73

Al, VE1AL

11949. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bands Open

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 18:48:30 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 11941 Message: 11949

Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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> I'm gonna miss CQ WW this weekend. Have family obligations I
> can't get out of! The best contest of the season, and I am not going
> to be here. My oldest son decided he wanted to visit Cape Breton, so
> we are going to head there Friday and come back Sunday. It is a God
> forsaken place, and I can't understand why anyone would want to visit
> there, let alone live there. Terrible place. Rotten weather and
> rotten propagation. (This designed to get a response from VE1AL,
> who will have to represent VE1 in the contest! :-))
>
Obviously this is the reason that rain started to fall here this morning--in anticipation of your visit! :P BTW, VE1AL lives close enough to me that we can legally work Multi-Multi in contests, so I think that I can retort for him! Also, VE1GW isn't *that* far away, and he does pretty well in the contest, too!

73 & have a safe trip

Phil/VE1BVD
Sydney, NS

11950. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Bands Open

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 18:52:10 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11941 Message: 11950

Can't see much of the tar ponds any more, Paul. They're in the process (after 20+ years of arguing with the tree huggers about the best method) of filling the ponds with cement/concrete to contain the sludge. I don't know if you'd recognize Dorchester St. any more. Many of the old buildings near the old train station and bordering on the tar ponds have been torn down after fires or simple neglect.

As for a tour of the Cabot Trail in late November, good luck. The weather for the weekend is dismal. Best time to tour the trail in the autumn, as you probably already know, is during the middle two weeks of October!

However, if you have to, you have to. I certainly understand.

I've been scouring the bands the last few days and have happily added a whole bunch of the contest stations to the log. My time in the contest will be limited but I'll be in there LP.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 11:22 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Bands Open

At 10:56 AM 11/25/2009, you wrote:
>With the CQWW CW coming up this weekend, there are a number of places
>being "activated" that, while not exactly rare, are not exactly common
>either. Condx are just good enough that - before and after the contest
>- 17, 30 and sometimes even 12, will have activity in places that one
>might not hear on a regular basis.
>
>Those periods either side of a big contest are often very interesting
>for those with "entities" still yet to chase!
>
>Good luck!
>
>My wife got all excited just a few minutes ago. There was an
>announcement for Somalia. I asked her what the call was and she said
>"T5TT!" I quickly responded "..Somalia is pretty tough these days -
>that's actually supposed to be 9G5TT in Ghana." Ghana isn't exactly
>rare, but you don't hear it every day. Somalia is another story. I
>wouldn't go there on a bet!
>

>Art - N4PJ

You got it right, Art. Major contests bring out the rare stuff and open dead bands. Too band more people wouldn't check 15/12/10 for beacons or just get on and call VQ. All most of us ever so is make a quick spin of the band and assume it is dead, and go back to 20/17.

I'm gonna miss CQ WW this weekend. Have family obligations I can't get out of! The best contest of the season, and I am not going to be here. My oldest son decided he wanted to visit Cape Breton, so we are going to head there Friday and come back Sunday. It is a God forsaken place, and I can't understand why anyone would want to visit there, let alone live there. Terrible place. Rotten weather and rotten propagation. (This designed to get a response from VE1AL, who will have to represent VE1 in the contest! :-))

Al, it will be a whirlwind trip, so unlikely I'll have any time for an eyeball -- just hitting the Cabot Trail and a few other spots of interest. I used to live on Dorchester Street in Sydney for 2 years in the early 1970s, right beside the tar ponds, and I want to go back and see them for nostalgia reasons.

Now that I think about it, living beside all that toxic waste could explain many things . . . :-)

73, Paul VE1DX/VE1/M

Yahoo! Groups Links

11951. Off-topic (sort of) -- Xmas Postage

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 20:03:07 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 11951 Message: 11951

This is only sort of off topic because we *do* send QSLs direct,
sometime, don't we?

This item is certainly of interest to Canadian hams--I don't know if it
applies to the US or other countries--probably not as I don't think they
have to pay tax on stamps!

I just got back from the Post office and found out there that if you
have mail going outside Canada, and the total is more than $10.00, your
postage is tax-free!!! The only condition is that you must apply the
stamp(s) right there--you can't take them home and apply them later.
This would work for DX QSL cards, too, I would imagine.

Just thought you'd be interested...

73,

Phil/VEB1VD
Sydney, NS

11952. ARLP048 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 20:08:21 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7476 Message: 11952

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP048
ARLP048 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP48
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 48 ARLP048
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 25, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP048
ARLP048 Propagation de K7RA

This is a brief Propagation Bulletin preceding the Thanksgiving holiday. ARRL headquarters is closed on Thanksgiving Day and the day after, Friday, November 27. Part of the reason for the brevity is because of limited internet access at the moment. I hope to have another bulletin out Monday morning to catch up with the sunspot, solar flux and geomagnetic data normally at the bottom of this bulletin.

Last Friday's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP047 reported sunspot numbers for November 12-18 as 11, 0, 0, 11, 12, 0, and 29, and since then, November 19-24 they were 30, 31, 14, 13, 0 and 0. Nice conditions for the ARRL SSB Sweepstakes last weekend.

This weekend, November 28-29 is the CQ Worldwide CW DX Contest. Although recent activity seems a good trend, we have no indications when sunspots will return.

With increasing sunspot activity have come reports of openings on 15 meters.

Jack Emerson, W4TJE of Fancy Gap, Virginia says a friend in North Carolina copied the VR2B beacon (Hong Kong) at 21.15 MHz some mornings via long path.

Jack said he began listening, and most of the time the signal is barely copyable. But on November 23 at 1210z via long path Jack said he was able to hear the signal, although with S1 signal strength, 519. He was about to leave for work but decided to tune up the band, and on 21.255 MHz at 1212z found special event station VR2009EAG coming in very well at 5x5. Jack worked him with 100 watts, and swung another antenna around to the short path direction to make sure he was actually receiving the signal via long path propagation.

The evening before (November 22, local time) Jack heard more JA stations on 15 meters than he has ever heard during the new solar cycle. Jack worked UA0CM just after local sunset, with a 599 signal report.

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA reports recent openings on 12 meters.

Jon Jones, N0JK operated casually on a Sunday afternoon outing in the ARRL SSB Sweepstakes, and took along a 5 watt transceiver and a CB mag-mount whip. He was on a trap clay shoot outing at a friend's farm. Jack added some wire to the whip to get it to load on 15 meters, and reports "Figured it might be good enough to make a Q or two. To my surprise, it really got out! Over the next hour and a half I made 43 QSOs on 15 Meters, including some real DX like WP3R, AL1G and KH7XS. A number of stations commented 'great QRP signal!' Even some short E-skip to NM, TX and CO. But the comments that impressed me the most were: "thank you for getting on and helping out."

In Sweepstakes, weary contesters on Sunday afternoon digging for new calls really appreciate the casual operators getting on to give out some needed contacts. Jon's 43 contacts were with 20 sections.

Aki Akai, JQ2UOZ of Nagoya, Japan has also had good luck on 15 meters recently, running 500 milliwatts into a dipole on his apartment balcony. You can watch a video at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uvCsl327k5w showing his station and some contacts he made on November 22. He wrote to us last year (see 2008 Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP035 at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2008-arlp035.html) about a personal challenge to earn DXCC during the solar cycle minimum using only one-half watt. On November 15 he made 19 contacts with Czech and Slovak stations on 15 meters during the OK/OM DX Contest, and you can see his log of these contacts at, http://www.k4.dion.ne.jp/~jq2uoz/GoodEarsList.html.

Look for the data normally at the bottom of this bulletin in a dispatch early next week.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this
bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.
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11953. Re: [DX-IS] Thanksgiving

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 20:40:43 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11947 Message: 11953

At 10:23 AM 11/25/2009, Alan Leith wrote:
>...wishing happy holidays to someone who likely doesn't know
>what you're talking about is somewhat ludicrous.

When someone wishes me the best of a local holiday I accept it in the
spirit it was given and thank them. I use every opportunity I can
find to send good wishes regardless of the occasion, local, regional or global.

You're having another bad day, Al. ;)

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

11954. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 20:46:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11948 Message: 11954

At 02:23 PM 11/25/2009, you wrote:
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>I think the system needs better security. How to achieve that -- I haven't
>got a clue.
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>Rant over.
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>73
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>Al, VE1AL

There is no way to stop those brag spots, Al. If we locked out
all the calls who did that, half the DXers in the world would be on
the list! I see no point in "Look at meeeee!" spots either, but they
are a way of life these days.

On a related issue, there is work quietly being done to
associate spots with IP addresses. You would be amazed at what the
initial analysis of this data is showing. Not just where the bogus
spots for crap originate (that was the initial intent of the
project), but rather something more interesting. I suspect once this
is finalised, anyone looking at the data will see a clear pattern of
what is being done. Some of the spotters may find themselves a tad
embarrassed.

73, Paul VE1DX

11955. RE: [DX-IS] Thanksgiving

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 20:45:44 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11947 Message: 11955

Maybe, Dick, I'm just a little too sensitive!!!

No big deal. It is kinda like Ws sending me SASEs with US postage. In that case, I simply save them until I go the states or give them to someone returning to the states.

Actually, I'm having a reasonably good day -- I worked several new band countries!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dick Flanagan
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 4:41 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Thanksgiving

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dick@...

Yahoo! Groups Links

11956. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 21:21:06 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11948 Message: 11956

I follow the clusters like just about everyone else. But my interest is in the band/frequency info. I could do without the message info completely. I can go to the frequency and figure out for my self what his signal level is and where he is listening. I do like the spots when I am stalking the infrequent operator. They are great for plotting patterns of operation.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 2:46 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

> At 02:23 PM 11/25/2009, you wrote:
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11957. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 21:47:58 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 11948 Message: 11957

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> Win, W0LZ
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
> To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
>

11958. Re: cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 22:10:53 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11948 Message: 11958

Brian

The number of spots shouldn't bother you if you are running a packet application like Spotcollector. Only see one spot unless the freq varies by more than 'x'. Hovering over the spot shows the regions which has spotted it.

My slow burns are: 'no copy here' 'pls qsy for me' 'test' 'self spots by spotting another call' and my all time favor 'spotting someone before you work them'

Ciao
Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:
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11959. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11959

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 25 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 329 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar Activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar Activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet with two isolated unsettled
periods, 25/0000-0600Z. A secondary solar wind data source,
SOHO/MTOF, indicated the earth is currently in a high speed stream,
preceded by a co-rotating interaction region detected by the ACE
spacecraft early yesterday. Wind speeds, as measured by SOHO/MTOF,
averaged 430-470 km/sec during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled on day one (26 Nov) based on
recurrence. Quiet conditions are expected to return on days two and
three (27-28 Nov).
III. Event Probabilities 26 Nov-28 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Nov 074
Predicted 26 Nov-28 Nov 074/073/071
90 Day Mean 25 Nov 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Nov 003/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Nov 007/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Nov-28 Nov 007/-99999-005/-99999-005/-99999
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Nov-28 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/10/05
Minor storm 10/05/01
Major-severe storm 05/01/01
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11960. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 22:18:57 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11948 Message: 11960

At 05:47 PM 11/25/2009, you wrote:
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>necessary? You see it for all the DXpeditions. Several spots every
>minute for the same station on the same frequency is absurd. It's too
>bad that some algorithm can't cut down on this overkill.
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It can, Brian. KH2D's Wincluster Lite (no longer supported or available) had an option to dump spots that were replicated within 15 minutes or within 1 KHz. I enabled it and a number of users whined they wanted to re-spot and say "QSX 2.5 UP" or similar, so I turned it back on. No DX Cluster software that I am aware of today has that algorithm built in.

As for no comments. KH2D again had that option and when I enabled that, I got the same whines. It seems most users want the ability to spot whatever they feel like with whatever comments they like. There are multiple DX Cluster authors who offer various packages (DX Spider, AR-Cluster, CLX, CC Cluster, DxNet etc.) In order for any major changes to occur, they all would have to agree on the "best" way.

73, Paul VE1DX

11961. ARLD047 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 22:43:06 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 11961 Message: 11961

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD047
ARLD047 DX news

ZCZC AE47
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 47 ARLD047
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT November 25, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD047
ARLD047 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by HB9ERK, IK1QBT, K9WZB, NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

CYPRUS, 5B. Marios, 5B4WN will be QRV as C4W as a Single Op/All Band entry in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL via bureau.

SIERRA LEONE, 9L. Members of the VooDoo Contest Group will be QRV as 9L5A in the CQ WW DX CW contest. Before and after the contest, they are active as 9L1NH and 9L7NS on the newer bands. QSL 9L5A via G3SXW, 9L1NH via G3RWF and 9L7NS via AA7A.

BOTSWANA, A2. Mike, K9NW is QRV as A25NW until December 1. This includes an entry in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

QATAR, A7. Operators Ali, A71BX, Juma, A71EM and David, K5GN will be QRV as A73A in the CQ WW DX CW contest as a Multi Op/All Band/Single Transmitter entry. QSL via EA7FTR.

EASTER ISLAND, CE0. Lars, SM6CUK is QRV as CE0Y/SM6CUK until December 6. He is active using only CW. This includes an entry in the CQ WW DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL to home call.

MOROCCO, CN. Stefano, IK2QEI will be QRV as CN3A from Safi in the CQ WW DX CW contest possibly as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL via I2WIJ.

CUBA, CO. Look for CO8LY, CM8CAD and CO8TW to be Single Op/Low Power entries on 15, 40 and 160 meters, respectively, in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

TAJIKISTAN, EY. Nodir, EY8MM is QRV from Dushanbe and will be a Single Op/Single Band entry on 160 meters in the CQ WW DX CW

contest. QSL via K1BV.

JERSEY, GJ. Mat, F5SHQ will be QRV as MJ0ASP as a Single Op/Single Band entry on 80 meters in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

SWITZERLAND, HB. Look for special event station 4U1AIDS to be QRV from UNAIDS HQ in Geneva from December 1 to 7 as part of World AIDS Day. QSL via operators' instructions.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. A group of operators will be QRV as 6M0HZ/2 from Kanghwa Island, IOTA AS-105, in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL via DS2AGH.

ITALY, I. Tony, IK1QBT, Claudio, I1NVU and Emilio, IZ1GAR are QRV as IG9/home calls from Lampedusa, IOTA AF-019, until December 1. They will be active as IG9X in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL via IK1QBT.

GUAM, KH2. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be QRV as AH2R from Tumon, IOTA OC-026, as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL via JH7QXJ.

WAKE ISLAND, KH9. Colin, KH9/WA2YUN is usually QRV on the ANZA Net around 0600z. QSL via K2PF.

VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. Sharon, K7WZB and Garry, K9WZB will be QRV as K2V from Saint Croix Island, IOTA NA 106, from December 2 to 14. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. They will monitor 6 meters most of the time for any band openings. QSL direct via K9WZB.

SUDAN, ST. Robert, S53R will be QRV as ST2KSS from Khartoum as a Single Op/Single Band entry on 15 meters in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

CAMBODIA, XU. Peter, NO2R is QRV as XU7ACY from Sihanoukville and is here for another year. Activity is on all bands using CW and SSB. He will also be active as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL via W2EN.

GIBRALTAR, ZB. Jorma, OH2KI will be QRV as ZB2X as a Single Op/Single Band entry on 10 meters in the CQ WW DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide DX CW Contest and the NCCC Sprint will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. Please see November QST, page 86, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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11962. RE: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 23:09:54 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11948 Message: 11962

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Brian Alsop
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>>>SpotCollector does exactly that. It displays a table with one entry for each DX station active on/near a particular frequency in a particular mode. This entry shows when the station was first spotted, when it was most recently spotted, from where its been spotted, and all notes contributed in these spots. SpotCollector is free, and available via

<www.dxlabsuite.com>

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

11963. A31A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-25 23:54:45 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11963 Message: 11963

Currently mobile near Lincoln, Ne and hearing A31A on 18070 CW.

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

11964. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 00:10:29 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11948 Message: 11964

It's putting your log in the cluster for all to see what you've worked.
It's an ego thing. Remember? It's called compulsive behavior..
Narcisstemic Clusteritis Bingosis or NCB
Plus it's a vehicle for the rare DX to read your spot asking him [DX] to
listen for you or go to xx band or to whatever mode. A lot of that would
stop if the clusters were to disable the comments section. Many disable the
Announce part but why not comments?
BTW, I have Spot Collector 5.1.6 but no clue as to how to use it - dummy me.

Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: "Dave AA6YQ" <aa6yq@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 3:09 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] cluster rant

>>>>AA6YQ comments below
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of
> Brian Alsop
> Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 4:48 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant
>
>
> The question I have: Are a million spots of the same station really
> necessary? You see it for all the DXpeditions. Several spots every
> minute for the same station on the same frequency is absurd. It's too
> bad that some algorithm can't cut down on this overkill.
>
>>>>SpotCollector does exactly that. It displays a table with one entry for
> each DX station active on/near a particular frequency in a particular
> mode.
> This entry shows when the station was first spotted, when it was most
> recently spotted, from where its been spotted, and all notes contributed
> in
> these spots. SpotCollector is free, and available via
>
> <www.dxlabsuite.com>
>
>
> 73,
>
> Dave, AA6YQ

>

11965. DHDL Antenna Info

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 00:54:31 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11965 Message: 11965

Does anyone know where I can get more info on the 160 Antenna
the fellows on Chesterfield are using ?
I checked their Web site, but I need more information such as
Feed Points, Directions the wires run, etc., little stuff like that.

I would like to put one up here.

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

11966. RE: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 04:01:14 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11948 Message: 11966

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 7:10 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

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BTW, I have Spot Collector 5.1.6 but no clue as to how to use it - dummy me.

>>>Let me know when you're ready to give it a try, and I'll give you a call.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

11967. Re: cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 13:05:03 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11948 Message: 11967

Don't know about algorithms, but SpotCollector does just that. It "accumulates" the spots so you don't see the print go flying by on the screen, just the one spot. It literally "collects" the spots.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:
>
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> necessary? You see it for all the DXpeditions. Several spots every
> minute for the same station on the same frequency is absurd. It's too
> bad that some algorithm can't cut down on this overkill.
>
> 73 de Brian/K3KO
>
>
>
> Win wrote:
> > I follow the clusters like just about everyone else. But my interest is in
> > the band/frequency info. I could do without the message info completely. I
> > can go to the frequency and figure out for my self what his signal level is
> > and where he is listening. I do like the spots when I am stalking the
> > infrequent operator. They are great for plotting patterns of operation.
> >
> > Win, W0LZ
> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
> > To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> >
>

11968. Re: cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 13:03:42 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 11948 Message: 11968

As for plotting patterns of operation.....

SpotCollector (part of the DXLabs suite) has a very interesting feature. Actually, it has very many interesting features, but this one is "right up your alley."

You can right-click on a spot and open a separate dialog box that will show spots *only* for that station. For those who like to see where the stn appears to be operating (to help establish any possible patterns), the dialog box accumulates spots only for the station highlighted and you don't have to wade through spots for other bands/stations.

Dave, AA6YQ, keeps coming up with more and more goodies in his DXLab suite. Great stuff - and free.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Win" <winlyn@...> wrote:
>
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> the band/frequency info. I could do without the message info completely. I
> can go to the frequency and figure out for my self what his signal level is
> and where he is listening. I do like the spots when I am stalking the
> infrequent operator. They are great for plotting patterns of operation.
>
> Win, W0LZ
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
> To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 2:46 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant
>
>
> > At 02:23 PM 11/25/2009, you wrote:
> >>Is anyone else annoyed by the number of "tks new one" or "tks new band" or
> >>similar moronic remarks made on the cluster? Like, I mean I can live with
> >>it but it still annoys me greatly. Do the posters of such idiotic
> >>comments
> >>think I care, that the DX operator is sitting there reading the cluster
> >>spots and grinning because he's provided a new one, in fact, that anyone
> >>cares? Not bloody likely.
> >>
> >>Also, as others have pointed out, I am frustrated by the number of spots
> >>that appear with errors in the callsign. If you can't type, can't read CW
> >>or are just plain stupid, do not post to the cluster.
> >>
> >>I think the system needs better security. How to achieve that -- I

> >>haven't
> >>got a clue.
> >>
> >>Rant over.
> >>
> >>
> >>73
> >>
> >>Al, VE1AL
> >
> > There is no way to stop those brag spots, Al. If we locked out
> > all the calls who did that, half the DXers in the world would be on
> > the list! I see no point in "Look at meeeee!" spots either, but they
> > are a way of life these days.
> >
> > On a related issue, there is work quietly being done to
> > associate spots with IP addresses. You would be amazed at what the
> > initial analysis of this data is showing. Not just where the bogus
> > spots for crap originate (that was the initial intent of the
> > project), but rather something more interesting. I suspect once this
> > is finalised, anyone looking at the data will see a clear pattern of
> > what is being done. Some of the spotters may find themselves a tad
> > embarrassed.
> >
> > 73, Paul VE1DX
> >
> >
>

11969. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 14:47:02 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11948 Message: 11969

I thought there was a network setting which limited the forwarding of "exact spots" within ten minutes of each other to avoid flooding the network. But it may be the setting limits a user from originating the same spot information within a given period.

73 ES DX,

Gary - AB9M

From: Brian Alsop
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 3:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

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> infrequent operator. They are great for plotting patterns of operation.
>
> Win, W0LZ
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
> To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
>

11970. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 15:15:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 11948 Message: 11970

At 10:47 AM 11/26/2009, you wrote:

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>of "exact spots" within ten minutes of each other to avoid flooding
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3785.0 TX3A 26-Nov-2009 1431Z wkd 3760 <K6NA>
3785.0 TX3A 26-Nov-2009 1433Z 3695 VK NOVICE only... <ZL1DK>
3785.0 TX3A 26-Nov-2009 1435Z CQ Spread out Down 10-40 <ZL1DK>
3785.0 TX3A 26-Nov-2009 1441Z QSX DOWN 10 - 40 59 IN WA <W7TG>

Note that there are 2 at 13:48, and the deltas are < 10 minutes
in most cases. ZL1DK also seems to show it is not user based.

73, Paul VE1DX

11971. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 16:14:35 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 11948 Message: 11971

Lets give it a little humor:
From the DX cluster :

DX de VK5MAV: 3502.0 E74AW no ears 1717Z

DX de E74AW: 3502.0 VK5MAV but I have big mouth 1718Z

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2009 10:15 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

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11972. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 17:11:43 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 11948 Message: 11972

It was just a thought... and its possible that some nodes may limit users from spotting the same station on the same freq within ten minutes or so. K9USA seems to keep me from making duplicate spots. But your mileage may vary....

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2009 9:15 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

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11973. Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 17:10:23 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11948 Message: 11973

Then there's the other side of the coin - NO cluster spot
Una broma:
That reminds me of a local ham which I called on 2 mts once to advise him of a DX on the air. He replied that that station was not on frequecy because he wasn't posted on the cluster! I said..ok seems I just made a qso with a DX that isn't valid because he wasn't on the cluster... 73....bye....
I later confirmed the qso with HV0A on 10 mts. Funny he was never on the cluster...

73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: HK3CW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2009 8:14 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster rant

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.709 / Virus Database: 270.14.83/2528 - Release Date: 11/26/09 01:10:00

11974. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 22:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11974

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 26 1719 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 329 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar Activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar Activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet with two isolated unsettled
periods, 25/0000-0600Z. A secondary solar wind data source,
SOHO/MTOF, indicated the earth is currently in a high speed stream,
preceded by a co-rotating interaction region detected by the ACE
spacecraft early yesterday. Wind speeds, as measured by SOHO/MTOF,
averaged 430-470 km/sec during the past 24 hours.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled on day one (26 Nov) based on
recurrence. Quiet conditions are expected to return on days two and
three (27-28 Nov).
III. Event Probabilities 26 Nov-28 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Nov 074
Predicted 26 Nov-28 Nov 074/073/071
90 Day Mean 25 Nov 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Nov 003/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Nov 007/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Nov-28 Nov 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Nov-28 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/10/05
Minor storm 10/05/01
Major-severe storm 05/01/01
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11975. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-26 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11975

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 26 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 330 Issued at 2200Z on 26 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 25/2100Z
to 26/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. The visible solar disk
was spotless. No flares were observed during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 25/2100Z to 26/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet. One period of unsettled
conditions was observed at mid-latitude reported at 26/1200Z.
Observations from the ACE spacecraft show a continued decrease in
solar wind speeds. Velocities ranged from around 430 km/s at the
beginning of the period to around 375 km/s at forecast time.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (27-29
November).
III. Event Probabilities 27 Nov-29 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
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Observed 26 Nov 075
Predicted 27 Nov-29 Nov 073/071/070
90 Day Mean 26 Nov 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 Nov 004/005
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 Nov 004/008
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 Nov-29 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 Nov-29 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11976. [425ENG] 425 DX News #969 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-27 16:38:05 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11976 Message: 11976

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11977. 1997 TO0 Operations

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Date: 2009-11-27 20:04:45 UTC
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Does anyone recall where TO0CW and TO0RM operated from in early
September 1997 ?

Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ

11978. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #936

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 21st-November, through Friday, 27th-November there were 230 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FK/c, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9X, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4X, ISRAEL. Victor, RV2FW/1, will be active as 4X/RV2FW from a QTH on the Mediterranean coast between November 26-29th. His activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via the UA1 QSL Bureau.

4Z, ISRAEL. Alex, 4Z5KJ, will be active as 4Z5J during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via W0MM.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to NN1N.

9K, KUWAIT. Faisal, 9K2RR, will be active as 9K2HN during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Just a reminder that the members of the VooDoo Contest Group will be active during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th), signing 9L5A. This year the operators are Ned/AA7A, Nick/G3RWF, Fred/G4BWP, Bud/N7CW and Gary/ZL2IFB. They will enter the contest as a Multi-Two entry. Their activity in the contest will be on all six contest bands. For pre-contest activity, there may also be some operations on 30/17/12 meter bands and RTTY. QSL 9L5A via G3SXW (see QRZ.com). G3RWF may also activate his 9L1NH callsign, and AA7A his 9L7NS callsign. Please QSL via their home callsigns. There will be no daily logs, but LoTW upload will be done soon after returning home. No cash donations are requested for this project just the usual USD/IRC for direct cards.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA (Update/Callsign Change). Tony, KM0O, is currently active as 9M6LSC (not 9M6/KM0O as first reported) from the Langkah Syabas Beach Hotel club station until November 30th. Look for him to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. PLEASE TAKE NOTE: QSL this operation "ONLY" via KM0O. This callsign (9M6LSC) has been used before. Brian, 5B4AIZ/G4ODV, used it between March 6-9th, 2008. QSL this operation via G3SWH. For all other operations as 9M6LSC, QSLs should go via JN1WTK. For more info on the QSL routes, please check: http://www.qrz.com/db/9m6lsc

A3, TONGA (Island News/Update). Dave, W6ZL/A35KL, informs OPDX that he is now on Lifuka Island (OC-169) at the QTH of Paul, A35A [ex. A35RK]. He states, "Last week, I visited Andrea, IK1PMR, and the A31A team, now operating from Otu'haka resort on the western side of Tongatapu Island (OC-049). They have been busy working down the pileups on 30 and 40 meters CW and RTTY while assembling the rest of their contest antennas for a Multi/Single entry in CQWW DX CW Contest." See their Web page at: http://www.pacificdxpedition.com
Dave also mentions, "Paul and I plan to do some antenna work here and will operate the CQWW DX CW Contest as individual Single-Op entries." Listen for Paul as A35A Single-Op/Low-Power on 80 meters, and Dave as A35KL Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Lars, SM6CUK, will be active as CE0Y/SM6CUK through December 6th. Activity will be CW only on all bands including 30m. Look for him in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

CR5, PORTUGAL. Operators Marq/CT1BWW, Zoli/HA1AG and Con/DF4SA will be active as CR5X in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will have two fully equipped stations using 2 Spider-beam Yagis on 40-10m, and wire verticals on 40/80/160m using their 12m, 18m, and (for the first time) 26m fiberglass poles. This will be a temporary setup; an installation will start 40 hours before the contest. QSL via DJ9MH. They will confirm all QSOs automatically via the Bureau.

CW7, URUGUAY. Operators Pedtro/CX5BW, Tom/CX7TT and Fred/K9VV will be active as CW7T from La Paloma, Rocha, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via K5WW.

DT8, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. Sang, DS4NMJ, will once again be active as DT8A from the South Korea's Antarctic King Sejong Station which is located in the Barton Peninsula, on South Shetland Islands (VP8/h, IOTA AN-010) for 14 months. He will be leaving for VP8/H-land on November 29th and is expected to be there between December 5th (2010) and January 31st (2011). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HL2FDW.

E2, THAILAND. Wara, E21AOY, from Nonthaburi (near Bangkok) on the Island of Koh Phangan (AS-101), is always active QRP (4 watts). He is expected to be on during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (15m)/QRP entry. QSL via E21AOY.

E2, THAILAND. Paul, HS4DDQ, will be active as E20WXA during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via E20WXA.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Petr, OK1FCJ, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as EA9/OL8R and EA9/OK1FCJ before the contest. He informs OPDX that he plans to set up 2 verticals: one from SP7GXP (40-10m), and the other one from DF4SA Spiderbeam 18m (160/80/40m). Petr mentions that this will be a temporary set up, and he will be running only low power. QSL via OK1DRQ or by the Bureau.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Operators Jacques/F6BEE, Phil/FO8RZ, Nigel/G3TXF and Gilles/VE2TZT will be active between February 9-25th (2010). They plan to use a special callsign (TBA) and be active on 9 HF bands, 160-10 meters with a strong effort on the lower bands (160/80m). Also planned are entries in the CQ WPX RTTY and ARRL DX CW Contests. QSL via G3TXF.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Operators Olivier/F6ARC and Mike/FM5CD will be active as FM5CD during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/ High-Power entry. QSL via F5VU.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Operator Didier, FY5FY, will be active as FY5KE during the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-

Band/QRP entry. QSL via FY5KE.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. Operators Siegfried/DK9FN, Bernhard/DL2GAC and Hans-Peter/DG1FK will be active as H40FN (CW), H40MS (SSB) and H40FK (Digi-mode), respectively, from Ngarando/Reef Islands (OC-065) between February 6□19th (2010). Activity will be focused on 160/80m (using their famous LOBSTER 2-element multi-band vertical), but they will operate on 160-6 meters depending on the band conditions. QSL H40FN via HA8FW, H40MS via DL2GAC and H40FK via DG1FK. QSL cards will be sent out automatically via the Bureau. However, for those who want to receive their QSL cards directly, a minimum of 2 USDs for postage is requested. Donations are most welcome. For more details, updates and pictures/details of Siegfried's last visit to Temotu, please visit the following Web page at:
http://hari-ham.com/h40fn

HG0, HUNGARY (WFF Op). Members of the Regionalis Radios Sportklub Puspok-ladany (HA0KHW) will once again activate more Hungarian National Parks during the month of December. Look for them to be active as HG0WFF/p from:
December 5-6th - Duna-Drava Nemzeti Park (HAFF-003)
December 7-8th - Nyugat Mecsek Tajvedelmi Korzet (HAFF-033)
Decemebr 9-10th - Kelet Mecsek Tajvedelmi Korzet (HAFF-024)
Operators mentioned are: Laci/HA0HW, Viktor/HG0NDZ, Zoli/HA0IH, Tomi/HA4DX and Geza/HA4XG. QSL via HA0HW, by the HA QSL Bureau as usually.

HH2, HAITI. Steve, VE2TKH, is now active as HH2/VE2TKH from Petionville (South East) Haiti. His license is valid between November 23rd and December 15th. Activity will be limited between 0100-1100z due to power availability. Operations have been mainly on CW with a focus on 30/20/17/15 meters. QSL direct via M0URX. Bureau requests are available. See details at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form.html

HR, HONDURAS. Operators Victor/N8OO and Andrei/NP3D will be active as HR2/N8OO and HR2/NP3D, respectively, between December 10-20th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, RTTY and SSB. Also look for Victor to participate in ARRL 10 Meter Contest (December 12-13th) and Andrei in OK DX RTTY Contest (December 19th) as HQ2S. QSL via the following:
HR2/N8OO - via his home callsign or via UA9TF.
HR2/NP3D and HQ2S - via RW6HS or via W3HNK. LoTW is OK.

HS0, THAILAND. Finn, HS0/OZ1HET, will be active as HS0AC (the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand [RAST] club station) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via HS0ZFZ.

HS8, THAILAND. HS8KGG will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via HS8KGG.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-127. (Update/Rare IOTA) Last week we reported that operators Tutul/S21RC, Manjurul/S21AM, Sohel/S21S and Aminul/S21D were preparing a DXpedition in February 2010 to St. Martin's Island located in Chittagong Region Group. The operation will take place

between February 21-25th. The group has requested the callsign S21DX. St. Martin is the only coral island in Bangladesh (S2), and there is also a lighthouse on the Island (WLOTA #2351) very near their camp site. There is no electricity and no motor vehicles on the Island which makes the air interference free. They team plans to have two stations on the air with a few antennas like last time. To power the stations they will use 1KVA generator and 2x 115AH batteries. QSL Manager will be EB7DX. The group is looking for sponsors/funds. A Web page is now up and running at: http://iota.s2dx.org

NA-191. Operators Gunter/TI7WGI, Andreas/DH8WR, Rene/DL2JRM and Jens/DL3ALF will be active as TI7XX from San Jose Island between December 30th and January 5th (2010). Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DL2JRM direct or by the Bureau. For more info, visit their Web page at: http://ti7.info/index.html

OC-042. Alex, DV1UBY, continues to be active as 4D1N from Quezon City, on Luzon Island (OC-042, WLOTA L0081), The Philippines, until the end of the year. His activity has been on 40/20/15 meters using only 10 watts. Look for him to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry QSL 4D1N via DV1UBY, by the Bureau or direct.

OC-197. Adhi, YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/P from Bawean Island between December 4-9th. Activity will be limited to 15 meters CW. QSL via IZ8CCW.

IRC REMINDER! Alan, VK4AAR, and many other QSL Managers would like to remind that in about 5 weeks time, the IRCs which many have been using for the last few years will no longer be valid at the post office. The "31st December 2009" is the deadline for the current style ... but best to stop using them by end of November to allow transit time. The new one has the expiry date of "31st December 2013"... just above the "UPU" logo at your right-hand side. PLEASE START USING THEM IMMEDIATELY FOR SAFETY.

IU9, ITALY. Fabio, IT9GSF, will be active as IU9T from Sicily during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via IT9GSF. He states this is a serious attempt as SO2R (Single-Op/2-Radios). Fabio will have yagis on 4 bands, a vertical on 80m and a an Inverted L on 160m at 21m. He will use beverages for RX. He adds, "Extremely good location for USA and Asia on the low bands (800m asl and slope terrain)."

J3, GRENADA. Tom, VE3RSA, will be active as J38XJ during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/QRP entry. QSL via LoTW. Tom informs OPDX that his activity outside of the contest will be CW only, mostly on 40/20/15 meters, and depending on conditions possibly 10m. He will operate until December 3rd.

JA'S TOP 50 MOST WANTED (Interesting!). An interesting "Most Wanted DXCC Entity Survey" took place in Japan in September by "The PaperDXers". The results were published in the Japan "CQ" ham radio magazine as well as on Yutaka, JQ2GYU, Web page. See the results at: http://www.sakurai.or.jp/HAM/html/WANTED-JA.html

KG6, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will be active as KG6DX in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power/Assisted entry. QSL via KG6DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. Also LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For November 30th-December 6th)....
Nov 30 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Dec 1 AN ---------------
Dec 2 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Dec 3 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Dec 4 AN LN - Low Normal
Dec 5 AN
Dec 6 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Jukka, OH6LI, will be active as OH0V in the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/Single Band (160m) entry. He plans to use a new antenna system. For details, view the Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/oh0v

OY6, FAROE ISLANDS. Operators Johan/OY2J and Tom/OY3AA will be active as OY6A from Torshavn (EU-018) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW. Visit the Faroese Radio Amateurs Web page at: http://www.fra.fo

P3, CYPRUS. Operators Andrey/RV1AW, Vitaly/RN4WA, Alex/RU4HP, Sandy/RW4WR and Harry/RA3AUU will be active as P33W during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via RA3AUU.

P4, ARUBA. John, KK9A, will be active as P40A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via WD9DZV.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Some of members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will once again activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) as PJ2/homecall through the end of November. Operators mentioned are Geoff/W0CG (PJ2DX), Jeff/K8ND, Jim/W0NB, Jim/W8WTS, Jim/WI9WI, Mal/NP2L, Rodger/N4RR, Jeff/KU8E and Anthony/W4OI/HK4AR. Their main goal is the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th), as a Multi-2 entry (possibly a Multi-Multi) using the callsign PJ2T. QSL PJ2T via N9AG or LoTW. QSL all others via their home callsigns.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
Algarve STAR DX Team reports that 90% of the direct requests for the 4W6AL QSL cards were sent out on Monday, November 23rd. Some cards

were received this past week from several stations in Europe. The other 10% will be sent out next week.

Algarve STAR DX Team reports their last CR6A activity from Fuzeta Barra Lighthouse - East Point (POR-116) ended on November 22nd! They had 5 stations on 5 bands and worked 2500 stations. Logs and pictures will be online very soon on: http://algarvedx.com

Charlie, N4CT, informs that thanks to Les, K4DY, for "prodding" him to get on LoTW, he is now on LoTW and has uploaded most of the HS0ZDR logs. So now, QSL HS0ZDR via Tony, W4FOA, or LoTW.

TM0M QSL STATUS. Leon, ON4ZD/OS0S, informs OPDX that the QSLs for the TM0M IOTA EU-065 activation from May 2009 has been received from the Ukraine by the Manager F6ANA. All QSLs will be sent in the next days direct and by the Bureau. Online log is still available at: http://users.belgacom.net/cdxg

QSLS VIA LoTW: 4U1UN, 5N0OCH, A25/DL7DF, A52OM, AO8HQ, DR1A, DX1J, EA1DR, FM5CD, FO8RZ, G3XRJ, GI5K, HK1X, HS0ZDR, MW0CRI, OA4AHW, OQ5A, PR1T, RA0FU, S58P, SI6A, SN0HQ, S04R, T88CI, TK5EP, TX3A, VK4KW, WP2B, YR0HQ, Z36W and ZS2EZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4U1UN, 4W6AL, A41MX, CP4BT, E51NOU, FG5LA, FO/G3BJ, GT4IOM, GW5NF, J5UAP, J69MV, KD6WW/VY0, R1ANB, VQ9LA, YO4ATW and ZL7/N7OU

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L6DL, 4W6R, 5B4KH, 5X1NH, 8N4HQ, AO5HE, C4EURO, CK3AT, CP4BT, CQ7P, CS8HQ, E7/YT2ED, E73MMM, EA4TV, EA6/GW0VML/p, EA7TN, EB1DH, EB7DX, EG5T, EH5H, EK8PL, GB2BML, GB2CLB, GM1MVL/P, GM3USR/P, HG80HQ, HL0HQ, IB0/IZ2ACD, IB0CW, II2MM, II7PAX, II9LXCT, IK2YGZ, IM0/IW2MXY, IO5O, IQ0IPY, IQ3UD, IQ8OM, IR8PS, IU1L, IZ8EPX, LZ6A, MJ/OE5HDN, MM0BNN/P, MX0SSW, OZ6AGC, P3CA, PJ2X, R300SM, S51F, S56DX, SP0177JG, SV2GWY, SV9GPV, SX24EVI, SX24KZN, SX24LRS, T88CQ, TC0W, TK7C, TU/DB1DT, UA4PWR, UR7GW/p, VC1T, VC3A, VC3E, VO1MX, VY2TT and YQ9W

SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR. Ghis, ON5NT, will once again be on a South American trip through Brazil and Uruguay in December. He informs OPDX that there will not be any activity from Brazil as there is no reciprocal license between ON and PY (He states, "I can't get a PY license. Operating with my CEPT license/PY does not seem to be fully legal."). However, Ghis will be active from Uruguay between December 12-17th. His callsign will be CX5NT. As this is holiday trip, he plans to be active mostly during the local evening/night hours. So check 30m (10107 being his preferred frequency) and 40m (CW in general) will be the best options to catch him. QSL via ON5NT.

ST, SUDAN (Update/Callsign Change). Robert, S53R, will be active as ST2AR from Khartoum during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via S53R or by his instructions.

TF, ICELAND. Operators Yngvi/TF3Y, Kristinn/TF3KX, Oskar/TF3DC, Thor/TF4M and Odurr/TF3OO will activate the club station TF4M in Otradalur during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via G3SWH.

TF, ICELAND. Darren, G0TSM, will be active as TF/G0TSM during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Operations will be limited. QSL via LoTW or direct to G0TSM.

TI, COSTA RICA. Marty, K2PLF, will be active as TI5/K2PLF between now and December 1st. His activity includes the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry using the callsign TI5A. QSL via TI5KD or K2PLF.

TX1, NEW CALEDONIA. Sam, FK8DD, will be active as TX1B from Noumea, New Caledonia (OC-032), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LZ1JZ .

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND. Only a few more days to work operators George/ AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY as TX3A before they depart for Australia on December 1st (not December 6th as reported earlier - QRT on November 30th - a delay could happen because of WX). As of print time their log shows just under 35k QSOs. Activity has been on all HF bands but with an emphasis on the lower bands. Modes used have been on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HA7RY. For more detailed information and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.TX3A.com
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Tomi plans to be active (as TX3A) during the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. Also, QSL via HA7RY.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Mike/KM9D and Jan/KF4TUG, aboard the "Don Henry", are reportedly heading to Pohnpei. No other details were reported. Stay tuned!

YE1, INDONESIA. Gus, YB1ALL, will be active as YE1C from Indonesian Aerospace Industry Center during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. See QSL info on QRZ.com.

ZC4, UK SOV. BASE AREAS ON CYPRUS. Andy, G3AB, will be active as ZC4T during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL ZC4VJ via LoTW or direct to M0URX.

ZONE 23 (Top-Band DXpedition). Peter, RX0AE, is planning a TOPBAND DX-pedition to Zone 23 by the end of 2010 (November-December). He wants to use the best propagation conditions and work as many DXCC entites as possible. He states, "The expedition will require a lot of preparations. I would like to know your opinion - is Zone 23 still on a top of Most Wanted, and what bands is it most needed on?" You can E-mail him with your answer at the following addresses: RX0AE@...
RX0AE@...

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 28-29th, 2009)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2009 CQWW DX CW Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2009.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcd2009.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcz2009.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3G1X Chile 12 SOSB 20M XQ1IDM
3V3S Tunisia 33 M/S DL9USA
3Z40KP Poland 15 SOAB SP5KP
4D1N Philippines 27 SOAB DV1UBY
4L8A Georgia 21 SOSB 20M K1BV
4L0A Georgia 21 SOAB HP EA7FTR
4U1ITU ITU Geneva 14 M/S
4X/RV2FW Israel 20 SOSB 40M UA1 Buro
4Z5J Israel 20 SOSB 80M W0MM
5B/G4IRN Cyprus 20 SOSB LoTW
5B/HA5PP Cyprus 20 SOSB HA5PP
5N7M Nigeria 35 SOAB OM3CGN
5R8ZO Madagascar 39 SOAB OH0XX
6M0HZ/2 South Korea 25 M/? HL1IWD Buro
6V7R Senegal 35 SOAB HP UT5UGR
6W1RW Senegal 35 SOAB HP LoTW
8P5A Barbados 08 SOAB HP LoTW
8P9SS Barbados 08 SOAB LP LoTW
9J3A Zambia 36 SOAB LP S57S Direct
9K2HN Kuwait 21 SOSB 80M 9K2HN
9L5A Sierra Leone 35 M/? G3SXW
9M6LSC East Malaysia 28 SOAB only KM0O
A25NW Botswana 38 SOAB K9NW
A31A Tonga 32 M/S PA3LEO
A35A Tonga 32 SOSB 80M LoTW
A35KL Tonga 32 SOAB LoTW
A65DLH United Arab Emirates 21 M/? DO7ZZ
A73A Qatar 21 M/S EA7FTR
AH2R Guam 27 M/S JH7QXJ
AH0/AH2Y Mariana Islands 27 Auto Buro
AN4A Spain 14 SOAB LP EA4CWN
AN8R Canary Islands 33 M/? EA8AY
B7P China 24 M/M BD7IXG
BA4 China 24 SOAB JK2VOC Direct
C4I Cyprus 20 M/? LZ2HM
C4W Cyprus 20 SOAB LoTW
C91LW Mozambique 37 SOAB HP UY5LW

CE0Y/SM6CUK Easter Island 12 SOAB LP SM6CUK
CN3A Morocco 33 SOSB 40M I2WIJ
CM8CAD Cuba 08 SOSB 40M CM8CAD
CO6LP Cuba 08 SOSB 40M CO6LP
CO8LY Cuba 08 SOSB 15M EA7ADH
CO8TW Cuba 08 SOSB 15M HB9SVT
CR2X Azores 14 SOAB HP OH2BH
CR3E Madeira 33 SOAB LoTW
CR3L Madeira 33 M/2 DJ6QT
CR5X Portugal 14 M/S Buro Auto
CR6T Portugal 14 SOSB 20M Buro Auto
CT8T Portugal 14 SOSB 20M Auto Buro
CW7T Uruguay 13 M/S K5WW
CX9AU Uruguay 13 SOAB CX9AU
D4C Cape Verde Island 35 SO CT1ESV Buro
DR1A Germany 14 M/M LoTW
DL1A Germany 14 M/2 DJ6ZM
E21AOY Thailand 26 SOSB 15M E21AOY
E20WXA Thailand 26 SOSB 40M E20WXA
E21EIC Thailand 26 SOAB LoTW
E21IZC Thailand 26 SOSB 20M E21IZC Direct
E20YLM Thailand 26 SO LP LoTW
E73M Bosnia & Herzegovina 15 M/S K2PF
EA8CMX Canary Islands 33 SOSB OH2BYS
EA8URL Canary Islands 33 M/M EA8URL
EA9/OL8R Ceuta & Melilla 33 SO LP OK1DRQ
EE2W Spain 14 M/M EB2BXL
EF8M Canary Is 33 SOAB HP UA3DX
EY8MM Tajkistan 17 SOSB 160M LoTW
FM5CD Martinique 08 M/S F5VU
FO8RZ French Polynesia 32 SOAB LoTW
FY5KE French Guiana 09 SOAB QRP
GJ2 Jersey 14 SOAB HP LoTW
GM7V Scotland 14 SOAB HP M0CMK
GM0EGI Scotland 14 M/S GM0EGI
GU4YOX Guernsey 14 SOSB 20M LoTW
HC8N Galapagos Islands 10 M/M W5UE
HI3TEJ Dominican Republic 08 SO LP ON4IQ
HS8KGG Thailand 26 SOAB HS8KGG
HS8JYX Thailand 26 SOSB 20M LoTW
HS8KAY Thailand 26 SO LP HS8KAY
HS0AC Thailand 26 SOAB HS0ZFZ
HS0EHF Thailand 26 SO LP HS0EHF
IG9U African Italy 33 SOSB 80M I1NVU
IG9W African Italy 33 SOSB 40M IZ1GAR
IG9X African Italy 33 SOSB 15M IK1QBT
IR2C Italy 15 M/S IW2HAJ
IR9Y Sicily 15 M/S IT9ABY
IU1A Italy 15 SOAB IK1SPR
IU9T Sicily 15 SOAB IT9GSF

IR9X Sicily 15 SO IW9HLM
IY3XX Italy 15 SOAB IV3ZXQ
J38XJ Grenada 08 QRP LoTW
JV1A Mongolia 23 SOAB
K1LZ USA 05 M/M K1LZ
KG6DX Guam 27 SOAB HP LoTW
KH6ZN Hawaii 31 SOAB HP AI4U
KH0/WX8C Mariana Islands 27 Auto Buro
KP2M Virgin Island 08 M/? AI4U
LN3Z Norway 14 M/S LA9VDA
LQ0F Argentina 13 SOSB 40m LoTW
LR2F Argentina 13 M/S LU2FA
LU8YE Argentina 13 M/2 EA7FTR
LX7I Luxembourg 14 M/M LX2A
LY7A Lithuania 15 M/M LoTW
LZ9W Bulgaria 20 M/M LZ9W Buro
M7A England 14 SOSB 40M M7A Buro
MD4K Isle of Man 14 SOSB 15M G3NKC
MD6V Isle of Man 14 SOSB 20M G3NKC
MJ0ASP Jersey 14 SOSB 80M MJ0ASP
MZ5B Shetland Islands 14 SOSB LoTW
NP4Z Puerto Rico 08 SOAB HP WC4E
OH2U Finland 15 M/? OH2IW
OH0V Aland Island 15 SOSB 160M OH0V Buro
OH0Z Aland Island 15 SOAB HP W0MM
OL7R Czech Republic 15 M/? OK1WMV
OM/SQ9UM Slovakia 15 SOAB LP SQ9UM
OP4K Belgium 14 SOSB 20M OP4K
OP5T Portugal 14 SOAB HP ON5UM
OY6A Faroe Island 14 M/S LoTW
OZ5E Denmark 14 M/2 OZ5E Buro
P33W Cyprus 20 M/S RA3AUU
P40A Aruba 09 SOAB WD9DZV
P40W Aruba 09 TBD LoTW
P49Y Aruba 09 SOAB HP AE6Y
PJ2T Netherlands Antilles 09 M/2 N9AG
PJ4A Netherlands Antilles 09 M/S K4BAI
PP5BZ Brazil 11 SOAB PP5BZ
PT5UN Brazil 11 M/S K3IRV
R3/SM6LRR Russia (Europe) 16 SOSB 80M SM6LRR Bur
RA9A Russia (Asia) 17 M/M LoTW
RG3K Russia (Europe) 16 SOAB UA3QDX
RL4R Russia (Europe) 16 SOSB 40M LoTW
RM3F Russia (Europe) 16 M/S LoTW
RN9S Russia (Asia) 16 M/? RN9SXX
RT3F Russia (Europe) 16 M/S RK3DZB
RU1A Russia (Europe) 16 M/S RU1A
RW2F Kaliningrad 15 M/? DK4VW
ST2AR Sudan 34 SOSB 15M S53R
SV9COL Crete 20 SOAB LoTW

T48K Cuba 08 M/S DK1WI
T70A San Marino 15 M/? SB 80M
T88CI Palau 27 SOAB HP LoTW
TF/G0TSM Iceland 40 SOAB LoTW
TF3CW Iceland 40 SOSB 40M LX1NO
TF4X Iceland 40 M/S G3SWH
TI5A Costa Rica 07 SOSB 20M TI5KD
TI5N Costa Rica 07 SOSB 15M LoTW
TK/IZ8GCB Corsica 14 SOSB 40M IZ8GCB Direct
TM2S France 14 M/S F5PED
TM4Q France 14 SOAB F6FYA
TM0R France 14 M/S F5GGL
TO4D Guadeloupe 08 SO
TO5T Martinique 08 SOAB HP JE1JKL
TX1B New Caledonia 32 SOAB LP LZ1JZ
TX3A Chesterfield Island 30 SO LP HA7RY
UA3R Russia (Europe) 16 M/S LoTW
UA9CLB Russia (Asia) 17 SOAB HP
UT7L Ukraine 16 M/S LoTW
UU7J Ukraine 16 M/? UU0JM
UZ2M Ukraine 16 M/S US0LW
V26K Antigua 08 SOAB LP AA3B
V31CW Belize 07 SOAB LP LoTW
V47NT St Kitts & Nevis 08 SOAB HP W2RQ
VC3O Canada 05 SO VE3AT
VE2IM Canada 02 SOAB HP direct
VK6AA Australia 29 M/S DL8YR
VK8NSB Australia 29 SOAB VK6NE
VK9XW Christmas Island 29 M/? LoTW
VP5 Turks & Caicos 08 M/?
VP9I Bermuda 05 SOAB LP
VU2PAI India 22 SOAB HP VU2PAI
VU2PTT India 22 SOAB HP LoTW
WP3C Puerto Rico 08 SOSB 80M W3HNK
XU7ACY Cambodia 26 SOAB LP W2EN
XW1B Laos 26 SOAB E21EIC
YB0ECT Indonesia 28 SOSB 20M K3AIR
YL/4L3A Latvia 15 SOSB 160M LY4A
YM3A Turkey 20 SOSB 40M LZ1NK
YN2GY Nicaragua 07 LoTW
YS4U El Salvador 07 M/S N0AT
YW4D Venezuela 09 SOSB 40M LoTW
ZB2X Gibraltar 14 SO OH2KI
ZC4T SBA Cyprus 20 SOAB LoTW
ZD8RH Ascension Island 36 SOAB LoTW
ZF2AM Cayman Islands 08 SOAB LoTW
ZM1A New Zealand 32 M/2 ZL1AMO
ZM4T New Zealand 32 M/2 ZL2AL
ZP0R Paraguay 11 SOAB ZP5AZL
ZS4TX South Africa 38 SOAB LoTW

ZW5UN Brazil 11 M/S K3IRV

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11979. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-27 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11979

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 27 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 331 Issued at 2200Z on 27 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 26/2100Z
to 27/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. The visible disk remains
spotless. No flares were observed during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 26/2100Z to 27/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. The ACE spacecraft show solar wind
velocities averaging around 350 km/s.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (28-30 November).
III. Event Probabilities 28 Nov-30 Nov
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 27 Nov 074
Predicted 28 Nov-30 Nov 071/070/070
90 Day Mean 27 Nov 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 26 Nov 003/006
Estimated Afr/Ap 27 Nov 002/003
Predicted Afr/Ap 28 Nov-30 Nov 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 28 Nov-30 Nov
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11980. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-28 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11980

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 28 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 332 Issued at 2200Z on 28 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 27/2100Z
to 28/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. There are no spots
visible on the solar disk. No flares were observed during the past
24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 27/2100Z to 28/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (29 November - 01
December).
III. Event Probabilities 29 Nov-01 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 28 Nov 073
Predicted 29 Nov-01 Dec 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 28 Nov 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 27 Nov 000/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 28 Nov 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 29 Nov-01 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 29 Nov-01 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
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11981. New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 03:07:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11981 Message: 11981

Has anyone had any experience with, preferably a new laptop with Windows 7?

TIA - Rene

11982. Re: [DX-IS] 1997 TO0 Operations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 03:29:51 UTC
From: Luciano
Topic: 11977 Message: 11982

Dear DICK: There is nothing in the 1997 DX bulletins.

73 de Luciano PT7WA

RICHARD SOLOMON escreveu:
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> Does anyone recall where TO0CW and TO0RM operated from in early
> September 1997 ?
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> Thanks, Dick, W1KSZ
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11983. RE: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 04:30:28 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 11981 Message: 11983

You really like pain ....

HI HI

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: tagteam@...
Date: Sat, 28 Nov 2009 19:07:42 -0800
Subject: [DX-IS] New computer

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7?

TIA - Rene

11984. Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 17:30:58 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 11981 Message: 11984

On Sat, Nov 28, 2009 at 11:07 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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Yes, I set up Druple (database engine development system for web applications) on one for a friend. Went very smoothly and I must say at first glance at least Windows & seems to be what Vista should have been. Seemed to run with out any problems. Being a development system required a fairly complex setup which went very smoothly even though the software was not designed explicitly for Windows 7. I have a machine here that looks like a candidate for upgrading to Windows 7 which I will get to after CQWW and the paper work for it is finished. ;-)

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

11985. Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 17:38:50 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 11981 Message: 11985

I honestly think Microsoft mainly comes up with new Windows programs just because they've saturated the market with the older one and their sales are dropping. I have seen nothing wrong with XP and I don't know what Windows 7 will have that XP doesn't that I would need myself.

I've installed XP 64-bit on two computers now and it is a nightmare to install. I learned all the difficultes and problems with it, though. If anyone is ever planning on installing it, I can give you a lot of tips. :-)

Back to CQWW CW. 40 meters was terrible last night and even at sunrise here. I have never seen such bad conditions on that band. I hope we get sunspots by next year.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Nov 29, 2009 at 11:30 AM, Geoff Wilson <ve1gw.sydney@gmail.com>wrote:

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> Geoff
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11986. Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 17:39:39 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11981 Message: 11986

Tnx Geoff,
My wife is thinking of getting a new laptop and me thinks everything comes with Windows 7 these days. We still have XP. I'm thinking of getting an Elcraft K3 in a few months which might interface with Win 7. She's thinking of a Dell but a friend who checks stocks, etc., seems to think Dell is going out of business. What is popular today and can be used with DXLabs?

73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Geoff Wilson
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 9:30 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New computer

On Sat, Nov 28, 2009 at 11:07 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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Geoff
VE1GW

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.709 / Virus Database: 270.14.87/2534 - Release Date: 11/28/09 23:49:00

11987. RE: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 17:45:33 UTC
From: Dick Williams
Topic: 11981 Message: 11987

I have upgraded two desktops and one laptop to Windows 7 with minimal problems; biggest is HP has not updated their drivers for my OfficeJet L7780 wireless printer. Called them and they said to use the Windows drivers with a USB cable. Great solution if you don't mind dragging a 100 ft USB cable all over the house so you remain connected to the printer!! Hopefully by the next millennium they will release new drivers.

My laptop had VISTA on it, and the upgrade was very easy and took about 30 or so minutes. My two desktops had XP and you need to do a fresh install; Microsoft does have a program that will save your files, but you need to re-load all your programs. Personally, I found it much easier to insert my XP disk, format the hard drive and do a fresh install of XP. Once that finished I, installed Windows 7; took about 30 minutes and I proceeded to install my programs (I keep all files that I do not want to lose backed up on disk, so it was easy to copy those back into the programs).

The only other recommendation I can make is to stick with the 32 bit version. Chances are 99% that you don't need over 3 Gb of memory, you are using applications that require 64 bit, and there are a lot more applications that will not run on the 64 bit version.

Dick K8ZTT

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2009 8:08 PM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] New computer

Has anyone had any experience with, preferably a new laptop with Windows 7?

TIA - Rene

_____ Information from ESET NOD32 Antivirus, version of virus signature database 4646 (20091129) _____

The message was checked by ESET NOD32 Antivirus.

http://www.eset.com

11988. RE: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 20:10:21 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11981 Message: 11988

DXLab applications run fine on both the 32-bit and 64-bit flavors of Windows 7. The 64-bit flavor does limit your choice of serial port and usb-to-serial-port devices; see

<http://www.dxlabsuite.com/dxlabwiki/Win7VistaHardware>

If you're considering the purchase of a laptop, you might be interested in this survey of 3-year laptop failure rates by brand:

<http://news.cnet.com/8301-17938_105-10400447-1.html?part=rss&subj=news&tag=2547-1_3-0-20>

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 12:40 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Tnx Geoff,
My wife is thinking of getting a new laptop and me thinks everything comes with Windows 7 these days. We still have XP. I'm thinking of getting an Elcraft K3 in a few months which might interface with Win 7. She's thinking of a Dell but a friend who checks stocks, etc., seems to think Dell is going out of business. What is popular today and can be used with DXLabs?

73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Geoff Wilson
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 9:30 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New computer

On Sat, Nov 28, 2009 at 11:07 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
wrote:

Has anyone had any experience with, preferably a new laptop with Windows 7?

TIA - Rene

Yes, I set up Druple (database engine development system for web applications) on one for a friend. Went very smoothly and I must say at first glance at least Windows & seems to be what Vista should have been.

Seemed to run with out any problems. Being a development system required a fairly complex setup which went very smoothly even though the software was not designed explicitly for Windows 7. I have a machine here that looks like a candidate for upgrading to Windows 7 which I will get to after CQWW and the paper work for it is finished. ;-)

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73

Geoff
VE1GW

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.709 / Virus Database: 270.14.87/2534 - Release Date: 11/28/09 23:49:00

11989. Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 21:09:09 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11981 Message: 11989

Tnx Dave,
I'm sure some out here will be interested in 32 v. 64. I might just go back to DOS .... ..

Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dave AA6YQ
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 12:10 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] New computer

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73,

Dave, AA6YQ

11990. RE: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 21:42:34 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 11981 Message: 11990

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 4:09 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Tnx Dave,

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73,

Dave, AA6YQ

11991. Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 22:04:00 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11981 Message: 11991

Hehehehehehehe - probably a Wang, Trash 80 and Commodore 64 (a favourite for packet later)! I started with an 8088 booting up in A drive then the work disk in B doing a B:\ command. I used to make screen menus as I was proficient with DOS and Edlin the line editor (miss that) also miss the menu burnt into the monitor screen. Made batch files and modified MSConfig. I used to make changes in programs using a bit of Script and Basic. Today Windows seems to do it all.
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dave AA6YQ
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 1:42 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] New computer

>>>AA6YQ comments below

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 4:09 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New computer

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11992. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11992

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 29 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 333 Issued at 2200Z on 29 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 28/2100Z
to 29/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No spots are visible on
the solar disk. No flares were observed during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 28/2100Z to 29/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (30 November - 02
December).
III. Event Probabilities 30 Nov-02 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 29 Nov 072
Predicted 30 Nov-02 Dec 070/070/070
90 Day Mean 29 Nov 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 28 Nov 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 29 Nov 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 30 Nov-02 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 30 Nov-02 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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11993. Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 22:11:31 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11981 Message: 11993

To get started, I had to first learn how to use a 29. Once I could do that, I graduated to using the 29 to tell the IBM 360/50 what to do...a real PITA compared with today!

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

-----Original Message-----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@theunion.net>
Date: Sun, 29 Nov 2009 14:04:00
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New computer

Hehehehehehehe - probably a Wang, Trash 80 and Commodore 64 (a favourite for packet later)! I started with an 8088 booting up in A drive then the work disk in B doing a B:\ command. I used to make screen menus as I was proficient with DOS and Edlin the line editor (miss that) also miss the menu burnt into the monitor screen. Made batch files and modified MSConfig. I used to make changes in programs using a bit of Script and Basic. Today Windows seems to do it all.
Rene
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From: Dave AA6YQ
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2009 1:42 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] New computer

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
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Dave, AA6YQ

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11994. YT3M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-29 23:33:00 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11994 Message: 11994

On 7078.8 or so just now

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

11995. Use of new IRC in Russia

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-30 03:13:24 UTC
From: Alan Scher
Topic: 11995 Message: 11995

Hello All,
Can you tell me if the new IRCs can be used for direct QSLs to Russia? Not sure how safe the use of USDs are these days.
Thanks
73
Alan WD8PKF

11996. Re: 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-30 04:46:28 UTC
From: djv5
Topic: 11930 Message: 11996

Same story here as well. I have sent twice once with IRC's and the second with GS for the QSLs. I did receive my certificate about a month ago for my bronze award and that I only sent for once back last December so about 10 months. Maybe someday the cards will show up but I am not holding my breath at this point.

73,
Dave, K8DV

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "kw3w" <kw3w@...> wrote:
>
> Is anyone else having problems getting confirmations from either BT1OB, BT1OH, BT1OJ, BT1ON or BT1OY. I worked each station and forwarded cards with IRCs and SASEs to the QSl Manager (BA4EG) twice. I also sent inquiries to the email address posted for BA4EG on QRZ. I never received any type of reply. The website for the stations has been inaccessible sine the first of the year. Does anyone know of an alternate route? Thanks, Reggie (KW3W)
>

11997. ARLP049 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-30 18:26:41 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7575 Message: 11997

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP049
ARLP049 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP49
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 49 ARLP049
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 30, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP049
ARLP049 Propagation de K7RA

This is a follow-up to last Wednesday's pre-Thanksgiving Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP048. It was a little early to provide the complete Thursday through Wednesday sunspot, solar flux, and A index that normally appears in Friday's bulletin, so we are including it here at the bottom of this bulletin. The next bulletin will be out four days from now.

Our exciting period of nearly daily sunspot activity ended with the first spotless day on November 23, and the Sun has been blank since then. A look at the STEREO image at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/ shows a bright active area perhaps five days over the eastern horizon, but we don't know if that will give us sunspots or not.

As the two STEREO craft move further from earth, the visual gap on the Sun's far side is gradually closing, and we look forward to the time in 2011 when all of the Sun will be visible from STEREO and earth. Currently the gap is about 14.3%.

You can calculate the approximate percentage of the Sun in that dark spot by using the "Where is STEREO?" link on the STEREO home page, which takes you to http://stereo-ssc.nascom.nasa.gov/where.shtml. Check the "Separation angle A with B" stat at the bottom, subtract that number from 180, divide the result by 360, then multiple that result by 100 to get a percentage figure.

You can check future dates by clicking on the "STEREO Orbit Tool" link, taking you to http://stereo-ssc.nascom.nasa.gov/where/.

When you check February 1, 2010 at 0000 UTC it yields a separation angle of 135.197 degrees. Subtracted from 180 degrees, this yields 44.803, divide that by 360, then multiply by 100, and you get approximately 12.45% remaining on the dark side. October 1, 2010 yields 5.58%, and January 1, 2011 just 1.26% in the dark. Check the arithmetic!

WorldRadio Online posts a new issue on the twentieth of each month, and each has a column on propagation by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA. You can download it at, http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html and read Carl's article on "The Impact of Deep Solar Minimum on 160m Propagation." Carl's column begins on page 28 of the current December issue. The January 2010 issue should appear online on December 20.

Past bulletins mentioned the incredible WSPR mode for weak signal communication. Doug Hawkins, W3HH of Ocala, Florida was using WSPR mode on November 18 on 30 meters, and copied AA1A in Marshfield, Massachusetts -- 1,105 miles away. Not unusual, except that AA1A was running only 10 microwatts! Doug points out that this signal is 20 dB below 1 mW. Doug says that several other stations have copied AA1A, but so far this is the longest distance record.

Doug thought the distance was about 900 miles, but I looked up the address for each station at the top of the ARRL web page at http://www.arrl.org/, then plugged the addresses into a computer atlas to find the exact latitude and longitude coordinates, then used W6ELprop to calculate the distance, which turned out to be over 20 percent further than Doug's estimate.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for November 19 through 25 were 30, 31, 14, 13, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 12.6. 10.7 cm flux was 76.7, 76.2, 75.8, 76.3, 75.7, 74.7, and 74.2 with a mean of 75.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 1, 8, 4, 0, 6 and 5 with a mean of 3.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 2, 6, 2, 0, 3 and 4 with a mean of 2.4.
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/EX

11998. 4W6AL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-30 19:32:31 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 11998 Message: 11998

For those waiting, my 4W6AL QSLs arrived today.

73

Al, VE1AL

11999. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-30 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 11999

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Nov 30 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 334 Issued at 2200Z on 30 Nov 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 29/2100Z
to 30/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 29/2100Z to 30/2100Z:
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Predicted Afr/Ap 01 Dec-03 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 01 Dec-03 Dec
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Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12000. Re: [DX-IS] 4W6AL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-11-30 22:15:00 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11998 Message: 12000

Mine too. He said I failed to seal the envelope, but the money was still there. Must be getting old.

Nice card.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2009 1:32 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] 4W6AL

> For those waiting, my 4W6AL QSLs arrived today.
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>
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>

12001. Re: Use of new IRC in Russia

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 01:23:49 UTC
From: bill_w4zv
Topic: 11995 Message: 12001

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Alan Scher" <wd8pkf@...> wrote:

> Can you tell me if the new IRCs can be used for direct QSLs to Russia? Not sure how safe the use of USDs are these days.

Here's a good summary from the QRZ.com page for RW0CWA:

"RW0CWA club station made 630 QSOs in CQ WW 160 m contest in January 2009, half of that with North America.

We will reply all buro cards and direct QSLs with return postage. Please DO NOT SEND GREENSTAMPS AND SAE. Envelopes with something thick inside are very attractive to post thieves. Quite often mail comes with 'dollar footprints' in the inner side of the SAE. That means the envelope was opened, dollar disappeared. Moreover, your QSL may get lost, it happened many times last year.

So, just QSL and one valid IRC in the envelope makes the probability of getting your card here resonably high. Blank envelope costs almost nothing here, less than one US cent. When sending IRC's please check the expiration date, the new ones are valid until the end of 2009. It usually takes 8 to 10 weeks to get QSL back. Direct cards without return postage will be sent via the buro.

It seems that registered mail comes without any trouble but it is quite expensive.

If you did not get reply QSL within resonable period of time, please e-mail us.

73, Igor RW0CF"

So use 1 IRC and make the envelope as inconspicuous as possible.

73, Bill

12002. Use of new IRC in Russia

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 01:34:00 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11995 Message: 12002

he has the DATE,..... wrong but IRC is the way to go.

IMHO, Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: bill_w4zv
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2009 7:23 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Use of new IRC in Russia

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Alan Scher" <wd8pkf@...> wrote:

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73, Bill

12003. Re: Use of new IRC in Russia

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 02:37:03 UTC
From: bill_w4zv
Topic: 11995 Message: 12003

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
>
> he has the DATE,..... wrong but IRC is the way to go.

No, it was correct at the time it was written (Jan 2009) which was before the NEW IRCs were issued.

73, Bill

12004. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Use of new IRC in Russia

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 02:41:28 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 11995 Message: 12004

ok.

----- Original Message -----
From: bill_w4zv
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2009 8:37 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Use of new IRC in Russia

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
>
> he has the DATE,..... wrong but IRC is the way to go.

No, it was correct at the time it was written (Jan 2009) which was before the NEW IRCs were issued.

73, Bill

12005. T6XI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 05:28:15 UTC
From: nu7t
Topic: 12005 Message: 12005

At the end of last weekend's contest, I worked T6XI on 20m from Nevada. The signal sounded like a polar route. But, my little beam is wide and I could not decide exactly, the best direction.

I have poked around attempting to locate information on T6XI to no avail. Has anyone information on this call or where I might find out if the call has been issued ?

Steve, NU7T

12006. Re: [DX-IS] T6XI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 06:11:25 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12005 Message: 12006

Nothing listed on telnet...
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "nu7t" <nu7t@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2009 9:28 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] T6XI

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> has been issued ?
>
> Steve, NU7T

12007. [425ENG] The Topbands of December

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 06:52:13 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 12007 Message: 12007

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

Below the first 25 positions of thr topbands
For the complete list look at
http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html
TOPBANDS
01/12/2009
NR CALL 10 12 15 17 20 30 40 80 160 Tot Date

1 OK1RD 337 333 338 336 338 337 337 337 333 3026 30/10/2009
2 K2TQC 336 335 338 337 338 336 337 335 302 2994 12/11/2009
3 W4DR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 335 310 2989 19/06/2008
4 OH2BU 335 329 338 337 338 337 337 335 301 2987 27/10/2009
5 EA8AK 334 332 336 333 337 336 335 333 307 2983 26/10/2009
6 N4WW 335 329 338 335 337 334 337 334 304 2983 17/05/2008
7 W9ZR 334 329 337 336 337 335 336 334 298 2976 17/11/2008
8 OH3SR 334 333 338 337 338 335 337 334 288 2974 26/11/2009
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12008. Re: [DX-IS] T6XI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 13:45:34 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12005 Message: 12008

The T6 prefix belongs to Afghanistan and has been used lately. T6YA has been fairly active for a month. I don't know about T6XI though.

I havw watched the T6YA packet spots with longing; it's one of six countries I still need for a new one. He's always on the air on bands and times when I can't hear him.
:-(

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Nov 30, 2009 at 11:28 PM, nu7t <nu7t@gbis.com> wrote:

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> signal sounded like a polar route. But, my little beam is wide and I could
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> has been issued ?
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> Steve, NU7T
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12009. Re: New computer

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 20:43:15 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 11981 Message: 12009

Rene

Came out of this business as a hardware engineer and product manager.
Digital->Compaq->Hewlett Packard.

Two thoughts:

1. Windows 7 is the OS that all have been waiting for since XP. Vista went too far toward the new media environment without worrying about migration. Most company IS Dept. did not convert. Now they will.

2. No one is going to like this but the larger manufacturers have both a business line and a consumer line. Hard to buy the business lines but the have greater durability but less flash. Consumer lines have more flash but are 'cost focus' Big difference in cost/price. Read this as you get what you pay for.

I am running a 10 year old and 6 year old portable on XP and (except for a virus on one) I have had zero hardware problems. My son (same manufacturer) never made it two years (consumer model)

When I upgrade to Windows 7 (and I will) it will be with new hardware.
It is not worth the hassle unless you get some more horsepower out of it and hardware is pretty cheap due to the deals being made.

Will never do a portable again because I don't need portability!
If I needed to operate remotely I'd set up a small netbook. The small system boxes allow ease of maintenance & upgrade in my mind. Features that portables do no provide.

I know the world is going with portables, that is why I have an Ipod touch...my idea of a portable. Now if someone would do a bluetooth interface to my rig and Dave would port DXlabs..... HI

73
Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...> wrote:
>
> Has anyone had any experience with, preferably a new laptop with Windows 7?
>
> TIA - Rene
>

12010. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-01 22:11:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12010

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 01 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 335 Issued at 2200Z on 01 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 01/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred over
the past 24 hours. The disk is currently spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 01/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (02-04 Dec).
III. Event Probabilities 02 Dec-04 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 01 Dec 072
Predicted 02 Dec-04 Dec 071/071/071
90 Day Mean 01 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Nov 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 01 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 02 Dec-04 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 02 Dec-04 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12011. RE: [DX-IS] 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-02 01:01:44 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 11930 Message: 12011

I reckon these cards will show up via the bureau in due course, a bit like the German soccer ones not so long ago.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kw3w
Sent: Wednesday, 25 November 2009 9:48 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations

Thanks to all who responded to my question regarding the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games Stations. A Chinese amateur made contact with the QSL Manager on my behalf and the eleven confirmations are finally on the way. 73 Reggie (KW3W)

12012. Re: T6XI

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-02 13:33:13 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12005 Message: 12012

T6AG is also active at the moment, but I'm experiencing the same results as you - he's on bands and times when I can't hear him here.

A couple of years ago a Russian was there - T6X (I think his name was Andy) and I managed to work him on 15 and 20 SSB - never heard him on CW. That was back in 2005 and condx were somewhat better then.

A couple of years ago at Visalia I met T6EE, but his operating is quite sporadic and generally very low power. I think he also operates only SSB, but I could be mistaken.

Art - N4PJ

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> > > Steve, NU7T
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12013. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-02 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12013

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 02 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 336 Issued at 2200Z on 02 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 01/2100Z
to 02/2100Z: Solar Activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The disk is spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 01/2100Z to 02/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for days one and two (03-04 Dec). Conditions
are expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels with a slight
chance for isolated active periods as a recurrent coronal hole
becomes geoeffective early on day three (05 Dec).
III. Event Probabilities 03 Dec-05 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 02 Dec 071
Predicted 03 Dec-05 Dec 071/071/071
90 Day Mean 02 Dec 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 01 Dec 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 02 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 03 Dec-05 Dec 005/005-005/005-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 03 Dec-05 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/20
Minor storm 01/01/10
Major-severe storm 01/01/05
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12014. Fw: QSL reports

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-03 20:01:00 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12014 Message: 12014

Another use for the cluster!
This seems to be happening more and more. People announcing on the spots that they received a QSL. Have people forgotten how to use the cluster and the use of announcements?

SU1KM 14,000.0 CW 2009-03-12 15:37 AA1E Thanks for LOTW!!

12015. RE: [DX-IS] Fw: QSL reports

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-03 20:50:40 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12014 Message: 12015

Ya mean yur jus' noticin' that? Or, "no copy here," or "big sign in Roma," or other such useless drivel. And, oh yes, when did "sign" replace the CW abbreviation "sig" for signal? Or something I heard on 17M yesterday -- THNX. Maybe the sender has a lisp.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2009 4:01 PM
To: DX
Subject: [DX-IS] Fw: QSL reports

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SU1KM 14,000.0 CW 2009-03-12 15:37 AA1E Thanks for LOTW!!

12016. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-03 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12016

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 03 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 337 Issued at 2200Z on 03 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 02/2100Z
to 03/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The disk is spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 02/2100Z to 03/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for day one (04 Dec). Quiet to unsettled
levels with a slight chance for isolated active periods are expected
on days two and three (05-06 Dec) as a recurrent coronal hole high
speed becomes geoeffective.
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Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 03 Dec 072
Predicted 04 Dec-06 Dec 072/073/073
90 Day Mean 03 Dec 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 02 Dec 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 03 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 04 Dec-06 Dec 005/005-007/008-007/008
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 04 Dec-06 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/20/10
Minor storm 01/10/05
Major-severe storm 01/05/01
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12017. ARLD048 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-03 22:49:21 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7474 Message: 12017

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ARLD048 DX news

ZCZC AE48
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 48 ARLD048
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 3, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD048
ARLD048 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by DS4NMJ, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TANZANIA, 5H. Igor, UA3DJY plans to be QRV from the 5I3A club station until December 15. Activity is on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via RK3AOL.

SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. Lee, DS4NMJ will be QRV as DT8A from the Antarctic King Sejong Station on King George Island, IOTA AN-010, from December 5 to January 31, 2011. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY as well. QSL via HL2FDW.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Alex, DV1UBY is QRV as 4D1N from Quezon City on Luzon Island, IOTA OC-042, until the end of the year. Activity is on 40, 20 and 15 meters using QRP power. QSL to home call.

MARTINIQUE, FM. Fernando, EA1BT will be QRV as TO1BT from December 8 to 15. Activity will be on all bands. QSL to home call.

HUNGARY, HA. A group of operators will be QRV as HG0WFF/p from a number of Hungarian National Parks during December. QSL via HA0HW.

HAITI, HH. Steve, VE2TKH is QRV as HH2/homecall from Petionville until December 15. Activity is generally on 30, 20, 17 and 15 meters in his spare time. QSL via M0URX.

SARDINIA, IS0. Members of the Sardinia QRP Club will be QRV as IQ0QP from the Capo Sant' Elia Lighthouse on December 12 and 13. Activity will be on 80 to 20 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL direct.

ANTARCTICA. Karel, ON5TN is QRV as OR4TN from the Belgian Princess Elisabeth Station until the end of January 2010. Activity is generally on 80, 40 and 30 meters using CW and SSB around 2100 to 2300z. QSL to home call.

DENMARK, OZ. Special event station 5P15COP will be QRV from Zealand Island, IOTA EU-029, from December 7 to 18 during the Copenhagen Climate Change Conference. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via OZ5BAL.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, P2. Annas, MM0GQA is QRV as P29VAA from Port Moresby for the next three to six months while working for a humanitarian aid organization. Activity is in his spare time. QSL via operator's instructions.

SUDAN, ST. Robert is QRV as ST2AR and is generally active on 20 to 10 meters mostly during the weekends. QSL via S53R.

EGYPT, SU. Mohammed, SU1KM has been active on 30 meters using RTTY around 1740z and then using CW around 1800 to 1900z. QSL direct.

BELIZE, V3. Will, EA7HEJ is QRV as V31WV from Sarteneja until December 20. QSL this operation via EA7HEJ.

CHRISTMAS ISLANDS, VK9X. Station VK9XX is QRV until December 5. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via DL1RTL.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, VP2V. Curt, W3HQ is QRV as VP2V/homecall from Virgin Gorda, IOTA NA-023, until December 16. Activity is generally on 160 and 10 meters during the weekends and the newer bands the rest of the week. QSL to home call.

CAMBODIA, XU. Wim, ON6TZ and Peter, NO2R plan to be QRV as XU7KOH from Koh Island, IOTA AS-133, from December 11 to 14. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK near the usual IOTA and PSK frequencies. QSL via ON7PP.

INDONESIA, YB. Adhi, YB3MM/p is QRV from Bawean Island, IOTA OC-197, until December 9. Activity is limited to 15 meters using CW. QSL via IZ8CCW.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 160-Meter CW Contest, ARRL EME Contest, NCCC Sprint, TARA RTTY Melee, Wake-Up! QRP Sprint and the TOPS Activity CW Contest are all scheduled for this weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for December 8. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint is scheduled for December 9. Please see December QST, page 66, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
NNNN
/EX

12018. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: QSL reports

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 01:37:09 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 12014 Message: 12018

So how about if someone sent this misguided AA1E guy a message reprimanding him? Something along these lines...

"Hey putz,

Saw yur spot on the cluster:

SU1KM 14,000.0 CW 2009-03-12 15:37 AA1E Thanks for LOTW!!

What an egotistical narcisstic excuse for a ham you are. How many bells and whistles do you think went off with yur ridiculous spot? Anyone needing SU.

There is a name for for your behavior..

Narcisstemic Clusteritis Bingosis or NCB

"After posting something on the cluster and you find your erection won't go down after 4 hours, stop using the cluster and consult a doctor. Other symptoms may include incessant need to post more on the cluster which can lead to an addiction, excited voice, constipation, and tingling in the fingers prohibiting radio tuning. If you or someone you know has exhibited any of the signs, seek Dr Phil immediately."

73 de {Deleted to protect the guilty)"

Would this be a good example to set by a Honor Roll person?

73 de Bob - KØRC in MN

----- Original Message -----
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
To: DX
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2009 2:01 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Fw: QSL reports

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SU1KM 14,000.0 CW 2009-03-12 15:37 AA1E Thanks for LOTW!!

12019. Re: [DX-IS] Fw: QSL reports

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 01:48:32 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12014 Message: 12019

Robert,

NOT that I disagree, with you, (not in the least) but there are so MANY people that do this kind of thing, over & over again, I still say that it was better to keep the ridgid standards and if there were less hams as a result then so be it !

its that age old saying once again,
NOTHING worth having is easy to get !.....

Regards, Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2009 7:37 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Fw: QSL reports

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SU1KM 14,000.0 CW 2009-03-12 15:37 AA1E Thanks for LOTW!!

12020. Cluster Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 03:02:49 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 11076 Message: 12020

Isn't SU Poland?

Dale K8TS

12021. RE: [DX-IS] Cluster Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 03:11:49 UTC
From: Donald L. De Feyter
Topic: 11076 Message: 12021

SU is Egypt.

Don/KC8CY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2009 10:03 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Cluster Spots

Isn't SU Poland?

Dale K8TS

12022. Re: [DX-IS] Cluster Spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 03:12:16 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 11076 Message: 12022

Nope, it is Egypt.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Thu, 12/3/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

From: Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Cluster Spots
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, December 3, 2009, 9:02 PM

Isn't SU Poland?
Dale K8TS

12023. DXCC/WAS Fast Turnaround Time - 14 Hrs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 05:25:10 UTC
From: R Johnson
Topic: 12023 Message: 12023

WOW !!!
I didn't expect this kind of service.

Last night at 02:02Z I applied for my DXCC Award .
This morning at 16:08Z I was granted my DXCC 112/Phone and 315/Challenge.

That's a 14 Hr turnaround time !!!

I suspect the speed of this application was due to:
1) 100% LoTW Application
2) Pre Purchased LoTW Credits on file
3) Payment by Credit Card

Now that I have my LoTW DXCC Award I can spend more time making more QSO's and
sorting all my "Paper" to try and resolve another potential 35 countries so
I can make a "Hybrid Application" next year (AARRGG) !!!

As a side note the night before, I applied for my LoTW "WAS Phone" award.
That application only took 09:20 Hr's to be fulfilled. Again, WOW !!!

When I look at the costs of QSL'ing, LoTW wins "hands down" !!!

73
Bob, K1VU

12024. DS1REE qsl address?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 13:23:07 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11978 Message: 12024

Hi,
I finally worked South Korea this morning - DS1REE.
We're both on LOTW, but the paper qsl is more important to me!
IK3QAR has no qsl info.
QRZ and HAMCALL have totally different addresses.

When I run into this, is there a dependable source for the *current* qsl
route?

tx and 73
frank w0ecs

12025. Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 14:22:02 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 11978 Message: 12025

Frank, IK3QARs info on QRZ.com is most likely correct as he has added notes
to that page.

Win, W0LZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Frank T Brady" <franktbrady@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 7:23 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

> Hi,
> I finally worked South Korea this morning - DS1REE.
> We're both on LOTW, but the paper qsl is more important to me!
> IK3QAR has no qsl info.
> QRZ and HAMCALL have totally different addresses.
>
> When I run into this, is there a dependable source for the *current* qsl
> route?
>
> tx and 73
> frank w0ecs
>

12026. Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 15:47:21 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11978 Message: 12026

Win,
My email wasn't clear - I should have said "IK3QAR has no qsl info for
DS1REE.
My question was how to find the right DS1REE route since hamcall and qrz
disagree.
tx and 73
frank w0ecs

Win wrote:
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>
> Frank, IK3QARs info on QRZ.com is most likely correct as he has added
> notes
> to that page.
>
> Win, W0LZ
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Frank T Brady" <franktbrady@...
> <mailto:franktbrady%40comcast.net>>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>>
> Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 7:23 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?
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> > Hi,
> > I finally worked South Korea this morning - DS1REE.
> > We're both on LOTW, but the paper qsl is more important to me!
> > IK3QAR has no qsl info.
> > QRZ and HAMCALL have totally different addresses.
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> > When I run into this, is there a dependable source for the *current* qsl
> > route?
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> > tx and 73
> > frank w0ecs
> >
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12027. RE: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 15:54:04 UTC
From: Donald L. De Feyter
Topic: 11978 Message: 12027

QRZ & Flying Horse & GoList all say direct to DS1REE.

73/DX
Don/KC8CY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Frank T Brady
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 10:47 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

Win,
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DS1REE.
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Win wrote:
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> Frank, IK3QARs info on QRZ.com is most likely correct as he has added
> notes
> to that page.
>
> Win, W0LZ
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Frank T Brady" <franktbrady@...
> <mailto:franktbrady%40comcast.net>>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>>
> Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 7:23 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?
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> > Hi,
> > I finally worked South Korea this morning - DS1REE.
> > We're both on LOTW, but the paper qsl is more important to me!
> > IK3QAR has no qsl info.
> > QRZ and HAMCALL have totally different addresses.
> >
> > When I run into this, is there a dependable source for the *current* qsl
> > route?
> >
> > tx and 73

> > frank w0ecs
> >
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Yahoo! Groups Links

12028. Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 16:10:08 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11978 Message: 12028

Right Don,
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> 73/DX
> Don/KC8CY
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> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On
> Behalf Of
> Frank T Brady
> Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 10:47 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?
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12029. RE: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 16:16:50 UTC
From: Donald L. De Feyter
Topic: 11978 Message: 12029

Frank,

I would sent it to the Dental Clinic and he will get or send via the Bureau.

73/DX
Don/KC8CY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Frank T Brady
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 11:10 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

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Yahoo! Groups Links

12030. Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE qsl address?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 16:58:05 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11978 Message: 12030

Tx Don,
Unfortunately, even the dental clinic name and address are completely
different.
However, I noticed he has an email address and fired off an address query.
He responded almost immediately - "only qrz.com is correct"
I guess hamcall doesn't stay as current as qrz nowadays - it used to be
the reverse.
Thanks all, I'm back in tall cotton.
73 frank w0ecs

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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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12031. ARLP050 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 19:21:53 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7715 Message: 12031

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP050
ARLP050 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP50
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 50 ARLP050
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 4, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP050
ARLP050 Propagation de K7RA

Recent sunspot activity--which ended on November 22--pushed up the moving average we've been tracking for several years. Because we have all the data for November, we now have the most recent 3-month average of daily sunspot numbers, which centers on October. For 2009, the 3 month moving average centered on January through October was 2.19, 2.02, 1.49, 2.01, 4.23, 5.2, 4, 4, 4.64 and 7.1. The latest value is the highest since April 2008, when it was 8.89.

The monthly averages of daily sunspot numbers are also rising, although not as smoothly as the three month average. The monthly averages for March through November 2009 are 0.77, 1.27, 3.97, 6.6, 5.07, 0.39, 6.6, 7 and 7.7. The November average is the highest since March, 2008 when it was 15.87.

Current projections show a steady quiet planetary A index of 5 for December 4, then 8 for December 5-6, and back to 5 through the end of the month. Solar flux predictions show December 4-6 at 72, 73 on December 7-10, then 75 on December 11-23. The predicted solar flux value of 75 seems to correspond to the return of an active region that we can see emerging from the dark spot on STEREO. An area that looked promising a few days ago has moved over the horizon and not produced any sunspots.

Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet to unsettled conditions December 4, unsettled December 5, and quiet December 6-10.

The same 45 day forecast from NOAA and US Air Force referenced above also predicted a planetary A index of 5 for December 3, but in fact all indices that day were zero, according to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt. The last time the planetary A index was five or above was November 24-26. The directory at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html has links to the daily forecast for the past few weeks. By sampling the forecasts, you can see that the forecasters seem to prefer a

planetary A index of 5 for their minimum value. Five is an indicator of very stable and quiet conditions, but in fact conditions have been even quieter.

Low geomagnetic activity should be good for the ARRL 160-Meter CW Contest this weekend. And, perhaps we will see some sunspots return for the ARRL 10-Meter Contest the following weekend.

Over the past few years we've received reports from Dave Greer, N4KZ of Frankfort, Kentucky, usually about 6 meters. The last was in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP028 in July. How do I know? By pointing a search engine at the propagation bulletin archive on the ARRL web site.

Use any search engine, such as lycos.com, bing.com, altavista.com or google.com, enter a call sign or a word or any string of characters, then a space, followed by site:http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/ and hit Search. In this case, I entered N4KZ site:http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/ and found seven bulletins since May 19, 2005 containing that call. This will be number eight.

This time N4KZ wrote about 40 meters:

"I've been operating 40 meters for a little more than 40 years now and the band has impressed me with its daylight DX numerous times during the past few years. The most recent examples occurred during the recent CQWW CW DX contest. On Sunday, November 29 at 1931 UTC I worked 4O3A in Montenegro on the low end of 40-meter CW. That was 2:31 p.m. EST, a good two-and-a-half hours before my local sunset. That might not be a big deal for East Coast stations but I don't often hear Europe here that early. But just a minute later, I tuned lower and heard an A71 station in Qatar, in Zone 21, working a pile-up of Europeans in the contest. I didn't hear a single European on frequency but the A71 had a decent signal into my Central Kentucky QTH. Two or three U.S. stations were calling the A71 but I don't think any of them ever made it through the European wall."

"But I've heard Europe even earlier in the day on 40 meters. A couple years ago, a PA station from the Netherlands was a S5 on SSB into Kentucky at high noon in the dead of Winter. I never heard anything like that on 40 meters during high sunspot years."

"I've also been quite pleased at my ability to work DX from my 100-watt 40-meter SSB mobile station since the broadcast stations signed off between 7.1 and 7.2 MHz. I have worked numerous Europeans, Russians, three VK stations, and some Africans from my car. I'm just running an IC-706MKIIG and a Workman helical whip antenna."

Thanks, Dave!

Bob Elek, W3HKK of Johnstown, Ohio also commented on 40 meters this week, but first had a lot to say about stealth antennas and experiences with wire antennas on the low bands.

Bob was a serious DXer and contester from 1976 to 1995, but then moved to a home with deed restrictions. He write, "He "began experimenting with stealth antennas hidden in a small wooded area behind my last home, adjacent to a golf course. I spent years trying assorted home made loops, verticals, bob-tail curtains and inverted Ls (all mired deep in the trees to keep them hidden from prying eyes) that would fit in my situation using nothing more than existing trees for support. I also gravitated to the WARC bands and 160-80-40m.

A few observations:

1. Upper corner, direct fed bobtail curtains only a few feet off the ground work very well. I worked worldwide (India, Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, JA, JT etc) on 12 and 17m with them, and highly recommend them to anyone who has two properly spaced supports to hang them from.

2. While the trees clearly muted performance, delta loops, and quarter wave inverted Ls (however crudely erected) are also fine performers on 40-80-160m. I was fortunate to have one 80 foot oak tree which served as the support for many of my experimental, less than ideal antennas.

3. I began putting up home made ground planes for 30 and 20m, from cheap fiberglass telescoping fishing poles taped to a short length of PVC piping, with 14 wire serving as the radiator (taped of course) and radials/guy wires. These performed well despite being surrounded by trees.

This past Summer, I moved to 3 rural acres in central Ohio. Due to the almost complete absence of trees on my property, I decided to go with home made ground planes for 20, 30, and 40m, plus a single feed two band inverted L for 80 and 160 supported by a 15 foot (!) tree in the back yard. Yes, a mere 15 feet high inverted L, at the apex! I run 100 watts, mostly on CW, but some SSB as well.

The new QTH differs from the last one in that it is on open rolling hills with cornfields to the east, is sloping slightly downhill for 1000'+ to the east, north and west, and slightly uphill to the south. My antennas are lined up E-W about 50 feet apart, with 4-16 radials, both on ground and 3-4 feet above ground. SWR runs 2 to 4:1, with direct fed 52 ohm coax (cobbled together from left over scraps that are 20-40 years old. My antenna analyzer (MFJ-259) shows losses are acceptable for the appropriate frequencies. Those where it was excessive, I threw out).

Point #1: On 160 meters, even a single coax direct fed pair of 15 foot vertical inverted Ls, with the remainder of their quarter

wavelength sloping down to 7 feet above ground at the ends, perform pretty well. 150 ft of cobbled coax (soldered at the joints, then taped) matched through a tuner in the shack allow me to work all over the US and as far as the west coast on the 3905 Net on 1.892 MHz on a regular basis. In the November CW DX Test I worked 3 Caribbean and 2 South American stations, in limited operating. This with 100 watts and the 15 foot vertical portion on my inverted L, plus 8 ground laid radials, four for each band. On 80 meters I've done less operating, but one would expect similar if not slightly better performance there. I have worked all over the US, plus a couple of Europeans, North Africans, and Caribbean/Latin American stations on SSB around 3.798 MHz.

By comparison, at my last QTH, with the top of the vertical portion of my 160 meter L at 80 feet, and 4 radials, I worked into Europe, Africa and the Caribbean/South America about 100 times with 100 watts, with the antenna buried in trees. In one 160 meter SSB contest I made 553 contacts with it in one weekend. Not bad for an antenna in the woods with a handful of radials.

Point #2: And my main point. With my new 40 meter quarter wave ground plane with 8 radials, in the open, 100 feet from the house, direct fed by 52 ohm coax, my SWR is below 1.5:1, and I work nearly all that I hear, even DX, even on SSB.

And in recent weeks I have heard KL7, VK6, ZLs, KH6s, ZSs, 9L5, CE, CN2, EA9, HC8, OH0, P33, TX3A (Chesterfield Is), TFs, 6 JAs, and a myriad of the more common countries, all on 40 meters, and I worked them all. In addition, I heard several Chinese, Indonesian, and KH2 stations, multiple times, for long periods of time, and as late as 10 AM!

Point #3: What is going on with 40 meter propagation? While the short skip is less frequent, about half the US is coming through during the daytime with 59+ signals. And at night time, tuning around 7.125-7.2 MHz SSB, the world is at our finger tips. With the increasing wealth of Third World countries, kilowatts and 3-4 element Yagis are everywhere now, and these guys come through like gang-busters, most any night. Look especially around their sunset and sunrise times. Or look between 5-10 AM local time to Asia and the Pacific. VK6s, JAs, China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, are there, often in our portion of the phone band. A few recent examples: Last week around 6 PM I heard a guy in NYC working JAs, who were then working the Caribbean. Then a couple of ZSs broke in to say they were copying Japan, the US, and the Caribbean all 59+. Amazing!

Another example, around 9 PM I heard a KL7 calling CQ through S-9 QRM, and I worked him arm chair copy both ways. I have heard VK6s (the antipodal point on the globe from central Ohio) coming through on 40 SSB both in the morning hours and in the late afternoon routinely during the past month. As I recall, November conditions

were usually well down from September and October, but not this year.

Point #4: I have often tuned 7.125-7.200 MHz and heard nothing, just noise. Of course, the shortwave broadcast stations have vacated this spectrum, but with the long skip we have large segments of unused frequencies, in the evening hours. As I continue tuning the silent frequencies, all of a sudden I will hear a 5-7 to 5-9+ station from Brazil, Argentina or Europe call CQ, and I usually work them on my first call.

So there is plenty of DX out there to be had. And vertical/ground plane antennas that are far short of the optimum 120 radials, will get you through far better than most dipoles or inverted Vs. So grab a fishing pole, a rebar, some duct tape and 14 wire and go see for yourself! Go get your share of the DX. They're listening for you!"

Whew! Thanks, Bob. Believe it or not, that was edited down for brevity. To read more of Bob's writing, check out his narrative on his trip to Brazil in the July-August 2005 issue of the NODXA Rag at http://www.papays.com/rag0805.pdf.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for November 26 through December 2 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 0 with a mean of 0. 10.7 cm flux was 74.7, 73.7, 72.9, 72.1, 72.4, 72.2, and 71.4 with a mean of 72.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 2, 3, 1, 2, 0 and 1 with a mean of 2.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 0, 2, 1, 1, 0 and 0 with a mean of 1.
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12032. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #970 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-04 19:44:43 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 12032 Message: 12032

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12033. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
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From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12033

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 04 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 338 Issued at 2200Z on 04 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 03/2100Z
to 04/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible solar disk is spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 03/2100Z to 04/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled, with a slight chance for isolated
active conditions, for days one and two (05-06 December) due to a
recurrent coronal hole high speed stream. Conditions are expected
to return to quiet levels for day three (07 December).
III. Event Probabilities 05 Dec-07 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 04 Dec 072
Predicted 05 Dec-07 Dec 073/073/073
90 Day Mean 04 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 03 Dec 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 04 Dec 000/001
Predicted Afr/Ap 05 Dec-07 Dec 007/008-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 05 Dec-07 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 20/10/05
Minor storm 10/05/01
Major-severe storm 05/01/01
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12034. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 05 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 339 Issued at 2200Z on 05 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 04/2100Z
to 05/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No significant flares
were observed during the past 24 hours. The visible solar disk is
spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 04/2100Z to 05/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. Solar wind observations from the
ACE spacecraft indicate the onset of a co-rotating interaction
region at around 06/0530Z. Solar wind velocity and density
increased slightly with fluctuations in the IMF Bt and Bz.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled, with a slight chance for isolated
active conditions, for day one (06 December) due to a coronal hole
high speed stream. Conditions are expected to be predominately
quiet for days two and three (07-08 December).
III. Event Probabilities 06 Dec-08 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 05 Dec 072
Predicted 06 Dec-08 Dec 073/073/073
90 Day Mean 05 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 04 Dec 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 05 Dec 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 06 Dec-08 Dec 007/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 06 Dec-08 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/05/05
Minor storm 05/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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BY - Celebrating the launch of the Amateur Radio satellite XW-1, special event station BT3WX will be active from Taiyuan, Shanxi Province until 20 December. Look for activity on 160-10 metres and on VHF/UHF amateur satellite bands, including FM, SSB, CW, RTTY and PACSAT modes. QSL via BA1DU. [TNX BA1DU]
CO - Ed, CO7PH plans to operate SSB and CW as CO7PH/p from Cayo Coco (NA-086) on 17-31 December and from Cayo Anclitas (NA-201) on 2-5 January. [TNX CO7PH]
D2 - Paulo, CT1ITZ (D2CQ, ex D2PJB) was expected to QRT in late November [425DXN 967], but is now reported to remain in Angola until 27 December. He operates SSB ony. QSL via CT1IUA. [TNX F5NQL]
DL - DF9TM, DL2SWW and DL2VFR will operate CW and SSB as DF0WFF from Biosphere Reserve Schaalsee on 4-6 December. QSL via bureau. Information on the DL Flora & Fauna Award can be found at http://www.wff-dl.de/ [TNX DL2VFR]
FM - Fernando, EA1BT will be active on the HF bands as TO1BT from Martinique (NA-107) on 8-15 December. QSL via home call. [TNX F5NQL]
HA - Radio Club Puspokladany (HA0KHW) will be active as HG0WFF/p from three different Hungarian National Parks between 5 and 10 December. QSL via HA0HW, bureau preferred. [TNX HA0HW]
HR - Victor, N8OO and Andrei, NP3D will be active as HR2/N8OO, HR2/NP3D and HQ2S from Honduras on 10-20 December. They will operate CW, RTTY and SSB on all bands. Victor will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest, and Andrei will take part in the OK DX RTTY Contest. QSL HR2/N8OO via home call (or via UA9TF for ex CIS countries) QSL HR2/NP3D and HQ2S via W3HNK (or via RW6HS for ex CIS countries) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
I - IQ3GA/3 - not II3SB as previously announced [425DXN 969] - will be active from Burano Island (IOTA EU-131, IIA VE-010) for the 5th International ARMI Contest to be held on 5-6 December (details at http://www.assoradiomarinai.tk). QSL via IW3IE. [TNX IT9MRM]
ON_ant - Karel, ON5TN has been active as OR4TN from the Belgian Antarctic

base "Princess Elisabeth", Antarctica since 1 December. He will remain there until the end of January 2010, with activity on the amateur radio bands during his spare time. Look for him between 21 and 23 UTC around 7007 (CW) and 7077 (SSB). Updates will be posted on qrz.com under OR4TN. QSL via ON5TN.
T6 - Jack, W4JJ is now active as T6LC from Gardez (Paktia Province), Afghanistan. He expects to operate mainly on 40 and 20 metres CW and SSB, 1430-1800 UTC as time permits. QSL via K4MJN. [TNX NG3K]
VK9 - David A. Burton, VK9WBM will be working at the weather station on Willis Island (OC-007) for the next six months. He plans to operate on the HF bands and 6 metres in his spare time. QSL via VK4DMC. [TNX www.southgatearc.org]
XE - The 10-14 December XF3RR IOTA expedition to Isla El Cerrito (NA-153) [425DXN 967] has been cancelled. The Radio Club Cancun plans to organize another operation from a different island in the same IOTA group in a few months' time.
XU - Peter, XU7ACY and Wim, XU7TZG will be active as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (AS-133) on 11-14 December. They will operate CW (Peter) and SSB and PSK31 (Wim) on 80-10 metres. QSL via ON7PP, direct only. [TNX NG3K]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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2010 IDXC ---> The 61st Annual International DX Convention, sponsored by the Southern California DX Club, will be held at The Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center Visalia on 16-18 April 2010. Preregistration began on 1 December. Complete details can be found at http://www.dxconvention.org/. For questions regarding registration or DX stations who need lodging assistance, please email Cathy Gardenias, K6VC at the address located on the website under registration. [TNX N6RV]

A35A ---> "Paul, A35A's move to Vava'u (OC-064) has been postponed indefinitely, and perhaps cancelled altogether", The Daily DX reports [425DXN 946]. "He remains QRV from Lifuka Island, Ha'apai (OC-169) until further notice".

CQ DX MARATHON ---> Each year, from 1 January to 31 December, CQ Magazine sponsors a challenge to work as many countries and zones as possible in the calendar year. The 2009 edition of the CQ Magazine DX Marathon ends soon, but there is still time to fill in some missing countries and zones. For complete rules and submission information, please visit www.dxmarathon.com [TNX K9EL]

CQ WW CLAIMED SCORES ---> Valery, RW3GU maintains an Unofficial Claimed Scores web page (http://pileup.ru/) for the 2009 CQ WW DX Contest (SSB and CW). Scores are based on 3830 reflector posts and claimed results from CQWW

logs received page.

K5D ---> The long anticipated K5D (Desecheo 2009) DVD is now available for sale. It was written, produced and narrated by Bob Allphin, K4UEE and edited by Ed Boutwell, W4ZSB. This is their seventh DXpedition DVD. To purchase a copy, go to www.kp5.us and click on the link on the first page. [TNX K4UEE]

RDA TRIP ---> Denis, RA4FJV says that his Russian District Award 2009 trip is over after some 7000 QSOs made as UE4FDA and RA4FJV/m from 28 different districts. On-line logs can be found at http://www.ra4fjv.org/logs/search.html; QSL dia RA4FJV, direct (Denis Ogurok, Chernyshevskogo 1-1, 442153, Nizhny Lomov, Russia) or bureau.

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@...)

TX3A ---> The Online QSL Request System for TX3A is now up and running at http://tx3a.com/qsl.html (it can be used for either direct and bureau cards).

+ SILENT KEYS + Andrej V. Golopurov, RU1AO is one of the victims of the Nevsky Express train disaster on 27 November. He was returning from Moscow to Saint Petersburg for the CQ WW CW. Other recently reported Silent Keys include Ben Clarkson (G7WHO), Paul Knight (KE5OVA), CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Famer Jerry Sevick (W2FMI), Antonio Scolamiero (YV4DDK) and New Zealand's Top DXer Roy Jackson (ZL4BO).

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3V3S DL9USA EV8D EW8CY PD450OBL PD0LDC
3W1M OM3JW EX2X EA5KB PI4COM PA3CAL
3Z40KP SP5KP FM5CD F5VU PJ2T N9AG
4D1N DV1UBY FR1AN NI5DX PJ4A K4BAI
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4L2M EA7FTR G5O G3VOU PT5A AI4U
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9M6 - Tony, KM0O, is currently (25-30 November) operating as 9M6LSC from the Langkah Syabas Beach Hotel club station on all 10-160 metres, mainly (or all) CW, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL this operation only via KM0O. [TNX 9M6DXX]
CE0Y - Lars, SM6CUK will be active as CE0Y/SM6CUK from Easter Island until 6 December, including and entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. He operates CW only, with a special temporary authorization to use 30 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
CX - Ghis, ON5NT will be active as CX5NT from Uruguay on 12-17 December. He plans to operate holiday style during the local evening and night hours, typically on 30 and 40 metres CW. QSL via ON5NT. [TNX ON5NT]
EA - Adolfo, EA7TV will be active as EG7OFM on 28-29 November from La Rabida Monastery. The special callsign is in celebration of the 800th anniversary of the Order of Friars Minor, founded by Saint Francis of Assisi. QSL via EA7TV, bureau preferred. [TNX EA7TV]
F - TM23T, TM4TLT and other special stations will be activated for the 23rd annual Telethon, the fund-raising event organized by the French Muscular Dystrophy Association that will take place on 4-5 December. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX F8REF]
GM - MS0INT is the callsign issued to the IOTA expedition to the difficult to access Flannan Isles (EU-118) [425DXN 963]. Weather permitting, a team of five determined operators (EA1DR, EC2ADN, EA3NT, MM0NDX and SM0MDG) will be active from this rare group on 18-21 June. QSL via M0URX. Further information is expected in due course. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
H40 - Siegfried, DK9FN will be active again as H40FN (QSL via HA8FW) from the Reef Islands (OC-065), Temotu Province on 6-19 February. He will operate CW only, with a strong emphasis on 160 and 80 metres, while Bernhard, DL2GAC (H40MS, QSL via home call) will operate SSB and Hans-Peter, DG1FK (H40FK, QSL via home call) will operate mainly PSK31. Further information to be found at http://hari-ham.com/h40fn/

HH - Steve, VE2TKH is active in his spare time as HH2/VE2TKH from Petionville, Haiti until 15 December. He focuses on 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres, but power is currently only available between 01.00 to 11.00 UTC, while between 11 and 6 UTC he runs battery power. QSL via M0URX. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
HL_ssh - Sang Hoon Lee, DS4NMJ will be active as DT8A from the Korean Antarctic base King Sejong on King George Island South Shetlands (AN-010) for 14 months, from 5 December 2009 through 31 January 2011. He plans to operate on all bands mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via HL2FDW. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]
I - II0SB/mm from an Italian Navy Coast Guard patrol boat (QSL via IS0MKX) and II3SB from Burano Island (IOTA EU-131, IIA VE-010, QSL via IW3IE) will be two stations participating in the 5th International ARMI Contest to be held on 5-6 December (details at http://www.assoradiomarinai.tk). [TNX IT9MRM]
IS0 - A group of operators from the Sardinia QRP Club (IQ0QP) will be active from the lighthouse at Capo Sant'Elia (ARLHS SAR-019, WAIL SA-008) on mainland Sardinia (EU-024) from about 18 UTC on 12 December until about 10 UTC on the 13th. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 20, 30, 40 and 80 metres. QSL direct (see qrz.com). [TNX IS0VSU]
KP2 - Sharon, K7WZB and Garry, K9WZB will be active as K2V from Saint Croix, US Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 2-14 December. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-6 metres, with special attention for 6m openings. QSL via K9WZB (direct only). On-line log at http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/K2V [TNX NG3K]
OH - Santa Claus Land (OH9SCL) will be again active in December from the Artic Circle. Activity will be on 10-160 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via OH9UV. [TNX The Daily DX]
OZ - Special event station 5P15COP will be active on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and digital modes on 7-18 December from Sjaelland (EU-029) during the United Nations Climate Change Conference that will be held in Copenhagen. QSL via OZ5BAL, direct or bureau. Further information, including detail of the relevant certificate, can be found at http://www.5p15cop.dk [TNX OZ1JTE]
PA - Special event station PB500GT will be active from 28 November to 13 December to celebrate the 500th anniversary of Grote Toren, the great bell tower that is the main landmark of the city of Breda. QSL via PA1WLB. [TNX F5NQL]
S2 - S21RC, S21AM, S21S and S21D will return to St Martin's Island (AS-127), Bangladesh on 21-25 February. They plan to operate as S21DX with two stations. QSL via EB7DX. They are looking for a few pieces of equipment, instructions on how to help and further information can be found at http://iota.s2dx.org/ [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
ST - ST2AR is the new callsign issued to Robert, S53R [425DXN 960]. Look for him to participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. For the time being, QSL via S53R (direct only). [TNX NG3K]
TF - Darren, G0TSM will be in Reykjavik, Iceland from 27 November to 1 December. He hopes to make some S&P QSOs during the CQ WW DX CW

Contest as TF/G0TSM. QSL via home call. [TNX G0TSM]
TI - TI7WGI, DH8WR, DL2JRM and DL3ALF will be active as TI7XX from San Jose Island (NA-191) from 30 December to 5 January. They plan to operate CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY on all bands with two stations. QSL via DL2JRM, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
V3 - Wil, EA7HEJ (PA0WWV) will operate SSB and CW as V31WV from Belize until 20 December. QSL direct only to Wil Lameree, Apartado Postal 107, 21830 Bonares, Huelva, Spain.
VE - Special callsign VE3PARK will be in use on 1-31 December to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Canada's National Parks System. QSL via VE3NOO. [TNX F5NQL]
VP2M - Mike, W1USN will be operate mainly SSB and PSK31 as VP2MPR from Montserrat (NA-103) from 28 February to 13 March. Bob, AA1M will operate mostly CW as VP2MPL on 6-11 March. QSL via home calls. [TNX AA1M]
VP2V - Kurt, W3HQ will be active as VP2V/W3HQ from Virgin Gorda, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 4-16 December. He will operate CW only, with a focus on 160 and 10 metres during the weekends, and on 30, 12 and 17 metres during the week. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
XU - Norbert, F6AXX and Alain, F6HBR will operate CW only (3520, 7020, 10115, 14020, 18071, 21020, 24891 and 28020 kHz) as XU7UFT from Sihanoukville, Cambodia on 3-8 December. QSL via F6AXX, direct or bureau. Direct cards will be replied to after 15 January 2010. [TNX F5NQL]
YB - Adhi, YB3MM will be active in his spare time as YB3MM/p from Bawean Island (OC-197) between 4 and 9 December. His activity will be limited to 15 metres CW. QSL via IZ8CCW. [TNX IZ8CCW]

CQ WW DX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (28-29 November):

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	DXCC	QSL VIA
05	VP9I	SOAB LP	Bermuda	N1HRA
07	TI5A	SOSB 20m LP	Costa Rica	TI5KD or K2PLF
07	TI5N	SOSB 15m	Costa Rica	W3HNK
07	V31CW	SO	Belize	KU1CW
07	YN2GY	SO	Nicaragua	K9GY
07	YS4U	M/S	El Salvador	N0AT
08	6Y1V	M/2	Jamaica	OH3RB
08	8P5A	SOAB HP	Barbados	NN1N
08	8P9SS	SOAB LP	Barbados	ND3F
08	CM8CAD	SOSB 40m LP	Cuba	qrz.com
08	CO6LP	SOSB 40m	Cuba	CO6LP
08	CO8LY	SOSB 15m LP	Cuba	EA7ADH
08	CO8TW	SOSB 160m LP	Cuba	HB9SVT
08	FM5CD	M/S	Martinique	F5VU
08	HI3TEJ	SOAB LP	Dominican Republic	ON4IQ
08	J38XJ	SO QRP	Grenada	LoTW
08	KP2M	M/?	US Virgin Islands	AI4U
08	NP4Z	SOAB HP	Puerto Rico	WC4E

08 T48K M/? Cuba DK1WI
08 TO4D SO Guadeloupe F6AUS
08 TO5T SOAB HP Martinique JE1JKL
08 V26K SOAB LP Antigua AA3B
08 V47NT SOAB HP St. Kitts W2RQ
08 WP3C SOSB 80m Puerto Rico W3HNK
08 ZF2AM SOAB Cayman Isls K6AM
09 9Y4W SO Tobago DL4MDO
09 FY5KE SOAB QRP French Guiana FY1FL
09 P40A SOAB Aruba WD9DZV
09 P40W SOAB Aruba N2MM
09 P49Y SOAB HP Aruba AE6Y
09 PJ2T M/2 Netherlands Antilles N9AG
09 PJ4A M/? Netherlands Antilles K4BAI
09 YW4D SOSB 40m Venezuela EA7JX
10 HC8N M/M Galapagos Isls W5UE
11 ZP0R SOAB Paraguay ZP5AZL
12 CE0Y/SM6CUK SOAB LP Easter Island SM6CUK
13 CW7T M/2 Uruguay K5WW
13 LU8YE M/2 Argentina EA7FTR
14 4U1ITU M/S ITU Geneva 4U1ITU
14 CR2X SOAB HP Azores OH2BH
14 CR5X M/S Portugal DJ9MH
14 EE2W M/M Spain EB2BXL
14 GJ2A SOAB HP Jersey qrz.com
14 GU4YOX SOSB 20m Guernsey GU4YOX
14 LX7I M/M Luxembourg LX2A
14 MD4K SOSB 15m Isle of Man G3NKC
14 MD6V SOSB 20m Isle of Man G3NKC
14 MJ0ASP SOSB 80m Jersey MJ0ASP
14 MZ5B SOSB Scotland (Shetland) G3TXF
14 OQ3R SOAB Belgium ON4RU
14 OY6A M/S Faroe Isls LoTW
14 TM0R M/S France F5GGL
14 TM2S M/S France F5PED
14 ZB2X SOSB 10m Gibraltar OH2KI
15 IR9X SO Italy (Sicily) IW9HLM
15 IU9T SOAB Italy (Sicily) IT9GSF
15 OH0V SOSB 160m Aland Isls bureau
15 OH0Z SOAB HP Aland Isls W0MM
15 RW2F M/? Kaliningrad DK4VW
17 EY8MM SOSB 160m Tajikistan K1BV
20 4X/RV2FW SOSB 40m Israel UA1 bureau
20 4Z5J SOSB 80m Israel W0MM
20 5B/G4IRN SOSB Cyprus G4IRN
20 5B/HA5PP SOSB Cyprus HA5PP
20 C4I M/? Cyprus LZ2HM
20 C4W SOAB Cyprus 5B4WN
20 P33W M/S Cyprus RA3AUU
20 SV9COL SOAB Crete SV9COL

20 TC4X SO Turkey OH2BH
20 YM3A SOSB 40m Turkey (Asia) LZ1NK
20 ZC4T SOAB UK SBA Cyprus qrz.com
21 4L0A SOAB HP Georgia EA7FTR
21 4L8A SOSB 20m Georgia K1BV
21 9K2HN SOSB 80m Kuwait 9K2HN
21 A73A M/S Qatar EA7FTR
22 VU2PAI SOAB HP India VU2PAI
22 VU2PTT SOAB or SOSB India VU2PTT
23 JU1DX M/2 Mongolia qrz.com
23 JV1A SOAB Mongolia WV6E
24 B7P M/M China BD7IXG
25 6M0HZ/2 M/? South Korea DS2AGH
26 E20WXA SOSB 40m LP Thailand E20WXA
26 E21AOY SOSB 15m QRP Thailand E21AOY
26 E21EIC SOAB Thailand LoTW
26 E21IZC SOSB 20m LP Thailand E21IZC
26 HS0AC SOAB Thailand HS0ZFZ
26 HS8JYX SOSB 20m Thailand HS8JYX
26 HS8KGG SOAB LP Thailand HS8KGG
26 XU7ACY SOAB LP Cambodia W2EN
26 XW1B SOAB Laos E21EIC
27 4D1N SO Philippines DV1UBY
27 AH0/AH2Y Saipan HL1IWD
27 AH2R M/S Guam JH7QXJ
27 KG6DX SOSB HP Guam KG6DX
27 KH0/WX8C Saipan HL1IWD
27 T88CI SOAB Palau HA5AO
28 9M6LSC SOAB East Malaysia KM0O
28 YB0ECT SOSB 20m Indonesia K3AIR
29 VK6AA M/S Australia DL8YR
29 VK8NSB SOAB Australia VK6NE
29 VK9XW Christmas Island DL1RTL
30 TX3A SOAB LP Chesterfield Isls HA7RY
31 KH6ZN SOAB HP Hawaii AI4U
32 A31A Tonga PA3LEO
32 A35A SOSB 80m LP Tonga W7TSQ
32 A35KL SOAB LP Tonga W6ZL
32 FO8RZ SOAB French Polynesia F8BPN
32 TX1B SOAB New Caledonia LZ1JZ
32 ZM4T M/2 New Zealand ZL2AL
33 3V3S M/S LP Tunisia DL9USA
33 AN8R M/? Canary Isls EA8AY
33 CN2R SO Morocco W7EJ
33 CN3A SO Morocco I2WIJ
33 CR3E SOAB Madeira W3HNK
33 CR3L M/2 Madeira Isls DJ6QT
33 EA8CMX SOSB Canary Isls OH2BYS
33 EA8URL M/M Canary Isls EA8URL
33 EA9/OL8R SO LP Ceuta & Melilla OK1DRQ

33 EF8M SOAB HP Canary Isls UA3DX
33 IG9U SOSB 80m (African) Italy I1NVU
33 IG9W SOSB 40m (African) Italy IZ1GAR
33 IG9X SOSB 15m (African) Italy IK1QBT
34 ST2AR SOSB 15m Sudan S53R
35 6V7R SOAB HP Senegal UT5UGR
35 6W1RW SOAB HP Senegal F6BEE
35 9L5A M/2 Sierra Leone G3SXW
35 D4C SO Cape Verde qrz.com
36 9J3A SOAB LP Zambia S57S
36 ZD8RH SOAB Ascension Isl G4DBW
38 A25NW SOSB Botswana K9NW
38 V5/DJ4SO SOSB Namibia DJ4SO
38 ZS4TX SOAB South Africa LoTW
39 5R8ZO SOAB HP Madagascar OH0XX
40 TF/G0TSM SOAB Iceland G0TSM
40 TF3CW SOSB 40m Iceland LX1NO
40 TF4X M/S Iceland G3SWH
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2009.html - good contest to you all!

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

ARRL 160 METER CONTEST ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs worldwide to work W/VE amateurs on 160 metres CW only (complete rules can be found at http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2009/160-meters.html). This year's event will run from 22.00 UTC on 4 December through 16.00 UTC on the 6th.

IOTA ANNUAL UPDATE (NEW DEADLINE) ---> The deadline for this year and future years is 31 JANUARY (one day earlier than previously).
Applications or updates submitted online on or before 31 January 2010 will count for the 2010 Honour Roll and Annual Listings so long as the supporting cards sent to checkpoints are postmarked no later than that date. Updates postmarked after 31 January will be processed in the normal way but scores will be held over to the following year's listing. To remain listed in the performance tables participants will need to have updated at least once since February 2005.
On-line credit for QSOs made during the 2009 IOTA Contest is expected to be claimable around Easter 2010.

NAVAL CONTEST ---> This year's International Naval Contest will be organized by the Nucleo de Radioamadores da Armada (NRA), the Portuguese Navy Amateur Radio Club. Complete details on the event, that will be held on 12-13 December, can be found at http://www.nra.pt/

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Marc, F6DAY says he is receiving cards for 5R8AL, but he is not and has never been his QSL manager.

QSL GA2MP ---> This special event callsign will be in use until 30 November. Current logs are in LoTW as of 19 November. QSLs are on order, but will not be in-hand before the cutoff for DXCC (31 December). If anyone needs a card for their 2009 DXCC submission, N3SL can fill your request using a GS2MP card. Simply indicate that with your QSL. Those who already have sent an SASE, email N3SL (n3sl@...) with the request to confirm using the GS2MP card. All others will be answered when the new cards arrive. [TNX N3SL]

QSL 9M6LSC ---> Please note that the QSL route for contacts made on 25-30 November 2009 (CQWW CW included) is via KM0O. The callsign was used also by Brian, 5B4AIZ/G4ODV on 6-9 March 2008 (QSL via G3SWH). For all other operations as 9M6LSC QSLs should go via JN1WTK. [TNX 9M6DXX]

QSL PT5UN & ZW5UN ---> The new QSL route for both ZW5UN and PT5UN is via K3IRV.

TX3A ---> If the weather holds fine as forecast, TX3A is expected to go QRT at the end of the CQ WW DX CW Contest at 24 UTC on 29 November (i.e. on 30 November at 10 AM Chesterfield time). They will depart for Australia on 1 December.

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Ron Levy (K2CO), Kenneth L. Adams (K5KA), Andy Jarema (N6TCQ), John F. Mayger, Jr. (W4DJ), Bob Taylor (W5LBT) and Tracy Hull, TL8HW. "In the late 1980's he was very active from Bangui, Central African Republic", Paul, W4FC says. "He was a Baptist missionary and served there for over 20 years until the political situation prohibited him from returning. He died from a heart attack at the age of 69 in Clermont, FL. He gave out many new country contacts while there".

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2GM, 3W1M, 4U1ITU, 4U1UN, 4W6AL, 5H1EE, 5N0OCH, 5V7SE, 7X0DX, 8R1DB, 8R1TO, 9G5ZZ, 9M2AX, 9M6/JJ2CJB, 9Y4D, A45WG, A61BK, A7/M0FGA, A73A, AH0BT, BA8AG/4 (AS-136), BD9TD, C31CT, CE1KR, CO8LY, CP4BT, DX1J, E51NOU, E51QMA, E51TUG, EA9IE, EA9LZ, EK6LP, EK6TA, EK7DX, EY7AD, EY8MM, FG5LA, FK8GM, FO/G3BJ (OC-050 & OC-152), FP/G3ZAY, FR1AN, FS/K1XM, GP0STH, GT4IOM, H40MY (OC-178, OC-192, OC-162), H44TO (OC-192), HP3AK, J28JA, J29ZG, J5UAP, J69MV, J79ZG, K7A (NA-236), K9AJ/VY0 (NA-185), KD6WW/VY0 (NA-185), KH7XS, KL5O, LA2NK (EU-044), OX2A, OY3AA, PJ5/AH6HY, R1ANB, T2G, T30GM, T70A, TK9X, TO8YY, TY5ZR, UN4L, V51AS, V8FGM, VE1/G3ZAY, VK9LA, VU2PAI, WP3C, YI1RZ, YI9TM, YL2GN, YO4ATW, Z21BC, Z35M, Z37M, ZK2NX, ZL7/N7OU, ZS6RJ.

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12037. LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 00:46:46 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11052 Message: 12037

Hi
I recently heard from ZL1ALZ that he never received LOTW confirmation of two of our QSOs in 2005.
e.g., his time was 0527z and mine was 0428z - we figure that LOTW has a narrower match window.
My time was correct (local + 4 hours) because Indianapolis did not use DST (unlike much of the rest of the state).
Had I been on DST, the time would have matched his (my local time + 5 hours).
Any ideas about what is happening here (why no match).
tx and 73
frank w0ecs

12038. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 00:50:45 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 11052 Message: 12038

Yep, both stations' times have to be within 30 minutes or else no match.

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Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

-----Original Message-----
From: Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...>
Date: Sat, 05 Dec 2009 19:46:46
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

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12039. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 01:12:55 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11052 Message: 12039

If you were both accurately logging in UTC there would not be a
problem. One of your two systems was incorrectly calculating UTC
which is why the one hour discrepancy--too much for LOTW. Whichever
log entry is in error needs to be corrected and re-uploaded to LOTW.

Dick

At 04:46 PM 12/5/2009, Frank T Brady wrote:
>Hi
>I recently heard from ZL1ALZ that he never received LOTW confirmation of
>two of our QSOs in 2005.
>e.g., his time was 0527z and mine was 0428z - we figure that LOTW has a
>narrower match window.
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>frank w0ecs
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12040. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 01:19:55 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11052 Message: 12040

I see your point Dick - I'll have to get with zl1alz and see which of us
used the incorrect UTC.
I'm glad to hear that it's ok to correct the time and upload the qsos again.
That was a question I forgot to ask.
I was worried that the system wouldn't want me to modify info and resubmit.
tx and 73
frank w0ecs

Dick Flanagan wrote:
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> problem. One of your two systems was incorrectly calculating UTC
> which is why the one hour discrepancy--too much for LOTW. Whichever
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> Dick
>

12041. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 01:21:29 UTC
From: R Johnson
Topic: 11052 Message: 12041

Hi Frank:
The time match window is 30 Min.

I think your time calculation is reversed.

EST + 5 = GMT
EDT + 4 = GMT

Probably all the other QSO's you submitted in that upload won't match.

Just change the time and reload to LoTW.

73 es GL
Bob, K1VU

At 19:46 12/5/2009, you wrote:
>Hi
>I recently heard from ZL1ALZ that he never received LOTW confirmation of
>two of our QSOs in 2005.
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12042. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 01:22:18 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 11052 Message: 12042

By chance was the clock on your computer set for DST? Mine changes automatically twice a year. Could the 2005 contact been when Indiana went on DST? Just a thought.
gl es 73 de Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Frank T Brady" <franktbrady@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 05, 2009 4:46 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

> Hi
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12043. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 01:43:41 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 11052 Message: 12043

At 05:19 PM 12/5/2009, you wrote:
>I was worried that the system wouldn't want me to modify info and resubmit.

LOTW doesn't allow you to modify or delete an entry. As far as LOTW
is concerned, you will be uploading an entirely new QSO. You will
end up with two entries in LOTW, one correct and one incorrect. This
is how LOTW was designed.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12044. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW qso/qsl time matching

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 02:03:21 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 11052 Message: 12044

Thanks Dick,
I've examined my qso log, and from 2005/04/02 through 2005/10/28 I was using the DST GMT offset when I should NOT have been (Indianapolis and some other Indiana areas weren't going to DST at that time. So, I'll have to adjust and resubmit that batch of QSOs. Maybe I'll get a needed confirmation or two! At least I will help guys like ZL1ALZ get their confirmations.
This has been very worthwhile - thanks everyone.
73 frank w0ecs

Dick Flanagan wrote:
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> resubmit.
>
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> Dick
> --
> Dick Flanagan K7VC
> dick@... <mailto:dick%40k7vc.com>
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12045. UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 13:38:49 UTC
From: Norman Alexander
Topic: 12045 Message: 12045

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"My time was correct (local + 4 hours) because Indianapolis did not use DST (unlike much of the rest of the state). Had I been on DST, the time would have matched his (my local time + 5 hours)."

The solution is to use EST (local time year round in Fort Wayne) plus 5 hours for all QSO's.

Remember, if you "Spring ahead" one hour, UTC does not change so now the differential is less, "Fall Back", well you can figure that out too.

Regards,

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12046. Re: [DX-IS] UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 14:34:57 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12045 Message: 12046

For the USA, why not tune in to WWV before every contest to make sure you
have it right (and to synchronize your clock)? I do that.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Dec 6, 2009 at 7:38 AM, Norman Alexander <npalex@...>wrote:

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12047. Re: [DX-IS] UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 14:54:02 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 12045 Message: 12047

Zack Widup wrote:
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WindowsXP service pack 3 broke the automatic DST feature. It reverted to
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Remember the USS Liberty (AGTR-5)
http://ussliberty.org/

12048. Re: [DX-IS] UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 15:06:20 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12045 Message: 12048

I don't entirely trust the computer for accuracy. That's why I tune in to
WWV and if they say "twelve hours forty five minutes coordinated universal
time," that's what I set my clock to.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Dec 6, 2009 at 8:54 AM, Roger D Johnson <n1rj@...> wrote:

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12049. Re: [DX-IS] UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 15:15:04 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 12045 Message: 12049

There are many applications that will sync the computer to a GOOD time standard from a time server.

The one I use is called "D4TIME" which can be found on the Internet. It has a number of Internet time servers in its configuration and also measures the time delay between to server and your computer and adjusts accordingly. It has a small footprint in memory and can be set up to automatically update the computer clock periodically - as a Task Tray application.

John

--- On Sun, 12/6/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...m> wrote:

> From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] UTC time Calc error
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Sunday, December 6, 2009, 10:06 AM
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12050. Fw: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 17:42:19 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12050 Message: 12050

This was a response I got in October
----- Original Message -----
From: Geoff Wilson
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2009 8:22 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

I have never bothered to use anything but the built in features of WinXP. It sets the clock with time.windows.com once a week. However it is trival to change it to the time server of your choice. I use time.nrc.ca the source for CHU and a simple reg edit changes the frequency that the time is set to once/hour. By doingit that way I don't have software running in the background the uses system resources and memory. Check out the

Configuring the Windows Time service to use an external time source
section in http://support.microsoft.com/kb/314054

Hope it helps

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Geoff
VE1GW

12051. On Spotting PSK-31 DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 18:10:14 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12051 Message: 12051

I've recently been accused of a number of things regarding DXClusters and PSK-31 DX.

First of all, I do not want to or intend to diminish anyone's joy of DXing.

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I consider myself fortunate to have worked in the emerging wireless industry before the IBM PC and cell phones in applications development of NexTel® and Blackberry® products for one of the world's insurance giants.

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I am grateful for the many DX confirmations that I've received, although I'd like to have Crozet and South Sandwich "on the wall" instead of just 342/336.... (oops, "ego spot!!")

I'm grateful that I have the time to spend, four to eight hours a week, looking for new ones.

I found this location to have little noise and a good receiving / transmitting location on glacial moraine.

I do NOT spot everything I hear, but I try to spot DX PSK-31 stations which MAY be of interest to other Digital DXers.

I believe that those who are complaining may have some resource limitation, either bandwidth or computing power. As a former DXCluster Sysop, I still have the manual with the necessary filter commands and will be happy to provide the DXC commands to improve resource utilization.

DX IS!

Best regards and apologies to all,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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gary.huber@...

12052. Re: [DX-IS] On Spotting PSK-31 DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 18:18:17 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12051 Message: 12052

Hey, it's all about DXCC anyway and there is a separate award for Digital DXCC, which includes PSK-31. What's the problem?

Just because everyone isn't going for digital DXCC doesn't mean the spots aren't useful to some people.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sun, Dec 6, 2009 at 12:10 PM, CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M <glhuber@...>wrote:

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12053. Re: [DX-IS] On Spotting PSK-31 DX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 18:20:15 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 12051 Message: 12053

Gary, I am grateful I figured out how to set up VE7CC's program to filter out all your spots. Also anything that says RTTY or PSK in the comments. Now we're both happy.

The complainers should try that route.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from Miquelon in July 2010 for the IARU COntest

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12054. Re: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 18:29:31 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12050 Message: 12054

On XP and Vista, you may change the time zone yoiu are in (and yes it does have both versions of Indiana) by checking a box that automatically changes youir time. It will warn you of the change one week in advance. Right click on the time in the lower right hand of your task tray. Will even adjust time for contest software (at least mine does)

Dale K8TS
----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@theunion.net>
To: "DX" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2009 12:42:19 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Fw: [DX-IS] date/time/ and other confusion

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12055. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12055

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 06 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 340 Issued at 2200Z on 06 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 05/2100Z
to 06/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours. The visible solar disk is spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 05/2100Z to 06/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. The ACE spacecraft solar wind
observations show velocities have steadily decreased through the
period from around 430-375 km/s.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be at quiet levels for the next three days (07-09
December).
III. Event Probabilities 07 Dec-09 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 06 Dec 072
Predicted 07 Dec-09 Dec 073/073/073
90 Day Mean 06 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 05 Dec 003/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 06 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 07 Dec-09 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 07 Dec-09 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12056. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #937

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-06 22:31:22 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 12056 Message: 12056

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 937

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December 7, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th-November, through Sunday, 6th-December there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FK/c, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9X, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2009 CQ DX MARATHON (Less than a month to go!) John, K9EL, Program Manager for the CQ DX Marathon, wants to remind everyone that there is less than a month left in the 2009 version of CQ Magazine's annual DX Marathon! Each year from January 1st to December 31st, CQ Magazine sponsors a challenge to work as many countries and zones as possible in the calendar year. This

year's edition ends soon, but there is still time to fill in some missing countries and zones. Last year's winner was determined by a QSO made on December 21st, so keep working DX! For complete rules and submission information, please see their Web site at: http://www.dxmarathon.com

3W, VIETNAM (Update/Operator Needed!! [VERY RARE IOTA - #2]). An international group of operators will be active as 3W6C from Con Co Island (AS-185), Vietnam, in April 10-18th, 2010 (See OPDX.926 for more details). Paul, AA1MI/HB9DST, EUCW Communications Manager for the "Helvetia Telegraphy Club", reports that the 3W6C DXpedition has an opening for one additional experienced CW operator. He states, "This DXpedition is being headed up by several members of the Helvetia Telegraphy Club, but we also have members from other countries including Vietnam. German language is NOT required to participate. Full details about the DXpedition are available at: http://www.3w6c.qrv.ch
If you or any members of your organization would like to be considered a candidate for this open spot on our crew, please send details about your background and DXing experience to Hans-Peter at: hb9bxe@...
He can likewise give you further details about expenses, travel, etc."

3V10, TUNISIA (Special Event). The Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts (3V8ST) in the CAST will commemorate their 10th anniversary by activating special event station 3V10A from the headquarters of Tunisian Scouts in Tunis Mahrajens (Tunisia's capital city). Activity will last until December 31st. QSL via: AMATEUR RADIO CLUB STATION TUNIS, P.O. Box 339, 1082, Tunisia.

5I, TANZANIA. Igor, UA3DJY, is currently in Dar Es Salaam, and plans to operate from the DIT Communications Club station, 5I3A, until December 15th. Over the past weekend, Igor has been very active on 17 meters CW between 0730-1400z. QSL via RK3AOL.

61ST IDXC. The 61st Annual International DX Convention sponsored by the Southern California DX Club will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center, Visalia, CA, April 16th, 17th, 18th, 2010. Pre-registration begins December 1st, 2009. The International DX Convention is the world's foremost DX convention. If you are a DXer or interested in any aspect of ham radio, you need to be at Visalia. Top DX operators from around the world will be there. Meet the big guns from the US, Asia, Europe, Africa and Oceania. Meet the people on the other side of the mic or key. Shake hands with the person you have had that sked with for the past 10 years. Renew friendships. Don't forget your YL! We will have something special for them as well. Top DXpeditioners from every continent tell you how they did it. Learn the secrets for big signals on the top band, how to have fun and adventures chasing IOTA, contest forum, antenna forum, DX forum, seminars for everyone from the seasoned pro to the beginning DXer. Attend the traditional Saturday night banquet where great friends and good food are met with lively presentations. The Sunday breakfast buffet has a terrific selection and variety. Enjoy more presentations and the parody, "Are You Smarter Than a DXer. This year there is a twist! Visit the manufacturers' midway where you can talk to the people

who design and use the latest and best equipment. Don't forget the raffle prizes which top even the famed Dayton Hamvention! For the early arrivers NCCC will be hosting the Contest Academy on Friday! Stop by their Web site for more details at: http://www.dxconvention.org
For questions regarding registration or DX stations who need lodging assistance, please E-mail Cathy Gardenias, K6VC, at the address located on the Web site under registration.

8Q, MALDIVES. Thomas, OE2ATN, is planning to be active as 8Q7AT from the Island of Velidhu (AS-013) next year between May 23rd and June 4th (2010). Activity will be mainly SSB on 80/40/20 meters using a Yaesu FT-897D (w/LDG Auto-Tuner and 100 watts) into possibly a G5RV antenna. QSL via OE2ATN (QSL cards will go out via GlobalQSL.com).

A3, TONGA (Island News/Update). Paul, A35A, informs OPDX on December 2nd, that Dave/W6ZL (A35KL) was leaving Ha'apai on December 3rd. Dave should be in New Zealand by the time you read this. Paul states, "Dave probably won't be QRV again from Tonga until perhaps April 2010. He may be able to get on the air from ZL, when he visits some of his radio buddies down there. I'll let him fill you in if/when that happens." He also mentions, "All antenna work here at A35A is 99% complete. The SteppIR yagi (w/6m add-on) is up and working fine; the 4 element 6m beam has been cleaned up and is working fine; the SteppIR BigIR vertical (w/80M add-on) is up, but I still have some tweaking to do on the elevated radials to get a good impedance match. I intend to be more active from now on, especially on 80m. I want to finish up on 5BDXCC before my QSL manager (W7TSQ) gets tired of waiting! HI... The 6m Es season is fast approaching down here, so that should provide some excitement....especially since both North and South Cook Islands (E51CG and E51WL) are now QRV. Incidentally, our announced move to Vava'u (OC-064) has been postponed indefinitely, and perhaps cancelled altogether. A35A remains QRV from Lifuka Island, Ha'apai (OC-169) until further notice. QSL via W7TSQ or LoTW."

AFRICAN TOUR (Western). Peter, HA3AUI, is once again heading to Africa in early 2010. Look for him to be active as 6W2SC from Senegal and J5UAP from Guinea-Bissau between January 15th and March 31st. Peter used these callsigns once before. His stays in Senegal (6W) will be very near to the border of Guinea-Bissau (J5), and he plans to make regular trips to J5-land for the beautiful beaches there (plans to also operate from there). Using his Elecraft K3 with 500w into a 5-Band Spiderbeam and verticals, Peter's activity will be on 160-10 meters, mainly on the digital modes, but he will use the other modes on request. QSL direct via HA3AUI. Visit his Web site at: http://cqafrica.net

BT3, CHINA (Special Event). Look for special event station BT3WX to be active until possibly mid-December. Activity is to celebrate the launch of XW-1, China's first amateur satellite, as well as inspire radio amateurs and young people to learn about amateur satellite communication technology, space knowledge, and the popular amateur satellite activities in China. AMSAT-China will set up special event station in Taiyuan, Shanxi Province of China. Activity will be on all of HF amateur bands from 160-10 meters

and on VHF/UHF amateur satellite bands, including FM, SSB, CW, RTTY and PACSAT modes. The BT3WX activities have already started (but QSNs have been reported) and will last until the end of the launch (expected December 20th). QSL Manager is BA1DU: Alan Kung, P.O.Box 8091, Beijing, CHINA 100088. Operators mentioned are: BA4RB, BA4RN, BA4RS, BA4RX, BA4TA, BA4TB, BD4IBW, BD4REB, BD4RPJ, BD4XX, BH4REQ, BA6AA, BD6BW, BA7CK, BA7JG and BD7PZL. There are "BT3WX Communications Awards available" (HF Award and Satellite Award). For details, see AMSAT's Web site at: http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/news

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND. Toshi, JA8BMK, will be active as CE0Z/JA8BMK between January 19th and February 2nd. Marco, CE6TBN, will be joining him, but for only 5 days (dates were not provided). Activity will be on 160-10 meters, with a focus on the lower band, and they are expected to be using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will use an amp, and antennas will be a yagi and vertical. QSL direct to JA8BMK at: Toshi Fukuta, 2115-3 Nobori, Yoichi, Hokkaido 046-0002 Japan.

CO7, CUBA (IOTA Op). Edor, CO7PH, will activate the following Cuban IOTAs as CO7PH/P in the coming weeks in Cuba's 7th District:
NA-086 - Cayo Coco Island between December 17-31st
NA-201 - Cayo Anclitas Island between January 2-5th.
Bands and modes of activity as well as QSL route was not provided.

D2, ANGOLA (Update). Paulo, CT1ITZ, active as D2CQ, will be in Porto Amboim until December 27th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. Most of his activity this past week has been on 20/17 meters between 0830-1730z. He is using an Icom 706 and a Windom antenna. QSL via CT1IUA. Direct QSL, please send 2 USDs or one new IRC (ending 2013). QSLs without enough postage will go via Bureau.

DR09, GERMANY (WAP Op). German radio amateurs in the district Upper Bavaria (Southern Germany) will activate the special callsign DR09ANT (DOK "IPY" and WAP-Nr. 156) for the "Worldwide Antarctic Program" (WAP) for the last time between December 14-31st. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via Bureau.

DU, PHILIPPINES. Lee, HL1IWD, will be active as DU1/HL1IWD from Manila between December 31st and January 3rd. Activity will probably be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

DVD AVAILABLE FOR THE HOLIDAYS! The "KP1-5 Project" announced today that the long anticipated Desecheo K5D DVD entitled "so rare, so near, yet so far" is now available for sale. The DVD was 5 months in production and is receiving rave reviews. It was written, produced and narrated by Bob Allphin/K4UEE, and edited by Ed Boutwell/W4ZSB. This is their seventh DXpedition DVD. To purchase your personal copy or for a great Holiday gift, go to <http://www.kp5.us> and click on the link on the first page.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-133. Operators Peter/XU7ACY (ex-NO2R) and Wim/XU7TZG (ex-ON6TZ) will be active as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (aka Bamboo Island)

between December 11-14th. Activity will be on all bands,
80-10 meters on the regular IOTA and PSK frequencies. Modes
will be PSK31, SSB and CW. Peter will do the CW and Wim will
be on SSB and PSK31. QSL ONLY DIRECT with 2 USDs and a SAE
to the QSL Manager ON7PP.

NA-153. (OPERATION POSTPONED!) Operators Zalo/XE3N, Jose/XE3PP, Benigno/
XE2WK and Juan/XE3RR, who were expected to be active as XF3RR
from Isla Cerrito this week, have postponed their operation
(due to logistics) until possibly early 2010. Activity was
planned for 80-15 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via EB7DX.
This operation is organized by the Radio Club Cancun, and
was expected to be a low scale operation as the island is a
protected area of the government of Mexico. To avoid the
tranquillity of the thousands of birds and species that inhabit
the island, this island is subjected to many restrictions
including the amount of equipment and individuals on the
island. For updates, please visit the following Web page at:
http://www.xf3rr.net

SA-044. Pasquale, YV5KAJ, informs OPDX that he is celebrating his 25th
year in amateur radio by going on a DXpedition to the Island
of Tortuga and honoring Anacleto, IW5EID, for introducing the
hobby to him. He will also be using the special callsign,
YW5EID, during his operation between December 26-29th. Activity
will be on 40/30/20/17/15/12 meters using SSB and the Digital
modes (RTTY/BPSK/Olivia). QSL via EA5KB or see info on QRZ.com.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For December 7-13th)....
Dec 7 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Dec 8 AN ---------------
Dec 9 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Dec 10 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Dec 11 AN LN - Low Normal
Dec 12 AN
Dec 13 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LCL 2009. Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party will be held between December
19th and January 3rd (2010). More details about awards, certificates, prizes
and rules for the ARLHS 2009 Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party (LCL 2009)
are available on the following Web page at:
http://arlhs.com/LCL-2009-guidelines.html

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2010. Members of the National Capitol DX Association
(NCDXA) <http://www.qsl.net/ncdxa> elected the following officers to
serve in 2010 at their October 2009 annual meeting:

Dick Mayott/W2YE - President
John Kanode/N4MM - Vice President
George Vincent/K3GV - Secretary
Brian Bayus/N1KC - Treasurer

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
TX3A'S OQRS NOW ACTIVE. The TX3A's "Online QSL Request System" (OQRS) is now active at: http://tx3a.com/qsl.html

QSLS VIA LoTW: F9IE, FR5MV, K4M and TX3A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2GM, 4W6AL, 5B4KH, BA4DW, CU3EJ, E7/KX7M, EA3BOX, ES1WN, ET3JA, ES3AX, FK/JA1NLX, FP/G3ZAY, FR5ZL, HK3JJH, JT1CO, K9RR/4, KH7C, KH0/JR4GPA, LX1NO, LY2ZZ, OH1AA, OX3XR, R1ANC, R1ANY, RW6HS, T2G, T30GM, T68G, TF3CW, TG9NX, TI7DBS, TX5SPA, TX5SPM, UA2FFW, UN8GV, VY0O, W3HNK, WP4U, YW5F and ZK2NX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3V8SS, 4K9W, 4O/EA1DR, 5W0UK, 6V7O, 8J1RL, 9J2FM, 9K2/SP4R, 9M2TO, 9M6/N1UR, A52RY, C91YI, CE8A, CE0Y/SM6CUK, D68WL, DP1POL, DU7/PA0HIP, DX1J, E51CUK, H40FN, J3/DL7CM, J6/W0SA, KG4SS, KH6OO, KL7HBK, T88IW, UK/JI2MED, V5/DL2SL, VP6PR, XR7A, YS1G, ZD7X and ZK3MW

SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR (Update). As we mentioned last week, Ghis, ON5NT, will once again be on a South American trip through Brazil and Uruguay in December. He informs OPDX that there will not be any activity from Brazil as there is no reciprocal license between ON and PY (He states, "I can't get a PY license. Operating with my CEPT license/PY does not seem to be fully legal."). However, Ghis will be active from Uruguay between December 12-17th. His callsign will be CX5DNT (not CX5NT as first announced). He states, "The rule says the first letter after the number in the callsign indicates the region. The Montevideo region is A, B, C or D." As this is a holiday trip, he plans to be active mostly during the local evening/night hours. So check 30m (10107 being his preferred frequency) and 40m (CW in general); they will be the best options to catch him. QSL via ON5NT.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Jack, W4JJ, currently in Gardez (Paktia Province, Eastern Afghanistan), is working with the Afghan National Army, and has been issued the callsign T6LC from the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. There have been a couple of QSNs reported on 40m SSB and 20m CW. Jack expects to operate between 1430-1800z, as time permits. QSL via K4MJN. Visit his Web page at: http://www.w4jj.com

VK9W, WILLIS ISLAND. Reports indicate that David Burton (home callsign not provided) has been assigned to the "Bureau of Meteorology" station on Willis Island for the next 6 months and will be operating as VK9WBM. The last activation of Willis Island was by the Bavarian Contest Club in October 2008 as VK9DWX, and the team made +95k QSOs. David is currently on the island, but no QSNs have been reported. His activities will be limited to his free time, but he plans to be active as much as possible on the HF bands and 6 meters using an IC-718 and an Alinco DX70. Details of the station's setup are expected to be on QRZ.com. His QSL Manager is VK4DMC.

VR2, HONG KONG (Special Event). Members of the Hong Kong Amateur Radio Communications Association (VR2HAM) will activate special event station VR2EAG to celebrate 5th East Asian Games 2009 being hosted in Hong Kong. Activity will last until December 13th. QSL via: HK Amateur Radio Communications Association, GPO Box 7191 Hong Kong. Visit their Web page at: http://vr2ham-hk.com -- or -- http://vr2ham.org

VY1, CANADA (Need the Yukon!). "Yukon John", KL7JR, informs OPDX this week that he will be active as VY1RST from Destruction Bay, Yukon, between December 17-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB using various homebrew antennas. E-mail skeds are available at: KL7JR@...
John mentions that he will attempt to activate Jacquot Island on Kluane Lake for a "new one" (for the CISA) provided the ice is thick enough to drive on. QSL via the address on QRZ.com or the CBA.

YI, IRAQ. A group of operators called the "YI9PSE DXpedition team" are planning to visit Kurdistan and be active in the spring of 2010. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including 30/17/12 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have at least 3 stations on the air. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024
SSB - 1845, 3780, 7065/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495
RTTY - 7035, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz

The current YI9PSE Team consists of the following operators: Paul/N6PSE (Team Leader), Andreas/N6NU, Bob/N6OX, Bruce/W8HW, Garry/NI6T, David/AH6HY and Jun/JH4RHF. Pilot station will be Chuck/AA6G. QSL via N6NKT. Online logs will be available during and after the DXpedition. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.yi9pse.com

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1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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12057. Re: UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 12:57:19 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12045 Message: 12057

If you're "maintaining" your OS with microsoft updates, the DST information remains correct.

If the PC you use for ham radio functions is *only* used for ham radio functions, you can set the PC time to a country in the same time zone as UTC, set the UTC offset to zero and never mess with it again.

Personally, I wish we could just set our clocks to DST and then leave 'em alone.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Roger D Johnson <n1rj@...> wrote:
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> Zack Widup wrote:
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> > For the USA, why not tune in to WWV before every contest to make sure
> > you have it right (and to synchronize your clock)? I do that.
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
> >
> WindowsXP service pack 3 broke the automatic DST feature. It reverted to
> the old schedule. MS has a
> patch to fix it.
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> 73, Roger
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> --
> Remember the USS Liberty (AGTR-5)
> http://ussliberty.org/
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12058. Re: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 15:24:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12045 Message: 12058

At 08:57 AM 12/7/2009, aburkefl wrote, in part:

>Personally, I wish we could just set our clocks to DST and then
>leave 'em alone.
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>Art - N4PJ

I agree. Doesn't have to be DST - pick either "winter time" or "summer time" and leave it the same all year long. Somewhere I recall this time change was introduced either during WW II to increase daylight hours, or for farmers to have more daylight to work their fields. It does neither -- there are only so many hours of sunlight per day no matter what "o'clock" you call it.

Since I was a kid this resetting of all the clocks twice a year was a nuisance. Indiana didn't use DST until 2006, and they seemed to have survived OK. Saskatchewan uses DST all year around and seem to get by too. Hawaii doesn't use DST at all and they are still here. Not hard to find a W9 (from Indiana if you are chasing WAS), a VE5 or a KH6 . . . probably because we all use UTC.

73, Paul VE1DX (A Luddite, and proud of it :-))

12059. Re: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 15:45:56 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 12045 Message: 12059

It also negatively impacts us insomniacs.

The first thing suggested for insomniacs is to go to bed the same time each night.

Changing the clock by one hour really screws things up. Just when one gets adjusted to the new time, they change it again.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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12060. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12060

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 07 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 341 Issued at 2200Z on 07 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 06/2100Z
to 07/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk was void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 06/2100Z to 07/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (08-10 December).
III. Event Probabilities 08 Dec-10 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 07 Dec 071
Predicted 08 Dec-10 Dec 073/073/074
90 Day Mean 07 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 06 Dec 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 07 Dec 002/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 08 Dec-10 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 08 Dec-10 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12061. Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 22:57:15 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12061 Message: 12061

I am thinking about retiring my 20+ year old Keyer (HB job). What is the hot keyer these days ? Remember, the last time I was in the market for one the MFJ Grandmaster was the one !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

ps: Don't mention the Keyer in my FT-2000D. One of the upgrades killed it and it still don't work. But, the last Q was BS7H !!

12062. Re: [DX-IS] Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 23:12:55 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 12061 Message: 12062

Dick,
I've always been happy with my logikey 'K' series keyers from Idiom Press.
Especially the support they've given me over the last decade of use.
73, frank w0ecs

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12063. Re: Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 23:39:44 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 12061 Message: 12063

OM Paul K9OT and I both use the XT-4 keyer from Gary W9XT of Unified Microsystems:
http://www.unifiedmicro.com/keyer.html

We have a number of these keyers for all four stations in the shack, plus mobile. My DXing co-worker uses them also.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from beautiful Miquelon in July 2010 for the IARU Contest

12064. Re: [DX-IS] Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-07 23:50:26 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 12061 Message: 12064

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These are nice, but they're not for everybody, and they don't have
any memories --

<*http://tinyurl.com/yeu69rb>
<**http://tinyurl.com/bgde2w>

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Earl
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KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

12065. Re: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 04:00:47 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12045 Message: 12065

As a former Hoosier, the time chan ge had something to do with the cows.

Hoosier: DEF: Kentucky Hillbilly who did not have enough money to reach the welfare state of Michigan.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2009 10:24:14 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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12066. Re: Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 12:54:46 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12061 Message: 12066

I see someone else "endorsed" the same keyer I own. I have a LOGIKEY Model K5. It will do just about everything except slice bread. That said, I generally only use a couple of the available memories. The really specialized stuff one needs for different contests is provided by my contest logging program, N1MM.

The keyer seemed complicated initially, but the great majority of its functions I never seem to use!

Art - N4PJ

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12067. Re: Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 12:55:53 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12061 Message: 12067

My logikeyer K5 is my mobile keyer as well. Runs for what seems like forever on 3 AAA batteries.

Art - N4PJ

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12068. Re: UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 12:57:38 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12045 Message: 12068

Many years ago I read a comment by some wag who complained that the electric light has led to the demise of civilization. Prior to that, many people went to bed when it got dark and slept until the sun came up!

Art - N4PJ

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12069. Re: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 17:34:56 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12045 Message: 12069

Ahhhh, but if it weren't for the invention of the electric light we would be watching television by candle light, operating our radidios with batteries and logging by the S meter light (as did VP8QG)
Rene
p.s. Los Angeles many years ago tried DST all year and it was great except for mom's complaining about their kids walking to school in the dark so it went back to how it is now...

----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>

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Art - N4PJ/info/terms/

12070. Re: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 17:53:14 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12045 Message: 12070

I think I've seen QSL's where the op was using candles to provide light.
They may have been on an OJ0 operation and maybe on DJ6SI's Penguin Island
operation? I need to dig out those cards.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Dec 8, 2009 at 11:34 AM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

>
>
> Ahhhh, but if it weren't for the invention of the electric light we would
> be
> watching television by candle light, operating our radidios with batteries
> and logging by the S meter light (as did VP8QG)
> Rene
> p.s. Los Angeles many years ago tried DST all year and it was great except
> for mom's complaining about their kids walking to school in the dark so it
> went back to how it is now...
>
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@... <aburkefl%40comcast.net>>
>
> Many years ago I read a comment by some wag who complained that the
> electric
> light has led to the demise of civilization. Prior to that, many people
> went
> to bed when it got dark and slept until the sun came up!
>
> Art - N4PJ/info/terms/
>
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>

12071. [425ENG] 425 Dx Magazine

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 19:16:29 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 11244 Message: 12071

> > > 425 DX NEWS < < <

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Dear Friends,

the latest issue (November 2009) of the 425 ARI DX Magazine is now available for free download in .pdf format at www.425dxn.org/monthly the official web site of 425 Dx News.

It includes the weekly bulletins published in November, Qsl Managers and News from the Web.

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to iz3eba@...

Thank you for the attention, de

Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA

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12072. Re: [DX-IS] Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 21:55:51 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 12061 Message: 12072

WinKey USB. Robust. Simple. Solid.

http://www.k1el.com/

73,
--scott N9LJX

On Mon, Dec 7, 2009 at 5:57 PM, RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...> wrote:

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>
> I am thinking about retiring my 20+ year old Keyer (HB job). What is
> the hot keyer these days ? Remember, the last time I was in the
> market for one the MFJ Grandmaster was the one !!
>
> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
>
> ps: Don't mention the Keyer in my FT-2000D. One of the upgrades
> killed it and it still don't work. But, the last Q was BS7H !!
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>

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N9LJX
radio.n9ljx@...

12073. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-08 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12073

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 08 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 342 Issued at 2200Z on 08 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 07/2100Z
to 08/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares occurred during
the past 24 hours. The solar disk was void of sunspots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 07/2100Z to 08/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (09-11 December).
III. Event Probabilities 09 Dec-11 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 08 Dec 072
Predicted 09 Dec-11 Dec 073/074/075
90 Day Mean 08 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 07 Dec 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 08 Dec 000/001
Predicted Afr/Ap 09 Dec-11 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 09 Dec-11 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12074. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-09 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12074

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 09 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 343 Issued at 2200Z on 09 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 08/2100Z
to 09/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Today's activity
consisted of a single B2.3 x-ray event at 2017Z. The source of the
event was a new region rotating around the east limb. Preliminary
observations indicate the region is a B type sunspot group
consisting of two small spots.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 08/2100Z to 09/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (10-12 December).
III. Event Probabilities 10 Dec-12 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 09 Dec 073
Predicted 10 Dec-12 Dec 074/075/077
90 Day Mean 09 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 08 Dec 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 09 Dec 001/001
Predicted Afr/Ap 10 Dec-12 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 10 Dec-12 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12075. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC/WAS Fast Turnaround Time - 14 Hrs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-09 21:47:33 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 12023 Message: 12075

I was pleasantly surprised when my LoTW app got pretty fast turnaround as
well. First ever DXCC Application. All LoTW. 2 Awards - Mixed and CW. But
it looks like we still go into the normal queue for printing and delivery.
We both show on the queue listed at
http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/appstatus.html, along with friends of mine
who sent in 'hybrid' apps a long time ago.

--scott N9LJx

On Fri, Dec 4, 2009 at 12:25 AM, R Johnson <k1vu@tmlp.com> wrote:

>
>
> WOW !!!
> I didn't expect this kind of service.
>
> Last night at 02:02Z I applied for my DXCC Award .
> This morning at 16:08Z I was granted my DXCC 112/Phone and 315/Challenge.
>
> That's a 14 Hr turnaround time !!!
>
> I suspect the speed of this application was due to:
> 1) 100% LoTW Application
> 2) Pre Purchased LoTW Credits on file
> 3) Payment by Credit Card
>
> Now that I have my LoTW DXCC Award I can spend more time making more QSO's
> and
> sorting all my "Paper" to try and resolve another potential 35 countries so
> I can make a "Hybrid Application" next year (AARRGG) !!!
>
> As a side note the night before, I applied for my LoTW "WAS Phone" award.
> That application only took 09:20 Hr's to be fulfilled. Again, WOW !!!
>
> When I look at the costs of QSL'ing, LoTW wins "hands down" !!!
>
> 73
> Bob, K1VU
>
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>

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radio.n9ljx@...

12076. Re: Keyer Suggestion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 00:52:35 UTC
From: Lee ZL2AL
Topic: 12061 Message: 12076

K1EL WinKeyer is the answer. We have two of them at our ZM2M contest site. Great as "Stand alone" or even better controlled by DX4WIN, Writelog, N1MM and others. Clean precise keying with plenty of adjustable parameters. It will control 2 radios.

The kit takes about 3 - 4 hours and is easy to build or you can purchase completed. It's the best box of dits and dahs I have ever used.

73, Lee ZL2AL

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...> wrote:
>
>
> I am thinking about retiring my 20+ year old Keyer (HB job). What is
> the hot keyer these days ? Remember, the last time I was in the
> market for one the MFJ Grandmaster was the one !!
>
> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
>
> ps: Don't mention the Keyer in my FT-2000D. One of the upgrades
> killed it and it still don't work. But, the last Q was BS7H !!
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12077. CE0Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 02:39:08 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 2891 Message: 12077

Hi Guys,

I see Lars SM6CUK is now active from Juan Fernandez. Does anyone know if he can be QRV on 20m? Especially around 1000 - 1200z for VK.

I know he has been active on both 30/40m but there is just too much daylight between us (as it's summer down here).

If anyone can get a message to him it would be greatly appreciated. I have tried his email, but I am not sure if he has access to it.

73, GL, Lance - VK6DU

Love the DX cluster, no more complaints from me!!

12078. RE: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error - Daylight saving time

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 02:47:35 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 12045 Message: 12078

Ok on DST and computers.

We do not have DST here in Western Australia...it's a funny situation, the bunch of hicks we are... :-)

People have been trying to get it through parliament for years. We had a trial recently for a couple of years spent a fortune on getting all our computer clocks adjusted only to have it knocked on the head at a referendum!

So now all the computers have had to have the software removed again....

Boy o boy....but I tell you what though, at least we don't have to do those painful mental gymnastics each summer for SR and SS times...you know the ones, do I add an hour or subtract an hour... it was frustrating the mould out of my socks...
:-)

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, 7 December 2009 11:24 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error

At 08:57 AM 12/7/2009, aburkefl wrote, in part:

>Personally, I wish we could just set our clocks to DST and then
>leave 'em alone.
>
>Art - N4PJ

I agree. Doesn't have to be DST - pick either "winter time" or "summer time" and leave it the same all year long. Somewhere I recall this time change was introduced either during WW II to increase daylight hours, or for farmers to have more daylight to work their fields. It does neither -- there are only so many hours of sunlight per day no matter what "o'clock" you call it.

Since I was a kid this resetting of all the clocks twice a year was a nuisance. Indiana didn't use DST until 2006, and they seemed to have survived OK. Saskatchewan uses DST all year around and seem to get by too. Hawaii doesn't use DST at all and they are still here. Not hard to find a W9 (from Indiana if you are chasing WAS), a VE5 or a KH6 . . . probably because we all use UTC.

73, Paul VE1DX (A Luddite, and proud of it :-))

Yahoo! Groups Links

12079. RE: [DX-IS] Re: UTC time Calc error - Daylight saving time

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 02:59:34 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12045 Message: 12079

At 10:47 PM 12/9/2009, you wrote, in part:

>Boy o boy....but I tell you what though, at least we don't have to do
>those painful mental gymnastics each summer for SR and SS times...you
>know the ones, do I add an hour or subtract an hour... it was
>frustrating the mould out of my socks...
>:-)
>
>73, Lance - VK6DU

Hi Lance,

You guys are lucky, but if it ever gets implemented, just
remember the phrase "Spring ahead and fall back" to keep track of
which way to add the hour.

Although you fellows are in a different hemisphere, so maybe it
should be "Spring back and fall ahead" in Australia!"

73, Paul VE1DX

12080. VE1DX QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 03:24:28 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 12080 Message: 12080

Hey Paul

In case you ever wanted to know I just recieved your QSL from our April 6 RTTY contact from Eric my sorter when we got together for lunch today.

Lets see now thats 8 months to go 366 miles. God I'll never get those ones from BY...HI

Just bored due to the prop.....

Bob KB1JZU

12081. DS1REE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 16:40:10 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12081 Message: 12081

I sent a card direct to DS1REE several months ago and have not yet received a reply. Today I noticed in my latest LoTW download that he has confirmed by that method. So we know that he QSLs. The question for Frank is whether or not he can get a REAL QSL in hand.

Good luck, Frank!

73

Al, VE1AL

12082. Re: [DX-IS] DS1REE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 18:14:34 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 12081 Message: 12082

Yes Al,
Maybe he only catches up on paper at certain intervals (say every 10 years).
His email sounded hopeful though.
Funny, I just received a eQsl (from HB9RU) - never saw one of those before.
seeya
73 frank w0ecs

Alan Leith wrote:
>
> I sent a card direct to DS1REE several months ago and have not yet
> received
> a reply. Today I noticed in my latest LoTW download that he has confirmed
> by that method. So we know that he QSLs. The question for Frank is
> whether or not he can get a REAL QSL in hand.
>
> Good luck, Frank!
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>
>

12083. RE: [DX-IS] DS1REE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 18:23:44 UTC
From: Dick Williams
Topic: 12081 Message: 12083

I sent the following email to Park on 1 Dec and received the reply below my email from him.

-----Original Message-----
From: "Richard Williams"<k8ztt@...>
To: heli9090@...
Cc:
Sent: 09-12-01(화) 09:18:27
Subject: LOTW uploads

Park,

I was fortunate enough to have worked you a few weeks ago on 160 mtrs. I checked <http://qrz.com/> QRZ.com to confirm your QSL address and noticed you qsl via LOTW, so I have been holding off sending you a card.

When reading your QRZ.com information, I noticed at the bottom you mentioned that you upload your log to LOTW everyday (assume when you are active). When I didn't see a match after several days, I checked LOTW and noticed you had not uploaded any QSO's since Jul.

Additionally, I noticed you (or someone using your call sign) has been very active; and I am beginning to wonder if you have really been on the air and just have not had a chance to upload your QSO's; or fearing the worst, that someone has been using your call sign without your knowledge? Hopefully it has been just a case of being too busy!

If you have a chance, let me know, and I will not send a card and wait for LOTW.

Thanks, best of 73's and DX,

Dick K8ZTT

Parks reply is below:

Hello Dick,

sorry for the LoTW upload last july my logging PC was dead because of 'harddisk' mechanical problem so, I have to change new one until now...

I do not know how can I reinstoll progrem.... If you need Card send me direct I will answer as soon as possible~!!

No one used my call until now... don't worry abt. that

Park, DS1REE

I went ahead and sent him a QSL card the next day. In any case, Park must have repaired his computer because, like Alan, I was pleasantly surprised this morning when I found my contact had been confirmed via LOTW.

Dick K8ZTT

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alan Leith
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2009 9:40 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DS1REE

I sent a card direct to DS1REE several months ago and have not yet received a reply. Today I noticed in my latest LoTW download that he has confirmed by that method. So we know that he QSLs. The question for Frank is whether or not he can get a REAL QSL in hand.

Good luck, Frank!

73

Al, VE1AL

_____ Information from ESET NOD32 Antivirus, version of virus signature database 4676 (20091210) _____

The message was checked by ESET NOD32 Antivirus.

http://www.eset.com

12084. ARLD049 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 21:04:33 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7574 Message: 12084

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD049
ARLD049 DX news

ZCZC AE49
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 49 ARLD049
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 10, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD049
ARLD049 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by IZ0EGM, NC1L, VK4ABD, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TUNISIA, 3V. In celebration of its 10th anniversary members of the Tunisian scouts club station are QRV as 3V10A until December 31 . QSL via bureau.

CHINA, BY. Special event station BT3WX is QRV from Taiyuan until December 20 to celebrate the launch of amateur radio satellite XW-1. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, FM and PACSAT. QSL via BA1DU.

THE GAMBIA, C5. Eric, SM1TDE is QRV as C56SMT until January 3, 2010. Activity is in his spare time on 160 to 10 meters using only CW. QSL to home call.

JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND, CE0. Lars, SM6CUK is QRV as CE0Z/homecall until December 14. Activity is on all bands, except 160 meters, using only CW. QSL to home call.

ANGOLA, D2. Paulo, CT1ITZ is QRV as D2CQ from Porto Amboim until December 27. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using only SSB. QSL direct via CT1IUA.

GERMANY, DA. Special event station DR09ANT will be QRV on December 14 to 30 to commemorate the ''Worldwide Antarctic Program.'' Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via bureau.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. A group of operators are QRV as E51PMR, E51LEO, E51BWL, E51SNL, E51XIW and E51NAA from Rarotonga until December 13. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW and RTTY, with some SSB, with three stations active simultaneously. QSL via

operators' instructions.

HONDURAS, HR. Victor, N8OO and Andrei, NP3D are QRV as HR2/homecalls until December 20. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes an entry in the ARRL 10-Meter contest. This also includes a possible entry as HQ2S in the upcoming OK DX RTTY contest. QSL HR2/N8OO to home call and HR2/NP3D and HQ2S direct via W3HNK.

DJIBOUTI, J2. Olivier, J28KO has been QRV on 20 meters using RTTY around 1500z. QSL via F6DKI.

SAN MARINO, T7. Aurelio, IZ0EGM will be QRV as T70A during the ARRL 10-Meter contest. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the Turkish Special Wireless Activity team will be QRV as TC2IYK on December 12 and 13 during the International Naval Contest 2009. QSL via bureau.

CANADA, VE. John, KL7JR will be QRV as VY1RST from Destruction Bay from December 17 to 22. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using SSB. He may also try to activate Jacquot Island on Kluane Lake. QSL to home call.

WILLIS ISLAND, VK9W. Dave, VK4ABD will be QRV as VK9WBM while on work assignment at the Bureau of Meteorology in the Australian Coral Sea territories until July 2010. Activity will be on 40 meters and above during his spare time. QSL to home call.

HONG KONG, VR. Some members of the Hong Kong Amateur Radio Communications Association are QRV as VR2EAG until December 13 during the 5th East Asian Games 2009. QSL via operators' instructions.

ANTARCTICA. Bhagwati, VU3BPZ is QRV as AT10BP from the Indian Maitri Base and can be found active on 20 meters SSB around 0000 to 0130z. QSL via operator's instructions.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 10-Meter Contest, NCCC Sprint, Feld Hell Sprint, MDXA PSK DeathMatch, International Naval Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint and the CQC Great Colorado CW Snowshoe Run are all scheduled for this weekend. The North America High Speed Meteor Scatter Winter Rally runs from December 12 to 16. Please see December QST, page 66, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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12085. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-10 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12085

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 10 2200 UTC
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# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 344 Issued at 2200Z on 10 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 09/2100Z
to 10/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Today's activity consisted of
a C3 x-ray event at 1057Z and a B1 x-ray event at 1452Z. Both
events originated from newly numbered Region 1034 (N20E59), a small
Bxo Beta group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low. There is a chance for an isolated C-class event from
Region 1034 during the next three days (11-13 December).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 09/2100Z to 10/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (11-13 December).
III. Event Probabilities 11 Dec-13 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
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Observed 10 Dec 074
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V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 09 Dec 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 10 Dec 001/001
Predicted Afr/Ap 11 Dec-13 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 11 Dec-13 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12086. SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-11 03:13:48 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10624 Message: 12086

Hi Guys,

Anyone else need SV/A? I guess it will happen one day. For anyone else out there who is a DXer, please, please use the cluster, or at least have a look at it when you are going to call CQDX somewhere. 14195 is probably not such a good place for the non rare DXer out there to call CQ....but hey, no one owns that frequency and I guess if you can't hear a the rare DX station on the frequency that you are about to call CQDX on then hey...have a go...

Don't worry, I keep smiling and taking pills....

73, Lance - VK6DU

12087. Re: [DX-IS] SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-11 13:02:19 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 10624 Message: 12087

Last month's National Geographic had an article on SV/A. Apparently there are 19 or 20 possible monasteries that are possible QTH's for operation on the peninsula. They say there is no electricity but one photo clearly shows one well lit up inside and out. Obviously Monk Apollo is getting his electrons from somewhere.

Interesting reading.

73 de Brian/K3KO

Lance Martin wrote:
> Hi Guys,
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> Anyone else need SV/A? I guess it will happen one day. For anyone else
> out there who is a DXer, please, please use the cluster, or at least
> have a look at it when you are going to call CQDX somewhere. 14195 is
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> CQ....but hey, no one owns that frequency and I guess if you can't hear
> a the rare DX station on the frequency that you are about to call CQDX
> on then hey...have a go...
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>
> Don't worry, I keep smiling and taking pills....
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>
> 73, Lance - VK6DU
>
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12088. ARLP051 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-11 15:21:45 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7783 Message: 12088

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP051
ARLP051 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP51
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 51 ARLP051
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 11, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP051
ARLP051 Propagation de K7RA

Finally! A sunspot appeared on Wednesday, December 9, giving us a daily sunspot number of 13. This followed 16 days of no sunspots, and again on December 10 the sunspot number was 13. The new group is number 1034, and it is a solar Cycle 24 spot, as all sunspots have been since number 1016 on April 29-30, 2009.

This weekend is the annual ARRL 10-Meter Contest. Will there be enough sunspot activity to enhance 10-meter propagation? The latest prediction for solar flux shows it rising 75-77 on December 11-12, and staying at 77 through December 17, which probably correlates with the new sunspot moving toward the center of the solar disk.

To significantly raise the MUF to enhance 10 meter signals over most paths takes more sunspot activity than we are seeing this week, although every bit helps. But this contest often depends on sporadic-E skip and the effect of ionized meteor trails during the Geminids meteor shower, which should reach a peak just a few hours after the contest ends on Sunday. Geminids meteor showers have intensified with each passing year as Earth moves deeper into the debris stream from extinct comet 3200 Phaethon.

Back in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP005 earlier this year (see http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/2009-arlp005.html) we reproduced a letter written 34 years ago by Ed Tilton, W1HDQ, the originator of this bulletin. Ed talked about meteor enhanced 10 meter propagation during this contest.

We were watching the current sunspot move toward the horizon a few days ago, via the STEREO spacecraft (http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/) and wished the whole Sun were visible, which should happen in 2010. Currently STEREO sees about 86% of the Sun. It should reach 90% on June 29, 2010 between 0027-0040 UTC, and 95% coverage on October 12, 2010 between 1252-1259 UTC.

A view of real time MUF maps at
http://www.spacew.com/www/realtime.php shows that during daylight over low latitudes the MUF is going above 10 meters over the past couple of days.

A couple of 160 meter notes since the recent contest:

Randy Whiting, KC9KHG of Woodstock, Illinois says he upgraded to General class in March 2007, and at the time told locals he was putting up a 160 meter inverted V with a 60 foot apex. They told him he would work only two or three hundred miles.

The week before last he worked KC7YM in Wyoming, a distance of 1,079 miles between their stations. Then December 3 he worked G3JMJ, a distance of 3,971 miles. Both were on CW.

Markus Hansen, VE7CA of North Vancouver, British Columbia writes, "Wow, conditions were amazing during the recent ARRL 160 meter Contest. I was amazed how easy it was to work NH, RI, DE, MD VA, NC and GA from my QTH here on the west coast. I am only running 100 watts and a very weird shaped 160 meters loop strung around my city-sized lot. The KH6s were bending my S meter in the mornings at sunrise and JA3YBK was pounding in at well over S9 at 1434Z Sunday AM. Good fun!"

Hans Goldschmidt, SM5KI says he is 82 years old and has been a ham over six decades. He is in the center of Stockholm, and "really was shocked when I put up in a nearby low tree an end fed half-wave wire, the feedpoint only 1.5 meters above the ground. Right away I was in a 50 minute long QSO with a station in North Carolina. My signals S7-9! There seems to be a daily window around 1300Z to the Eastern US States on 14 MHz and I can work K8SL and others daily with S7-9."

"In the morning on 14 MHz we have the usual winter conditions and the band is completely dead right now until about 0700Z. Still the same, last week I worked daily SU9HP, a Swede on holidays down there, on 14 at 0730Z with Q5 signals every morning, when there was almost no other signal to be heard on the band."

"I say this because despite black-outs and the present sunspot minimum conditions, you may still find a useful path to some DX spot on the globe. Sometimes it is easier to find a rare DX on a dead band. There is also less QRM as the competing stations have given up even to try."

"Years ago I was shocked to hear on 14 MHz two stations, not too strong, on a completely dead band during a blackout, talking, what it seems to be locally. They were in YJ8 and we had an unexpected QSO. Similar QSOs occurred in the past and many were near the equator. Whatever THAT means?"

"Finally a suggestion: Do not give up using the DX-bands just because they seem to be dead. There may be short selective openings to some parts of the globe. Do not rely on those awful DX clusters but LISTEN, LISTEN!"

Thanks, Hans! Good advice.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin see, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for December 3 through 9 were 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, and 13 with a mean of 1.9. 10.7 cm flux was 71.6, 71.5, 71.7, 71.9, 71.1, 72.2, and 73 with a mean of 71.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 0, 0, 3, 2, 2, 1 and 0 with a mean of 1.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 0, 3, 1, 2, 0 and 0 with a mean of 0.86.
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12089. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #971

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3V - Commemorating the 10th anniversary of Scout amateur radio club 3V8ST, special station 3V10A will be active until 31 December from the headquarter of Tunisian Scouts in Tunis. QSL direct (see qrz.com) or bureau.
C5 - Eric, SM1TDE will be active holiday style as C56SMT from The Gambia from 10 December to 3 January. He will operate mainly CW (2 kHz from the band edges), with some RTTY and SSB. QSL via SM1TDE, bureau preferred. [TNX SM1TDE]
C5 - Niels, OZ8KR will be active again as C56KR from Bakuto, The Gambia on 5-24 March. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB. QSL via OZ8KR. [TNX OZ8KR]
CE0Z - Lars, SM6CUK is now active as CE0Z/SM6CUK from Robinson Crusoe Island, Juan Fernandez Archipelago (SA-005) until 14 December. He operates CW only on all bands (160 metres excluded). QSL via SM6CUK, direct or bureau. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]
CE0Z - Toshi, JA8BMK will be active as CE0Z/JA8BMK from Juan Fernandez from 19 January to 2 February. He plans to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
CX - Ghis, ON5NT will be active as CX5DNT (not CX5NT as previously announced) from Uruguay on 12-17 December. He plans to operate holiday style during the local evening and night hours, typically on 30 and 40 metres CW. QSL via ON5NT. [TNX ON5NT]
DU - Lee, HL1IWD will be active as DU1/HL1IWD from Manila, Philippines from 31 December to 3 January. QSL via bureau to home call. [TNX HL1IWD]
GI - Special event station GB1HF will be operated from Northern Ireland starting on 14 December to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first powered flight in Ireland by Harry Ferguson (31 December 1909). The station will be on air from the Harry Ferguson Memorial, Dromore will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via MI0SAI, direct, bureau and LoTW. [TNX www.southgatearc.org]
J6 - John, VE8EV will be active as J68/VE8EV from St. Lucia (NA-108) on

18-20 December. He will operate SSB and CW on all bands, mostly during the RAC Canada Winter Contest. All contacts are welcome during the contest, stations outside of Canada just sent RS(T) and a serial number. QSL to home call. [TNX VE8EV]
J6 - John, W5JON will be active again as J68JA from Marigot Bay, St. Lucia on 2-11 March. He plans to operate on 160-6 metres (including 60 metres) and to participate in the ARRL International DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX W5JON]
JD1_mt - Masa, JD1BMM is active from Minami Torishima until 16 December. He will return on 20 January 2010 and will remain until mid-February, for what it is likely to be "the last chance to make a QSO with JD1/M" for some time, The Daily DX reports. The Japanese Coast Guard radio station on the island closed down on 1 December, and the amateur radio club will close in February.
JD1_oga - Harry, JG7PSJ (JD1BMH) and Makoto, JI5RPT (JD1BLY) will be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 27 December to 1 January. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, with a focus on the low bands, and via satellite. QSL via home calls. Further information, including on-line logs and QSLling instructions, can be found at http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ (for JD1BLY) and http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/ (for JD1BMH). [TNX JI5RPT]
P4 - Marty, W2CG will be active as either P40C or P40CG from Aruba (SA-036) on 5-26 January. He plans to operate primarily CW and RTTY on 80-6 metres, usually between 12-14 UTC and 20-24 UTC, other times as schedule permits. QSL via W2CG, direct or bureau (but LoTW preferred). [TNX W2CG]
SP - Special event station HF150LZ will be active until 27 December to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Ludwik Zamenhof, the inventor of Esperanto. QSL via SP4YPB.
TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (www.tcswat.org) will be active as TC2IYK on 12-13 December from the Istanbul Sailing Club from the International Naval Contest 2009. QSL via the bureau or direct to TCSWAT, PK 73 Karakoy, 34421 Istanbul, Turkey. [TNX TA0U]
VK - The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia will be active as VI2BI from Broughton Island (OC-212) on 5-7 February. The team will include Tommy/VK2IR, Peter/VK2NN, Allan/VK2GR, Raffy/VK2RF, Paul/VK2HV and John/VK3JHA, and they plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL direct to VK2CL. They have a web page at www.vi2bi.blogspot.com [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
YI - YI9PSE will be active from Erbil, Iraq in late spring or early summer of 2010. Paul, N6PSE and others (for the time being JH4RHF, N6NU, N6OX, NI6T, VE7CT and W8HW) plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres with at least three stations for 7-9 days. QSL via N6NKT. Details can be found at http://www.yi9pse.com/ [http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
YV - Celebrating his Silver Jubilee in amateur radio, Pasquale, YV5KAJ will be active as YW5EID from La Tortuga (SA-044) on 26-29 December. This special callsign's suffix is in honour Pasquale's Elmer, Anacleto Marrai (IW5EID), who has been invited as guest

operator. Look for activity on 12, 15, 17, 20, 30 and 40 metres usign SSB and digital modes (RTTY, BPSK and Olivia). QSL via EA5KB. [TNX YV5KAJ]
ZL - The new dates for the IOTA activity from Stewart Island (OC-203) [425DXN 962] are 12-23 March. Ray, VK4DXA (ZL4TY) and Paul, ZL4PW (ZL4M) will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 160-10 metres. Information at http://www.zl4pw.orconhosting.net.nz/OC203/si_index.htm [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (November 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba @ iz3eba.it)

BAHRAIN & 6 METRES ---> The Daily DX reports that radioamateurs from Bahrain can now operate on 6 metres (50.0-50.5 MHz on a primary and exclusive basis, and 50.05-52 MHz on a secondary basis) and on additional frequencies on 136 KHz, 1.8 MHz, 7 MHz, 430 MHz and higher bands. They can not operate on these newly allocated frequencies until their licenses are amended.

INDIA & 30 METRES ---> The Wireless Planning & Communication Wing of the Ministry of Communications in India has written to the President of the Amateur Radio Society of India (VU2GMN) to inform that 10.100-10.150 MHz has been allocated to Amateur Services on a secondary basis in India. Earlier, temporary permissions were issued from time to time for 10 MHz. It has also been communicated that the 50-52 MHz (6m) band cannot be allocated now since it has already been allocated to other services. [TNX dx-hamspirit.com]

+ SILENT KEYS + The ARRL reports that William A. "Bill" Wilson (K6ARO), passed away on 5 December at 95 years of age. First appointed as presidential envoy to Rome in 1981, he was appointed the first full ambassador to the Holy See in 1984, serving until 1986. Other recently reported Silent Keys include Attilio Sacco (I1BAY), former President of ARI Sanremo.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2GM, 3D2KJ, 3D2MJ, 3D2OU, 3DA0JK, 4L8A, 4U1UN, 4W6AL, 5B4KH, 5H3EE, 8J1RL (AN-015), 8R1DB, A41MX, A52FJJ, AH0BT, AL7R, BD2RJ/2 (AS-151 and (AS-158), C31CT, CT8/DL7JAN (EU-175), CU3EJ, D2NX, E51QMA, E51TUG, E7/KX7M, ES1WN, ES3AX, ET3JA, FJ/WQ2N, FK/JA1NLX (OC-033), FM5LD, FO/SP9PT (OC-046), FP/G3ZAY, FP/KV1J, FR5ZL, FT5GA, H40MY, H44TO, HK1/AC8W, HK3JJH, HK3O, HV5PUL, JT1CO, JV1A, JY4NE, K9RR/4 (NA-138 and NA-142), KH0/JR4GPA, KH7C, KL7HBK, KV4FZ, LU5OM,

LX/PA6Z, LX1NO, LY2ZZ, MJ/OH2KI, N2OB (NA-111), OH1AA (EU-096), OX3XR,
PZ5M, R1ANB, R1ANC, R1AND, R1ANY, SV5/G0TSM, T2G, T30GM, T68G, TF3CW,
TG0AA, TG9NX, TI7DBS, TM0M (EU-065), TX5SPA (OC-152), TX5SPM (OC-027),
TY1MS, UA0FAI (AS-018), UA0ZC, UA2FFW, UN8GV, VE1/G3ZAY (NA-126), VK9LA,
VP2VVV, VP8DIZ, VY0O (NA-230), W3FO/KH2, WN1Y/NH2, WP4U, YW5F (SA-058),
Z21BB, ZB2EO, ZB2FK, ZF2UL, ZK2NX.

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12091. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 11 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 345 Issued at 2200Z on 11 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 10/2100Z
to 11/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed
during the forecast period. Region 1034 (N20E45) remains a small Bxo
Beta group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low. There is a chance for an isolated C-class event from
Region 1034 during the next three days (12-14 December).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 10/2100Z to 11/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (12-14 December).
III. Event Probabilities 12 Dec-14 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 11 Dec 072
Predicted 12 Dec-14 Dec 077/077/077
90 Day Mean 11 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 10 Dec 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 11 Dec 005/005
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 12 Dec-14 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12092. Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-12 22:00:49 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12092 Message: 12092

You can tell that the 10 meter contest has no propagation if I am sending out an email during it.

Let me preface this question by saying that I don't want to computer control the rig. I have tried that before with a TS-B2000 and didn't like it. I say this because I am sure that it would be the answer many would reply with.

Here is my situation. On Thanksgiving day I hurt my right shoulder (I am right handed) and as it was getting better I reinjured it last weekend in the 160 contest by excessive tuning of the VFO dial. The shack is set up on a computer center, and the rig is on the second shelf, right at eye level. This means I have to raise my arm to tune the VFO dial, and the excessive raising last weekend reirritated my shoulder. This past week I would just use my left hand to tune the VFO and push buttons instead, but that was getting awkward, especially with the 10 meter contest coming up.

Today I broke down and moved the rig to the desktop instead, so I don't have to raise my arm to turn the dial. I really don't like it here as it looks a little more cluttered now with the rig, laptop, keyer paddles, and rotor control. Plus is it closer to the line of fire when my 6 year old daughter is throwing things around the house. However, this will have to do for now.

Now here is my question: Have others found that having the rig slightly lower than you is easier on the arms or shoulders over the long run than having to raise your arm to tune the rig? I was hoping to eventually move it back to its original place, but if I run the risk of straining the shoulder more having it there, I might have to learn to live with it where it is.

What has your experience taught you about rig placement? Maybe there is a doctor or orthopeadist on the list who knows something about ergonomics and injury prevention. I am using a Yaesu FT857D so I guess I could eventually remote mount the faceplate at a lower level and put the body of the rig where it used to be.

Talk about a bummer way to start the 10 meter contest weekend.

73s John AA5JG

12093. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

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Predicted 13 Dec-15 Dec 075/075/075
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Observed Afr/Ap 11 Dec 000/000
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VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 13 Dec-15 Dec
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Active 05/05/05
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12094. Re: [DX-IS] Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-12 22:31:58 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12092 Message: 12094

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
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> the 160 contest by excessive tuning of the VFO dial.
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Sorry - know what that is all about (no cartiledge left in my shoulders) but
it seems that it was your own fault - you were TUNING instead of watching
the cluster;-)

73 de Rene

12095. Re: [DX-IS] Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-12 23:13:18 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 12092 Message: 12095

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12096. Re: [DX-IS] Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-12 23:27:59 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12092 Message: 12096

Thanks Frank,

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73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/12/09, Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...> wrote:

> From: Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ergonomics and rig placement
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Saturday, December 12, 2009, 5:13 PM
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12097. Re: [DX-IS] Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-12 23:39:57 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 12092 Message: 12097

42 ??? Man, that's 30 yrs upstream for me - you can still do the monkey bars with her - just don't try to compete with her.
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12098. Re: [DX-IS] Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 00:08:56 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12092 Message: 12098

I only made it 1 bar until the shoulder gave out.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/12/09, Frank T Brady <franktbrady@...> wrote:

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12099. Re: [DX-IS] Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 05:35:42 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 12092 Message: 12099

What works for ME is to have the rig on the desktop at the LEFT and use my left hand to tune and hit buttons. The key is on the right next to the mouse and key. In contests I am mostly S&Ping so lots of tuning, cant imagine having the rig up a level. Especially with a bad shoulder (rotator cuff issues here). I even have the right arm of the chair raised slightly higher so I can rest it w/o too much movement.

73,
--scott N9LJX

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12100. Re: Ergonomics and rig placement

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 12:37:25 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12092 Message: 12100

Both our rigs sit just barely above the desk level. I'm right-handed, so the paddles/keyer are on the right and the rig is on the left. The main monitor is straight ahead. My optometrist said the main monitor should be "dead ahead" and you shouldn't have to turn your head to look at it - ever.

My wife's rig on the other side is to her right, but, in both cases, our arms do not have to come off the desktop to tune the rig.

You can see a pic of our operating positions at QRZ.COM.

Good luck with your shoulder. I've torn up my rotator cuff twice - neither time was much fun.

Art - N4PJ

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12101. Slightly OT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 15:43:41 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 12101 Message: 12101

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12102. Re: [DX-IS] Slightly OT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 15:48:07 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 12101 Message: 12102

Just another idea is to call the publisher and ask for a complimentary copy to be sent to you. Most magazines are happy to do this on a one-time basis.

73 de Bob - KØRC in MN

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12103. Re: [DX-IS] Slightly OT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 16:40:34 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 12101 Message: 12103

The web site offers a free issue download, alas it's the May 2009 issue. :-(

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12104. RE: [DX-IS] Rig placement and ergonomics

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 17:02:44 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 12104 Message: 12104

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 17:07:22 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12104 Message: 12105

I am soooooo,.....

sorry, for BOTH of US ! (YL)

Joey
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12106. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #938

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 20:52:20 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 12106 Message: 12106

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-December, through Sunday, 13th-December there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. By the time you read this, Jim, WB2TJO, should be active from here. Jim has been on the islands since December 8th, waiting for a license. He will be there until January 6th, and plans to visit three of the islands (Viti Levu, Vanua Levu and Taveuni -- all in IOTA OC-016). Using his Icom 706 MkIIG and wire antennas, look for him on 40 and 20 meters. Jim will be on holiday, so operations will be limited and casual. Look for updates, possibly on QRZ.com.

5T, MAURITANIA. There have been reports that YL Yoshiko, JQ1LCW, is now active as 5T5YL. QSNs on Sunday show activity on 17 meters SSB working mainly Europe and East Coast NA stations. QSL via JQ1LCW.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. By the time you read this Don, N1DG, is expected to arrive in U.A.E for a week because of his job starting December 14th. However, his activity will be limited due to his work; he is expected to operate from the A61AD station, possibly on 12 and 17 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The A61AD station does have a 4 element SteppIR for 20-6 meters, so Don's activity will be limited to those bands. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW upon conclusion of his trip.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Gerry, VE6LB, informs OPDX that he will be active as A6/VE6LB from Dubai between January 8th and February 8th. Activity will be holiday style with low power using wire antennas and mainly on 40-15 meters CW. QSL direct via his home callsign or LoTW.

A9, BAHRAIN (News). Reports indicate that "The Daily DX" is reporting that radio amateurs in Bahrain can now operate on 6 meters (50.0-50.5 MHz on a primary and exclusive basis, and 50.05-52.00 MHz on a secondary basis) and also on additional frequencies on 136 kHz, 1.8 MHz, 7 MHz, 430 MHz and higher bands. However, they cannot operate on these newly allocated frequencies until their licenses are amended.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Eric, SM1TDE, will be active as C56SMT until January 3rd, 2010. Activity will be holiday style. Eric states, "Look for me on CW, 2 kHz from the band edges, as well as some RTTY and SSB." He was spotted on 40/30/20 meters CW this past weekend. QSL via his home callsign (the Bureau is preferred).

C5, THE GAMBIA. Neils, OZ8KR, will be active as C56KR from Bakuto between March 5□24th, 2010. This is his third trip to Bakuto. Activity will be holiday style with operations on 80□10 meters SSB, using 100 watts into wire antennas close to the Atlantic Ocean. QSL via OZ8KR.

CO8, CUBA (80 meters). Eduardo, CO8LY, has announced that he has installed a 2 element wire for 80 meters, and it is directed at Europe and NA to try to work the biggest quantity of countries. If stations need to work Cuba on 80 meters, they can send an E-mail to Eduardo and make a Sked for 80 meters at: co8ly@...
Eduardo is also building a 160 meter long wire but hasn't had the time to finish it. He has been taking care of his wife who has ovarian cancer.

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR SURVEY. The "DX World of Ham Radio" Web page is conducting a online survey to see which expedition warrants the title "DXpedition of the Year 2009". Special engraved trophies will be shipped to the top three DXpeditions of 2009. To participate in the survey, go to: http://dx-hamspirit.com

HEADING TO THE ANTARCTICA. Operators Andrej/UT6UE and Yurij/UT6UF are on board the "S/Y Kupava" on an Antarctic voyage to the Ukranian Antarctic Research Centre's base -- Vernadsky Base. Onboard equipment includes a VX1700, RTX Yaesu HF, Tuner FC-40, and a folded dipole for 80, 40 and 20

meters. They hope to be active on 3645-3720, 7090-7130-7185, 14140-14260-14345, between 2200-0100z. They have already been reported on the Packet-Clusters signing UT6UE/MM. For more info and pictures, visit the following Web page at: http://uarl.com.ua/news/antarctida
Also, visit the WAP Web site for more details at: http://www.waponline.it

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-086. (Rare IOTA) Vasily, RA9LI, is now active as RA9LI/0 from Troynoy Island in the Kara Sea for one year. Reports indicate that he has been there since mid-November. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly SSB. He was heard earlier in the week on 14260 kHz between 0730-1030z. QSL via UA9LP.

NA-058. Members of the Camden County Amateur Radio (KB4CC) plan to activate Cumberland Island (USI GA002S, Camden County, Georgia) between January 23-24th. They plan to have two stations running on battery power on the following suggested frequencies and modes: SSB - 14260 kHz
CW - 14040 kHz, 7055 kHz and 7030 kHz
QSL via KB4CC: CCARS - USI#GA-002S, PO Box 2203, Kingsland, GA 31548. For more information, visit: http://www.ccars.org

NA-066. Members of the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio (K6PV) will be active from Santa Catalina Island (USI CA016S, WLOTA LH-2912, Los Angeles County, California) between February 25-28th. Activity will be on the ususal IOTA frequencies, mostly 20 meters SSB, using CW, RTTY and/or PSK31. Operators mentioned are: Ray/N6HE, Dan/W6DC, Mel/K6SY, Doris/K6KSY, Jeff/K6JW, Homer/K6HKT, Ginger/KG6TAU, Bob/AB6SY, Joe/K5KT and Marian/K5KKT. QSL direct to K6PV (Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club) or by the Bureau. They will have a special K6PV IOTA card for this activation. Visit the PVARC's Web page at: http://www.palosverdes.com/pvarc

OC-212. Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) will be active as VI2BI from Broughton Island for three days in February 2010. Activity will take place on multiple bands (160-6 meters) simulataneously to give everyone the chance to contact them. The VI2BI team will consist of some of the operators who took part in the VK9NI DXpedition back in July this year. Operators mentioned are: Tommy/VK2IR, Peter/VK2NN, Allan/VK2GR, Raffy/VK2RF, Paul/VK2HV and John/VK3JHA. Suggested frequencies are:

BAND	CW	SSB	RTTY
160m	1825	1840	
80m	3525	3793	3630
40m	7020	7085	7035
30m	10105	10145	
20m	14025	14195	14090
17m	18075	18160	18105
15m	21025	21295	21090

12m 24895 24950 24925
10m 28025 28490 28090
6m 50105 50130
Special Notes:
* 80m Listening for VK Foundation Class Licence on 3.695 MHz.
* 20m They may use 14.260 MHz.(US General Class Licence)
For update and an online log search, visit the blog at:
http://www.vi2bi.blogspot.com

OC-203. (Update/RARE IOTA). Look for Ray/ZL4TY (home callsign VK4DXA) and Paul/ZL4M (home callsign ZL4PW) to be activating Stewart Island between March 12-23rd, 2010. They plan to have 2 stations using verticals for 160-30 meters and a Spiderbeam for 20-10 meters. They intend running barefoot unless they can obtain a solid-state amplifier. The following suggested frequencies (+/- 10 kHz, QRM, QRN & propagation permitting) have been announced:
Band CW SSB RTTY
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160m 1820 1845
80m 3525 3785 3580
40m 7025 7165 7038
30m 10115 10145
20m 14025 14260 14085
17m 18080 18145 18105
15m 21025 21295 21085
12m 24895 24945 24920
10m 28025 28475 28085 kHz

QSL Info: They need a minimum of 2 USDs or 1 x IRC (please, 2010 issue) for a direct reply. Any donation sent with your QSL request will be greatly appreciated. Cards with insufficient funds or invalid IRCs will be sent via the bureau. All logs will be uploaded to LoTW following the DXpedition.

QSL ZL4TY via VK4DXA; by the VK Bureau or direct to: Ray Crawford, 53 Moore Street, Kingaroy, QLD 4610, Australia

QSL ZL4M via ZL4PW; by the ZL Bureau or direct to: Paul Ormandy, 13 Swift St., Oamaru 9400, New Zealand

For more details and updates, visit their Web page at:
http://www.zl4pw.orconhosting.net.nz/OC203/si_index.htm

J6, ST. LUCIA (NA-108). John, VE8EV, is expected to be active as J68/VE8EV from Castries between December 18-20th. Activity will be SSB and CW on all bands, mostly during the RAC Canada Winter Contest (December 19th, between 0000-2359z) which this year is being held the weekend before Christmas. All contacts are welcome during the contest, stations outside of Canada just send RS(T) and a serial number. Check out John's blog, for info and QSL details, at: http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/2009/10/na-108-st-lucia.html

J6, ST. LUCIA. John, W5JON, will once again be operating from the hilltop QTH overlooking the Caribbean Sea and Marigot Bay in St. Lucia, between March 2-11th. His callsign will be J68JA. Reference numbers are: IOTA NA-108 and Grid Square FK93. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (including 60m) on SSB. He will use an ICOM IC-7000, KL-400 Amp (350 watts) into the following antennas: ZS6BKW design multiband dipole, and a 3 element yagi on 6m. Activity will also include the ARRL International DX Phone Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W5JON. John adds, "As in the past, XYL Cathy/W5HAM will be very busy pool side."

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For December 14-20th)....
Dec 14 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Dec 15 AN ---------------
Dec 16 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Dec 17 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Dec 18 AN LN - Low Normal
Dec 19 AN
Dec 20 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

SPECIAL NOTE FROM LEE, KH6BZF: Forecast for the next several weeks is for "Above Normal" (AN) conditions on the low bands and some short skip on the high bands with solar flux levels in the 70's and the "A" low as well as "K" indexes. Have a very special upcoming "Happy Holidays To All.....Aloha and Mele Kalikemaka & Haole Makahiki Hou......"

PD09, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event station PD09XMAS to be active until January 3rd, 2010. Activity is to celebrate "Christmas 2009". Activity has been on 20 meters SSB this past weekend on 14194 kHz. QSL via PD5X, direct or by the Bureau.

PJ5, ST. MAARTEN/ST. EUSTATIUS. Jim, K1NA, will once again be active as PJ5NA. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via K1NA (100% QSL direct only with SASE) No bureau cards will be answered. DX stations MUST have SASE or SAE with 1 USD. No IRC! USA stations SASE only.

RTTY WELCOME DAY (January 1st - All Day Long!). Phil, N8PS, wants to remind everyone: "Now is your chance to meet and greet other RTTY operators from all over the world.
-- No hours, No rules, No score, No pressure, No quota, No log needed. --
- Any band*, Any contact, Any time, Any power, Any equipment, Any antenna.-
(*) = Authorized amateur radio sub-bands, of course.
Get that antique set-up running or fire-up that brand new rig. Use any modem or computer or combination thereof. Meet and greet others without time limits. Have a short exchange or a rag-chew - whatever suits you. Participation is voluntary. No log necessary. No awards - just satisfaction. Help others find joy in RTTY by operating for the

first time, or the thousandth time.
Get your set-up running smoothly and help others to reverse inversion.
Just get on the air to say 'howdy' -or- 'hello' -or-'WELCOME TO RTTY'
PLEASE HELP SPREAD THE NEWS. TELL YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.
'I'LL SEE YOU ON THE AIR FOR:'
RTTY WELCOME DAY - 01 JANUARY 2009 - ALL DAY LONG
73 - de Phil - N8PS, RTTY Welcome Day Cheerleader"

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
P29CS QSL ROUTE (Important). Peter, VY0PW, informs OPDX that Andy, P29CS, on Lihir Island (OC-069), is requesting stations "NOT" to QSL to his present QRZ.com address. This is his location only and not intended for mail purposes. Andy states that he is looking at present for a QSL Manager, but this might take a while as he is very busy with work.

QSL SURVEY. Don, W5FKX, is conducting an informal survey of QSLing methods and would very much appreciate your input. Please respond directly to him at: w5fkx@cox.net
1. Do you use the Logbook of the World (LOTW)?
If not, what has kept you from using it?

2. Do you use the eQSL service?
If not, what has kept you from using it?

3. Do you use the QSL Bureau system?
If not, what has kept you from using it?

4. Do you send out direct QSLs?
If not, what has kept you from doing so?

5. What is the approximate percentages of your QSLs received via:
LOTW
eQSL
Bureau
Direct

Don states, "Thanks very much for your participation. Any additional comments are welcome."

TC2IYK via TA Bureau or to: TCSWAT, PK73 Karakoy, 34421 Istanbul, TURKEY. Activity was by the Turkish group called TCSWAT (TC Special Wireless Activity Team) during this past weekend from Istanbul Yelken Kulubu (Istanbul Sailing Club -- <http://www.istanbulyelken.org.tr>) for the International Naval Contest. Please check <http://www.tcswat.org> for more details about the QSL info.

HAVE PATIENCE! Nenad, VE3EXY, reports that he received a message from Vlad, UA4WHX, stating that effective this week all outstanding direct requests for VE stations have been answered!

XV4TUJ via OK1DOT; "DIRECT ONLY", per Petr, OK1DOT.

QSLS VIA LoTW: 3D20CR, 4U1UN, 5N9OCH, A25/DL7DF, DL7FER, HI3TEJ, K4M, KD6WW/VY0, RX0AE, SU1KM, TI5/K2PLF, TX3A, TX9, VE3XB, VE7DLM and ZW5B

**SPECIAL NOTE: LoTW has reached new milestones. Since its inception on September 15, 2003, more than 30,000 hams have signed on to "Logbook of The World (LoTW). The ARRL's online logging program has had an increase of more than 7000 hams since 2008. These 30,000 hams have made upwards of 250 million QSOs with more than 58 million QSOs in 2009 alone. In 2009, there was an increase of more than 24 percent for both the number of registered users and the number of QSOs over 2008. For more details, go to the ARRL Web page at: http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/12/03/11229

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2KJ, 3D2MJ, 3X5A, 5F1ROM, 5H3EE, 5K0T, 8R1PY, A52FJJ, ER8C, FM5LD, HL3ERJ, HV0A, J79ZG, K5D, KV4FZ, LX/PA6Z, OX3R, PZ5M, S04R, ST2R, T27OU, TM0M, TX5SPA, TX5SPM, TY1MS, VK9DWX, VP2VVV, VP9KF, VQ9LA, VQ9RD, VR2009EAG, W3FO/KH2, WN1Y/NH2, XE2WWW and YW5F

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: V51AS

ST26, SUDAN (Special Event). Members of the Khartoum Sea Scouts Radio Club (ST2KSS) will be active as ST26ASC until January 28th, 2010. Activity is to celebrate the 26th Arab Scouts Conference (under Peace and Unity). Activity this past weekend was on 20 meters SSB. QSL via ST2M.

VP2V/W4DXX OPERATION WRAP-UP. Eric, W4DXX, informs OPDX readers of his recent ham-cation at the end of November on Tortola as VP2V/W4DXX which concluded w/1240 QSOs in 109 countries and 50 states with about 9 hours of operating time. Equipment and assistance was supplied by WB4MRF, N3DXX, KN5H, and VP2VQ. Bill Moore has accepted the operation for DXCC as of 12/9/09. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW shortly, and QSL cards are currently in design. QSL to W4DXX w/SASE or via LoTW.

VU, INDIA (News). OPDX was informed by Prasad, VU2PTT, that Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN, who is the President of ARSI - the IARU recognized national organization of India, is reporting that the "Wireless Planning & Coordination Wing (WPC), India's Ministry of Communications and Information Technology Department of Telecommunications has written to him to inform that 10100-10150 kHz has been allocated to Amateur Radio Services on a secondary basis in India. This means that VU2 hams are free to use this on a non-interference basis with existing users of these frequencies. Earlier, temporary permission was issued from time to time for this WARC band. It has also been communicated to Gopal that the 50-52 MHz (6m) band cannot be allocated now since it has already been allocated to other services. ADDED NOTE: Steve, VU3USJ, mentions, "Gopal, VU2GMN, who has been in contact with the relevant authorities in Delhi, says he is trying to clarify if SSB will be included with the permanent allocation. I believe Australia is the only other country allowing SSB on 10 MHz for hams."

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following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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12107. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-13 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12107

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 13 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 347 Issued at 2200Z on 13 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 12/2100Z
to 13/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1034 (N19E16)
remains a small Bxo bi-polar group.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be at
predominately very low levels. There is a chance for an isolated
C-class event from Region 1034 during the next three days (14 - 16
December).
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 12/2100Z to 13/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (14 - 16 December).
III. Event Probabilities 14 Dec-16 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 13 Dec 076
Predicted 14 Dec-16 Dec 077/077/077
90 Day Mean 13 Dec 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 12 Dec 002/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 13 Dec 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 14 Dec-16 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 14 Dec-16 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12108. RE: [DX-IS] SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-14 01:19:57 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 10624 Message: 12108

Thanks Brian,

Well he seems to be getting out very well into EU as there have been lots of spots on the cluster.
I wish he'd send a few electrons this way! Or should I say radio waves...

73, Lance - VK6DU

Lance Martin
CITS-CBS

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Brian Alsop
Sent: Friday, 11 December 2009 9:02 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Yahoo! Groups Links

12109. Re: [DX-IS] SV/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-14 02:28:05 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10624 Message: 12109

----- Original Message -----
From: "Lance Martin" <lance.martin@...n.edu.au>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 13, 2009 8:19:57 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
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Yahoo! Groups Links

Brian;

Do you have a link for that article?

Dale K8TS

12110. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-14 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12110

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 14 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 348 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. Today's activity
consisted of a few low-level B class events. New Region 1035
(N31E07) emerged on the disk today and is a simple bi-polar group.
Region 1034 (N20E03) was quiet and appears to be decaying slowly.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. There is a slight chance for an isolated C class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet to unsettled.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (15 - 17 December).
III. Event Probabilities 15 Dec-17 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 Dec 079
Predicted 15 Dec-17 Dec 080/082/084
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12111. Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-14 22:12:49 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12111 Message: 12111

Today I was trying to get caught up on some QSL chores, and in that process I ran across the following on the V31WV listing on QRZ.com:

"Will be qrv in ssb and cw from november 21 till december 20.Qth Sarteneja,northern Belize.Equipment FT1000mp MarkV plus lineair 750 watts.Antenna 30 feet vertical,close to the beach.Qsl direct,rp 2 US$ plus SAE,NO IRC,S.Extra donations are welcome.Hpe cuagn,73 wil....."

Recently there have been several discussions about $ collectors. HMMMMMM.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12112. Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-14 23:00:33 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 12111 Message: 12112

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of the Yankee Dollar. Your are all filthy rich aren't you? That's
what the dx thinks.

In contrast, you may prefer to work me. This is a cut and paste from
my qrz.com listing.

"If you work me and you need my card quickly, you may send your card
direct. Please DON'T send money or IRC. Just an addressed return
envelope will be fine. If you send money or IRC, I will send it back
to you. I was happy to work you so I am happy to pay my own postage
when I send you my qsl card."

73 and good luck,
Alek
VK6APK/VK6PY

At 06:12 AM 15/12/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:

>Today I was trying to get caught up on some QSL chores, and in that
>process I ran across the following on the V31WV listing on QRZ.com:
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>"Will be qrv in ssb and cw from november 21 till december 20.Qth
>Sarteneja,northern Belize.Equipment FT1000mp MarkV plus lineair 750
>watts.Antenna 30 feet vertical,close to the beach.Qsl direct,rp 2
>US$ plus SAE,NO IRC,S.Extra donations are welcome.Hpe cuagn,73 wil....."
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>Recently there have been several discussions about $ collectors. HMMMMMM.
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>73,
>Mike, W5UC
>*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
> You are about to receive your bounty.*
><http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/>http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
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http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

12113. Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-14 23:47:18 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12111 Message: 12113

Alek,

Bear in mind that " Some " of us. are crippled, single & have children to raise. I would LOVE to be able to do that also.

Merry Christmas, Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: Alek Petkovic
To: DX-IS@...m ; DX-IS
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 5:00 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

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"Will be qrv in ssb and cw from november 21 till december 20.Qth Sarteneja,northern Belize.Equipment FT1000mp MarkV plus lineair 750 watts.Antenna 30 feet vertical,close to the beach.Qsl direct,rp 2 US$ plus SAE,NO IRC,S.Extra donations are welcome.Hpe cuagn,73 wil........."

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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

12114. Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-15 00:04:06 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12111 Message: 12114

At 02:12 PM 12/14/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
>"Will be qrv in ssb and cw from november 21 till december 20.Qth
>Sarteneja,northern Belize.Equipment FT1000mp MarkV plus lineair 750
>watts.Antenna 30 feet vertical,close to the beach.Qsl direct,rp 2
>US$ plus SAE,NO IRC,S.Extra donations are welcome.Hpe cuagn,73 wil....."
>
>Recently there have been several discussions about $ collectors. HMMMMMM.

There is more than one country where postage to NA costs
significantly more than $1.00. It makes little difference to me
whether I spend $1.85 on an IRC or send the guy $2.00. I'm not going
to beat somebody up for 15 cents.

Dick

PS: My Momma didn't raise no fool. I'll accept donations, too. :)
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12115. Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-15 00:30:37 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12111 Message: 12115

At 04:04 PM 12/14/2009, I wrote:
>It makes little difference to me whether I spend $1.85 on an IRC or
>send the guy $2.00. I'm not going to beat somebody up for 15 cents.

I just remembered that US IRCs are $2.10 now, not $1.85. The guy
would be doing me a favor by only asking for $2.00. :)

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12116. Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-15 01:44:25 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12111 Message: 12116

Dick Flanagan wrote:
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> At 04:04 PM 12/14/2009, I wrote:
> >It makes little difference to me whether I spend $1.85 on an IRC or
> >send the guy $2.00. I'm not going to beat somebody up for 15 cents.
>
> I just remembered that US IRCs are $2.10 now, not $1.85. The guy
> would be doing me a favor by only asking for $2.00. :)
>
> Dick
>
Dick, the interesting part of that is that he says DO NOT send IRC's,
which says to me that he figures that her can come out ahead with GS.
Sorry, there are a lot of V31 ops around, and this guy is SOL from me.
I will not run the risk that he is bloating his wallet just by being on
the air.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12117. Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-15 03:24:13 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12111 Message: 12117

From Belise any thing is near the beach. Probably taking own equipment and using V31JP station. Scrooge here.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 8:44:25 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

Dick Flanagan wrote:
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> At 04:04 PM 12/14/2009, I wrote:
> >It makes little difference to me whether I spend $1.85 on an IRC or
> >send the guy $2.00. I'm not going to beat somebody up for 15 cents.
>
> I just remembered that US IRCs are $2.10 now, not $1.85. The guy
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12118. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-15 13:00:01 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 9721 Message: 12118

SFI 84 !!!!!!!

Paul, you are surely working wonders. I was hoping for 85 by July and here it is in mid December pushing 84 ... you be the man :-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 5:11 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 14 2200 UTC
Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 348 Issued at 2200Z on 14 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 13/2100Z
to 14/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. Today's activity
consisted of a few low-level B class events. New Region 1035
(N31E07) emerged on the disk today and is a simple bi-polar group.
Region 1034 (N20E03) was quiet and appears to be decaying slowly.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low. There is a slight chance for an isolated C class event.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 13/2100Z to 14/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet to unsettled.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (15 - 17 December).
III. Event Probabilities 15 Dec-17 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 14 Dec 079
Predicted 15 Dec-17 Dec 080/082/084
90 Day Mean 14 Dec 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 13 Dec 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 14 Dec 004/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 15 Dec-17 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 15 Dec-17 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01

Major-severe storm 01/01/01

12119. FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-15 18:37:36 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 10757 Message: 12119

FT5GA in the mail today. That was fast.

Win, W0LZ

12120. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-15 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12120

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 15 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 349 Issued at 2200Z on 15 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 14/2100Z
to 15/2100Z: Solar activity has been very low. Numerous low-level
B-class events occurred, the largest being a B4 at 2339Z from Region
1035 (N30W05). Region 1035 has grown steadily during the past 24
hours and is currently a 20 spot Dai Beta group with an area of
approximately 150 millionths.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low. There is a chance for an isolated C-class event from
Region 1035.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 14/2100Z to 15/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (16-18 December).
III. Event Probabilities 16 Dec-18 Dec
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 15 Dec 082
Predicted 16 Dec-18 Dec 082/082/082
90 Day Mean 15 Dec 072
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 14 Dec 004/004
Estimated Afr/Ap 15 Dec 000/000
Predicted Afr/Ap 16 Dec-18 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 16 Dec-18 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12121. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-16 04:00:56 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10757 Message: 12121

VK9LA would be a nice xmas gift. I gave xtra for the qsl, but guess that didn't count for donation.

73's

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Win" <winlyn@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2009 1:37:36 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] FT5GA

FT5GA in the mail today. That was fast.

Win, W0LZ

12122. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-16 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12122

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 16 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 350 Issued at 2200Z on 16 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 15/2100Z
to 16/2100Z: Solar activity has been low. Today's activity
consisted of two C-class events both from Region 1035 (N30W18), the
first a C5/Sf at 0124Z and the second a C3 at 1302Z. A slow-moving,
partial-halo CME was associated with the C5 event. Region 1035 has
not shown significant growth during the past 24 hours. However,
there does appear to be a small delta magnetic configuration in the
central portion of the region.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low.
There is a slight chance for an isolated M-class event from Region
1035.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 15/2100Z to 16/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet during the next three days (17-19 December).
(The partial halo CME discussed in Part 1A, above, is expected to
arrive on day 4 and increase geomagnetic activity to unsettled to
active levels).
III. Event Probabilities 17 Dec-19 Dec
Class M 10/10/10
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 16 Dec 083
Predicted 17 Dec-19 Dec 082/082/082
90 Day Mean 16 Dec 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 15 Dec 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 16 Dec 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 17 Dec-19 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 17 Dec-19 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/15
Minor storm 01/01/05
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12123. RE: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 04:12:42 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 12111 Message: 12123

Yes, I am looking forward to you V3 trip Alek!

When are you off?

Lance Martin

CITS-CBS

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Alek Petkovic
Sent: Tuesday, 15 December 2009 7:01 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; DX-IS
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Interesting Listing

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In contrast, you may prefer to work me. This is a cut and paste from my qrz.com listing.

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Alek
VK6APK/VK6PY

At 06:12 AM 15/12/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:

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73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6apk
http://www.qrz.com/db/vk6py

12124. FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 19:38:13 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 10757 Message: 12124

Got my card today.....confered all 3 qso, as the pirate station :(

Dale K8TS

12125. OC1I Operation: January 2008

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 18:40:49 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12125 Message: 12125

Has anyone received cards for this operation yet ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

12126. Re: [DX-IS] FT5GA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 20:24:37 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 10757 Message: 12126

What a drag! The on-line log doesn't show any QSO's with you, either. I guess it's good to send in a card, though, just in case they busted your call a couple times.

The 5K0T operation from Serrana Bank busted my call twice. :-(They got it right while they were on Baja Nuevo.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Thu, Dec 17, 2009 at 1:38 PM, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

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> Got my card today.....confered all 3 qso, as the pirate station :(
>
> Dale K8TS
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12127. Re: [DX-IS] OC1I Operation: January 2008

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 21:24:35 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 12125 Message: 12127

YES, I RECEIVED MY CARDS A LONG TIME AGO, SEE FOR http://www.qslnet.de/member/oc1i/english/e_qsl.htm FOR INSTRUCTIONS. I SENT 2 IRC FOR 3 QSOS. 73 BUZZ N5UR

On Dec 17, 2009, at 6:40 PM, RICHARD SOLOMON wrote:

Has anyone received cards for this operation yet ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

12128. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 22:11:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12128

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 17 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 351 Issued at 2200Z on 17 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 16/2100Z
to 17/2100Z: Solar activity has been low. One C-class event occurred
from Region 1035 (N30W32), a C1/Sf at 16/2149Z. There were numerous
B-class events throughout the period. Region 1035 has grown in area
to approximately 210 millionths. However, the region has lost its
delta magnetic configuration and is now a beta.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low.
There is a slight chance for an isolated M-class event from Region
1035.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 16/2100Z to 17/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet during days 1-2 (18-19 December). An increase
to unsettled to active levels is expected on day three (20
December). The increase is forecast due to the expected arrival of
the CME observed on 16 December.
III. Event Probabilities 18 Dec-20 Dec
Class M 10/10/10
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 17 Dec 087
Predicted 18 Dec-20 Dec 088/088/088
90 Day Mean 17 Dec 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 16 Dec 002/003
Estimated Afr/Ap 17 Dec 002/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 18 Dec-20 Dec 005/005-005/006-015/015
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 18 Dec-20 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/15/45
Minor storm 01/05/15
Major-severe storm 01/01/05
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12129. ARLD050 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 22:20:10 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7755 Message: 12129

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD050
ARLD050 DX news

ZCZC AE50
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 50 ARLD050
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 17, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD050
ARLD050 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, VE8EV, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SRI LANKA, 4S. Peter, DC0KK is QRV as 4S7KKG from Moragalla, IOTA AS-003, until January 7, 2010. Activity is on 20 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK and WSJT. QSL to home call.

NIGERIA, 5N. Ivan, OM3CGN is now QRV as 5N7M. He is active on 40 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

MAURITANIA, 5T. Ito, JA1PBV is QRV as 5T5BV until the end of December. Activity is on the HF band using mainly CW with some digital. QSL to home call.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, A6. Don, N1DG is QRV from club station A61AD in Abu Dhabi for about one week while on work assignment. Activity is generally on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY in his free time. QSL via operator's instructions.

QATAR, A7. In celebration of Qatar National Day, special event station A71QND is QRV until December 19. QSL via A71CO.

CUBA, CO. Edor, CO7PH is QRV as CO7PH/p from Cayo Coco, IOTA NA-086, until December 31. QSL direct via W3HNK.

ANTARCTICA. Felix is QRV as DP1POL from the German Neumayer Station III and has been active on 20 meters using SSB between 0000 and 0100z. QSL via DL1ZBO.

NORTHERN IRELAND, GI. Special event station GB1HF is QRV until January 10, 2010 to celebrate the first powered flight in Ireland by pilot and inventor Harry Ferguson. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via bureau.

ST. LUCIA, J6. John, VE8EV is QRV as J68/home call until December 20. Activity is on all bands using CW and SSB. This includes an entry in the RAC Winter contest. QSL to home call.

HAWAII, KH6. Tom, N1CE is QRV as home call/KH6 from Oahu Island, IOTA OC-019, until January 6, 2010. QSL direct.

WAKE ISLAND, KH9. Colin, WA2YUN is QRV as KH9/home call for about one year while on work assignment. He is active in his spare time. QSL via K2PF.

GREENLAND, OX. Fred, KB4DMQ is QRV as OX3QM from Thule for one year. He is currently active on 40 meters. QSL to home call.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PD09XMAS is QRV until January 3, 2010 to celebrate Christmas 2009. Activity has been on 20 meters using SSB. QSL via PD5X.

ANTARCTICA. Mike, RW1AI is QRV from club station R1ANP from Progress station and is here for about a year while on work assignment. QSL this operation via RW1AI.

POLAND, SP. Special event station HF150LZ is QRV until December 27 to commemorate the 150th birthday of Ludwik Zamenhof, the inventor of the artificial language Esperanto. QSL via SP4YPB.

SUDAN, ST. Members of the Khartoum Sea Scouts Radio Club are QRV as ST26ASC until January 28, 2010 to celebrate the 26th Arab Scouts Conference under Peace and Unity. They have been active on 20 meters using SSB. QSL via ST2M.

MOUNT ATHOS, SV/A. Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A has been QRV on 20 meters around 1330z and 40 meters around 1800 to 1900z. QSL direct.

CANADA, VE. Members of the Coquitlam and Surrey Amateur Radio clubs are QRV as VG7W until December 31. This includes an entry in the RAC Winter contest as a Multi/Multi entry. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB and FM. QSL via operators' instructions.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The OK DX RTTY Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, AGB-Party Contest, Russian 160-Meter Contest, RAC Winter Contest, Croatian CW Contest and ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint are all on tap for this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for December 21. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for December 23. The Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party runs from December 19 to January 3. Please see December QST, page 66, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
NNNN
/EX

12130. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 22:26:33 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 9721 Message: 12130

IV. Penticton 10.7 cm FluxObserved 17 Dec 087Predicted 18 Dec-20 Dec 088/088/088

OMG! Wonder if it'll break 90...

Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

12131. Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-17 22:47:13 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 9721 Message: 12131

YES !

go go go !

:-)

----- Original Message -----
From: Earl Needham
To: DX-IS
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2009 4:26 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

IV. Penticton 10.7 cm FluxObserved 17 Dec 087Predicted 18 Dec-20 Dec 088/088/088

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Earl

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

12132. Re: OC1I Operation: January 2008

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 11:56:19 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12125 Message: 12132

Received my QSL in late November for this one.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...> wrote:
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> Has anyone received cards for this operation yet ?
>
> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
>

12133. Re: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 12:00:26 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 9721 Message: 12133

As of this minute (Friday morning - 11:58 UTC) the SFI is 87 (according to what gets fed here from the VE7CC cluster node).
Unfortunately, there's also a CME on the way. I saw the forecast yesterday, but don't remember when it's supposed to hit.

Sure would be nice if maybe this spring the SFI could climb over 90.
After more than 30 years of slogging along on 80 with a low piece of wire, I finally got my 200th confirmed on 80 the other day. Ready for some more fun on 10 and 12 for a while.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
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> YES !
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> go go go !
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Earl Needham
> To: DX-IS
> Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2009 4:26 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
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> IV. Penticton 10.7 cm FluxObserved 17 Dec 087Predicted 18 Dec-20 Dec 088/088/088
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> OMG! Wonder if it'll break 90...
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> Earl
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> KD5XB -- Earl Needham
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
> Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
> Posted via Blackberry
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12134. ARLP052 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 16:36:46 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7958 Message: 12134

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP052
ARLP052 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP52
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 52 ARLP052
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 18, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP052
ARLP052 Propagation de K7RA

Sunspot activity continued this week, with new group 1035 emerging December 14, following 1034, which appeared December 9. Daily sunspot numbers since December 9, through December 17, have been 13, 13, 13, 12, 14, 28, 38, 30 and 24. Solar flux values have been above 80 since December 15, with the values from Tuesday through Thursday of this week at 81.6, 83.2 and 86.9. The 2000z (local noon in Penticton) are the official daily number, and on December 17 at 1800z the flux value was 88.1, higher than any flux value in the past three years.

The last time the 10.7 cm flux was higher was December 15, 2006 at 88.2. Just three days prior to that on December 12, 2006 it was 104.2. It wasn't long ago that flux values were in the sixties, but we haven't seen solar flux below 70 since October 16, 2009 at 69.6.

The latest prediction from NOAA and USAF is for flux values around 88 for December 18-20, then 85, 82, 82 and 80 for December 21-25. Predicted planetary A index for December 18-24 is 5, 6, 15, 6, 5, 5 and 5, indicating a possible disturbance on Sunday. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions December 18-19, unsettled to active December 20, quiet to unsettled December 21-22, unsettled December 23, and quiet December 24.

Currently at the NASA STEREO site (http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/) we can see sunspot group 1035 at a high latitude heading toward the western (right-hand) side of the solar image, and just passed over the eastern horizon a bright patch of activity that could emerge as a sunspot. There is also some activity in the southern hemisphere on the far side just emerging from the less than 13.7 percent of the Sun not visible to STEREO.

At http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt under the column "Sunspot Area 10E-6 Hemis" you can see the area (in millionths of a solar hemisphere) covered by sunspots steadily growing all week.

This increased sunspot activity gives us improved chances of expanded HF propagation. For instance, doing a projection with a popular propagation prediction program, with zero sunspots today from my location in Seattle to Brazil on 12 meters, there is a chance of propagation from 1800-2000z, but for less than 25 percent of the time. But with an average of sunspot number for the past few days at 30.7, the same path has excellent probability of opening with strong signals from 1700-2100z.

Mail after the 10 meter contest last weekend indicated that propagation was disappointing on Saturday and much better on Sunday. You can also see comments on the Contest Soapbox at http://www.arrl.org/contests/soapbox/. Just select "2009 ARRL Ten Meter Contest" from the drop-down menu.

In contrast to the 10 meter reports, there were a great many enthusiastic reports on 160 meters propagation this week. James French, W8ISS of Lincoln Park, Michigan operated from the Red Cross communications center in Ann Arbor. He reports that the 10 meter contest didn't get interesting until late in the event on Sunday. He says, "Listened a few times down on 160 meters and heard non-stop signals across the whole band."

Jan Wise, KA5PRO in Pocahontas, Arkansas was surprised on December 10 at 0407z when he contacted KH7XS in Laupahoehoe, which is on the northeast side of the Big Island of Hawaii. Jan was running 100 watts SSB on 1.845 MHz into a simple inverted L antenna at 50 feet.

Dick Bingham, W7WKR of Stehekin, Washington reports that last Saturday night in the evening local (West Coast) time he was surprised to work an SM4HCM and FM5CD on 160 meter CW with 100 watts into a sloping half-square antenna.

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia also reports great 160 meter conditions last weekend during the 10 meter contest. He noted great signals from Northern Europe, and 160 was "much better than during the 160 meter contest!"

Jon Jones, N0JK of Wichita, Kansas said 10 meters was bad Saturday, but he had great results on Sunday. He reports, "There was widespread Es (E-skip) across the southern part of the country. Had Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida and Alabama stations in all afternoon steady and loud. After 2200 UTC the Es spread west to Arizona, New Mexico and northeast to Ontario, Maryland, Michigan, etc."

"The Es to the Gulf of Mexico allowed an 'Es link' to form TEP (trans-equatorial propagation), and on to South America. So despite a low solar flux, CX, LU, PY stations were very strong around 2300 UTC Dec 13. I was able to work several PYs CXs and LU1HF while running 5 watts and a CB mag-mount whip on the car on 10M CW. They were an honest 599 despite a very simple antenna to Kansas. As strong as during solar Cycle 23 peak."

Randy Shirbroun, ND0C of Worthington, Minnesota reports some great 80 meter conditions last weekend. He wrote, "I was playing around off and on in the 10 meter Contest and there was some great Es and so-so TE on Saturday evening and especially Sunday afternoon. But for me the really exciting thing was around midnight (local) on Friday night on 80 meters."

"I run exclusively QRP so I am definitely a slave to the whims of the propagation gods. There wasn't anything going on 10 when I checked it around 0545 UTC Saturday - not very surprising but I was hoping for maybe a little MS (meteor scatter) or Es. So I went to 80 CW and was very pleasantly surprised. I was able to work 6 central and eastern Europeans (HA, HB, 9A, S5, and DK) in an hour running 5 watts to a dipole at 45 feet here in SW Minnesota. It wasn't easy, but the band was relatively quiet and no big pile-ups and the guys on the other end were patient and obviously had good ears. It was definitely my best hour of 80 meter DXing! I think that was a very special opening, but I definitely need to check 80 more often. (I'll bet it was a great night for the guys on 160 with decent antennas and a little power.) Hopefully it is a sign of things to come this winter on the lower bands, especially with non-existent sunspots. Maybe 5BDXCC with QRP is possible! I have 240 on 10, 270 on 15, 270 on 20, 100 on 40 and now 55 on 80 - we'll see!"

Randy Crews, W7TJ of Spokane, Washington wrote on December 16, "We are still in the low portion of the cycle, and I remember in years past during this time with a quiet Sun and geomagnetic field, low band propagation is exceptionally good. The higher solar activity enhances 40 meters, 30 meters and even 80 meters. Last weekend I worked three new European countries on 160 meters. 80, 40, and 30 meters offer short path European propagation starting an hour before local sunrise, switching to long path at sunrise, and back to short path propagation once again about 45 minutes to an hour past sunrise. Pretty cool!"

Robert Elek, W3HKK of Johnstown, Ohio reported on December 12, "Hark! Sunspots! And a big bump up in 40/80/160 DX was noted on Dec 11 and 12. But prior to that, 40 had been relatively quiet for the past week. However, on 12/6, OX3KQ sounded like a beacon on 7.153, with signals from S7 to S9 +5 dB for a couple of hours (1900-2100z). Mid afternoon! My average noise level was S2. OX3KQ was using a rotary dipole at 70 feet and working pile ups into most of Europe, plus pockets of JA and stateside stations who could penetrate his European wall. HA, IZ4, EC, UW5, DJ2, YO, RK0, A41, Z31, UR5, RZ8 were a sample of what he was plucking off, plus a dozen or so US and a dozen JAs. Non stop DX for him, and it sounded like he was picking them off the top of the pile. Fascinating to see how the skip would move around favoring first to his east, then to his west, then to his north."

"Again, we see that on a quiet or dead band, DX is possible from almost any point on the globe on 40 meters. Also, E51NAA (North Cook Islands) was worked again, on both 12/11 and 12/12 between 0400-0500z, around 7.025 MHz with good signals. I've heard him coming through for over a week now, again, on a quiet band."

"Another Magical Opening on 160: On 12/11 at 0500z I worked TF4M, plus LA, SM, PA: all with 599 signals, with 100w cw/160m inverted L with an average height above ground of 10 feet! It seems 1.815-1.840 is a jam packed DX segment especially on Friday and Saturday nights. And around 1.843, a UM0 (Uzbekistan) was a solid 5x7(3 S-units above my noise) and looking hard for takers. Amazing! You could hear nearly all of Europe calling CQ that night, many signals in the 579 to 599 range. On an antenna you could almost jump up and touch! Amazing. So it doesn't take a lot to join the fun."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for December 10 through 16 were 13, 13, 12, 14, 28, 38, and 30 with a mean of 21.1. 10.7 cm flux was 73.9, 72.1, 74.5, 75.5, 78.6, 81.6, and 83.2 with a mean of 77.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 0, 1, 2, 4, 0 and 3 with a mean of 1.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 0, 2, 1, 4, 0 and 2 with a mean of 1.4.
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/EX

12135. 5J1A QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 17:18:51 UTC
From: Alan Scher
Topic: 12135 Message: 12135

Hello All,
Does anyone have a route for 5J1A ?
Tks & 73
Alan WD8PKF

12136. BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 17:22:54 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12136

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I'm really pleased with myself!

73

Al, VE1AL

12137. Re: [DX-IS] 5J1A QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 17:26:11 UTC
From: WA8WV@aol.com
Topic: 12135 Message: 12137

Alan:

Count it have been 5J0A? Don't find any activity from 5J1A. 5J0A is in
QRZ.com
with activity in 2007.

DX,
Dave WA8WV

12138. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 17:28:25 UTC
From: WA8WV@aol.com
Topic: 12136 Message: 12138

Congratulations Al.

DX,
Dave WA8WV

Merry Christmas and HNY to all.

12139. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 17:49:28 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12139

Wow, cool. Congrats!

I need to send for cards for FT5GA. Also, after trying to get cards from 4O1A unsuccessfully, I worked 4O3A in CQWW. He has a US manager. That will give me everything I've worked confirmed, at 332 current countries confirmed for Mixed DXCC.

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12140. Re: [DX-IS] 5J1A QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 17:52:12 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 12135 Message: 12140

Yes, that is the only one I can think of go to http://www.frontiernet.net/~5j0a/

73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: WA8WV@aol.com
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Dave WA8WV

12141. RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 18:06:39 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12141

Thanks!! I might add that my overall total on the current list is 337.
I'm missing only PeeeeeFive for mixed #1 HR.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Zack Widup
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 1:49 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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12142. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #972

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 18:21:59 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 12142 Message: 12142

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4S - Peter, DC0KK is now active as 4S7KKG from Sri Lanka until 7 January. He operates SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands. QSl via home call, direct or bureau.
5N - Nick, LZ1QK has been active as 5N/LZ1QK from Nigeria since October 2008. He has now received four callsigns for him to use from different locations (5N3LQK, 5N3WQK, 5N4LQK and 5N4WQK). Next year he will operate under a special callsign (5N50K) celebrating the 50th anniversary of indipendence of Nigeria. The QSL route for all calls is via LZ1CL. [TNX The Daily DX]
5R - Sam, G4OHX will be active as 5R8HX from Antananarivo, Madagascar (AF-013) from 28 December until 3 January. He plans to operate mainly CW "on as many bands as possible". QSL via home call, direct only.
GM - Using their club callsign GS2MP (North of Scotland Contest Group), Chris/GM3WOJ and Jim/GM0NAI will be operating their vintage Yaesu transmitters/receivers and transceivers from 1 January through 31 December. Each calendar month they will use a different Yaesu radio and amateurs worldwide are invited to work GS2MP and earn points towards the "Yaesu Heritage Year Award". Operation will mostly be on 40 and 20 SSB and CW. More details can be found at http://www.gm7v.com/yaesu2010.htm [TNX GM3WOJ]
J8 - George, K2CM will be active from Bequia Island (NA-025) from 8 January to 12 February. He will operate SSB and CW on 20 and maybe 40 metres. QSl via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
KH9 - The Daily DX reports that Colin, KH9/WA2YUN now expects to remain on Wake Island (OC-053) for "about another year". He is active in his limited spare time. QSL via K2PF.
ST - The Khartoum Sea Scouts Radio Club (ST2KSS) will be active as ST26ASC until 28 January to celebrate the 26th Arab Scout Conference that will be held next month. QSL via ST2M. [TNX ST2M]
VE - Steve, N6QEK will be active as VY1/N6QEK from Whitehorse, Yukon from 30 December to 4 January, including the ARRL RTTY Roundup. He

plans to operate RTTY, PSK31 and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via N6QEK. Further information can be found at http://www.n6qek.com [TNX NG3K]
VP8_fal- Michael, G7VJR and Martin, G3ZAY will be active as VP8DMN from the Falkland Islands (SA-002) on 21-29 January. They will operate mainly CW, with an emphasis on the low bands. QSL via G7VJR, direct or bureau. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
XE - The Grupo DXXE (http://www.dxxe.org/) will be active from various locations as 4A1DXXE on 20-31 December to c elebrate their 5th anniversary. This will be an all band SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 operation. QSL via N7RO (direct or bureau) and LoTW. [TNX XE1R]
YJ - Nao, JK1FNL will be active as YJ0NA from Port Vila (OC-035), Vanuatu from 28 December to 4 January. He will operate on 40-6 metres with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via home call. [TNX JK1FNL]
YJ - Franko (9A3DW), Hrle (9A6XX), Marko (9A8MM) and possibly a fourth operator will be active as YJ0MM from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu on 21-28 January. They plan to have two medium power stations active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY using verticals and spiderbeams. QSL via 9A8MM, direct or automatically via the bureau. Further information can be found at http://vanuatu.rkp.hr/

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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BLACK SEA CUP ---> The Black Sea Contest Club sponsors the Black Sea Cup International Contest, which will be held from 12 UTC on 6 February through 11.59 UTC on the 7th. For further information please visit http://bscc.in/ [TNX UR5EAW]

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR SURVEY ---> Col, MM0NDX is conducting an online survey to recognize the DX World of Ham Radio DXpedition of the Year 2009 - please visit http://dx-hamspirit.com/dxpedition-of-the-year-2009/ and cast your vote!

QSL P29CS ---> Andy, P29CS (Lihir Island, OC-069) advises not to use his qrz.com address for sending cards, as it is his location only and the cards will not get to him. Andy is presently looking for a QSL manager, but this might take a while. [TNX VY0PW]

+ SILENT KEY + Recently reported Silent Keys include Tadahiko Honma (JA1UE), Karel Debrouwere (ON5BV), Arnold J. Polsbroek (PZ1AP), Nikolaj S. Esipenko (RA3XG), Karlis Sleckaitis (YL2MD) and Antonio Scolamiero (YV4DDK).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******

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5B4AIF EB7DX CX7CO WB3CDX RA9LI/0 UA9LP
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5N3WQK LZ1CL DL0PFB DL8HCI S21B KX7YT
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6W7RV F8CMT E51LEO PA3LEO ST2NH EA7FTR
7Z1HL DJ9ZB E51NAA PA3LEO SU9HP SC6A
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9G5SW OK1DOT E51SNL PA3LEO T6AG EA3GHZ
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9J2FM JA4ATV EV1R EU1PA TJ3SL F5PSA
9K2YM EA5KB EW6DX EB7DX TM55T F6KUP
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A61BK NI5DX HG0WFF HA0HW UK8OK EA7FTR
A61BN NI5DX HI3CCP ON4IQ UN7AB DL8KAC
A65BE G3XHZ HI8LAM EA5NI UN7TK EA7FTR
A65BG PA7FM HP3DX W4WX UN9PQ IK2QPR
A7/M0FGA NN1N HR2/N8OO N8OO VP9400HW VP9HW
A71QND A71CO HR2/NP3D W3HNK VY1RST KL7JR
AN5CRM EA5URL IQ3GA/3 IW3IE WH0DX JM1LJS
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BT3WX BA1DU LT1A LU3CT ZC4VJ M0URX
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CE0Z/SM6CUK SM6CUK OY3AA OZ1ACB ZL/OE2SNL PA3LEO

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CN2JB F5MMY P29CW VK2IR ZL/PA3LEO PA3LEO
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12143. RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 18:25:08 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12136 Message: 12143

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12144. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 18:50:05 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12144

I am currently caught up also at 313 worked and confirmed. 2 of those are on the delted list, though-East Germany and Czechoslokia. Starting to feel like an old timer having deleted entities worked!

73s John AA5JG

John 1:29

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 11:49 AM

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12145. RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 18:51:15 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12145

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John 1:29

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From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 12:25 PM

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12146. [425ENG] 425 Dx News #972 [Calendar]

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 18:54:48 UTC
From: 425eng@425dxn.org
Topic: 12146 Message: 12146

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12147. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 19:05:34 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12147

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12148. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 19:39:43 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12136 Message: 12148

Congratulations on the accomplishment. See you at the DX Dinner in 2010?

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Alan Leith
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 11:22 AM
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12149. Gotta be careful what you say

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 20:26:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12149 Message: 12149

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12150. Re: [DX-IS] Gotta be careful what you say

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 20:28:18 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12149 Message: 12150

What about OF, then?

73s John AA5JG

John 1:29

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net>
Subject: [DX-IS] Gotta be careful what you say
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Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 2:26 PM

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 20:31:51 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12151

I need 3D2/C, JD/M and KH5K on CW, John. As hard as I tried, I could not hear the last Conway group. Why I don't have Kingman on CW is beyond me!.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 2:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 20:36:14 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12152

Hello Mike,

Nice going yourself! While I have 5BDXCC, my nemesis appears to be 12M for 8BDXCC. I'm afraid 9BDXCC is never going to be possible from a small city lot with lots of local interference. As they say, keep on truckin'.

Greetings for the season.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 3:06 PM
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12153. RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 20:37:32 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12153

I had every intention of going in 2009, Gary, and can't now recall why I didn't. I am planning on 2010, though. So YES!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
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12154. Re: [DX-IS] Gotta be careful what you say

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 20:40:57 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12149 Message: 12154

I once worked TR1XX (now a Silent Key) on CW and sent "BJR" to him, which was followed by a long message from him back to me in French. I understood maybe 5 words of it. So I'm careful of what I send now due to that, too! :-)

73, Zack W9SZ

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12155. Re: [DX-IS] Gotta be careful what you say

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 20:44:50 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 12149 Message: 12155

I once sent a semi-rare op "loud in Texas" and he
replied "Tnx Loud"...

Derek
aa5bt

12156. Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:24:52 UTC
From: Jim Vaughan
Topic: 12136 Message: 12156

Hi Al,

I will trade you my P5 for a BS7H. I guess they will never go back to the rock reef.

I had #1 until they approved the BS7H.

73,
Jim, K4TXJ
Louisville, Ky.

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 1:06 PM
Subject: [Norton AntiSpam] RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

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Date: 2009-12-18 21:33:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12157

Hi Jim,

I was a hair's width away from a P5 QSO but I didn't get through. Someday (and I hope to be alive) it will come back on. I'll get it!

As for that BS7H -- my QSO was on 20M CW in '95. I counted myself lucky that I made a single QSO. Trying to work them on SSB that time was difficult and I never did get through.

NEVER say NEVER. As long as it counts, it will come back on.

Good luck!

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:39:17 UTC
From: Jim Vaughan
Topic: 12136 Message: 12158

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:42:08 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12159

I couldn't hear the last Conway group either and I am a lot closer to them than you are.

73s John AA5JG

Matthew 28:20

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From: Alan Leith <aleith@syd.eastlink.ca>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 2:31 PM

I need 3D2/C, JD/M and KH5K on CW, John. As hard as I tried, I could not hear the last Conway group. Why I don't have Kingman on CW is beyond me!.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 2:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Which 3 do you still need on CW besides P5?

73s John AA5JG

John 1:29

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx. net> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx. net>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 12:25 PM

At 02:06 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

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Al, VE1AL

I think I'm one of the two Al said he could brag to! Well, Al, congratulations! Nice going and I know the reason you don't have a P5 is simply because you were not QRV when he

was on the air . .. . so you are excused for that transgression. My bet is when another one shows up you will have him is short order.

Take care and keep knocking them off on all bands and modes. That's what it is all about. 17 is open to Africa right now (18:22 UTC), by the way.

73, Paul VE1DX

12160. Re: RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:43:43 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12160

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Matthew 28:20

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From: Jim Vaughan <k4txj@arrl.net>
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:44:18 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12161

Now that's the spirit, Jim! Say a prayer every night to the Palos Verdes Sun Dancers and work on every DXpeditioneer wannabe you can find. A promise of a $1 million life insurance policy might help to convince him/her of your desire to work a BS7 :-) .

Good luck with that!!!

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:46:58 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12162

True, John. But there have been shorter nevers.....

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:53:44 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12163

I got lucky with ONE QSO with the last BS7H operation, on 20 CW.

Of the ones I still haven't worked, I think 3YBouvet and P5 are going to be
the toughest. The other four (A5, A9, EP and YA) have ops there but don't
seem to agree with my schedule or propagation at this time.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 21:59:08 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 12136 Message: 12164

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to see a North American-based DXpedition. The last one was
for Europe and didn't give a hoot about us.
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That's a bit unkind. Pacific stuff is much rarer in EU than in NA.
I have worked it 20 or more times over the years from TX, and did
work this last lot on 15m SSB, but it didn't do anything to my
heart rate.

I don't think the BYs and JAs complained about BS7H working lots
of us in NA.

HNY a tous,
Derek aa5bt

12165. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12165

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 18 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 352 Issued at 2200Z on 18 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 17/2100Z
to 18/2100Z: Solar activity has been low. One C-class event
occurred from Region 1035 (N30W45). It was an optically
uncorrelated, impulsive C7.6 observed at 18/1855Z. Numerous B-class
events were also observed throughout the period. Region 1035
continues to grow in area (310 millionths), longitudinal extent (12
degrees) and spot count (14 spots). However, during the past 24
hours, the large negative polarity penumbra and associated umbra
located near region center decayed resulting in a beta magnetic
configuration for the region.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low.
There is a slight chance for an isolated M-class event from Region
1035.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 17/2100Z to 18/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for day one (19 December) of the forecast
period. An increase to unsettled to active levels is expected on
day two (20 December). The increase in activity levels is due to
the expected arrival of the CME observed on 16 December. By day
three (21 December), the field will return to mostly quiet levels.
III. Event Probabilities 19 Dec-21 Dec
Class M 10/10/10
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 18 Dec 084
Predicted 19 Dec-21 Dec 085/085/083
90 Day Mean 18 Dec 073
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 17 Dec 002/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 18 Dec 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 19 Dec-21 Dec 005/005-015/015-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 19 Dec-21 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 15/45/15
Minor storm 05/15/05
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Major-severe storm 01/05/01

12166. Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 22:26:56 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 12136 Message: 12166

Zack,

As long as BRAG is the header, A92GE was on 30 this AM working NA.

Got him after a while and his QSL was in LoTW before I got my data loaded!!

Ain't the digital world wonderful?

73 Don K5AQ

12167. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 22:34:41 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12167

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Mike, W5UC
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You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12168. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 22:37:44 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12168

I gotta get a 30 meter antenna back up. My 40 meter loop just doesn't work at all on 30 meters. It does OK on 20 and 15.

Putting another antenna up involves coming up with a 30 foot ladder and getting up on the roof. Maybe if we have another warm day on a weekend I can manage it soon.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 4:34 PM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <
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12169. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 22:48:30 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 12136 Message: 12169

Mike,

Hope you enjoy the groceries!

The DXSCAPE cluster shows spots from 1330-1436. I worked him at 1357 after he started taking NA only.

I had to go out to do some shopping with the XYL, and by the time I got back a couple of hours later he was already in LoTW for the session and I got an instant match.

Good luck and Merry Christmas.

Don K5AQ

12170. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 22:58:25 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12170

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Very Good. Thanks for the info. I looked in my LOTW matrix and I need that one.

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Date: 2009-12-18 23:48:01 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12171

Well Duh, at 13:45 obviously

73s John AA5JG

Matthew 28:20

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <w5uc@...> wrote:

From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <w5uc@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 4:34 PM

donhall161 wrote:
>
>
> Zack,
>
> As long as BRAG is the header, A92GE was on 30 this AM working NA.
>
> Got him after a while and his QSL was in LoTW before I got my data
> loaded!!
>
> Ain't the digital world wonderful?
>
> 73 Don K5AQ
Don, what time was it when he was on? I took off to do a honey-do
(grocery shopping) around 13:45Z.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenli nk.net/pages/ w5uc/

12172. RE: RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 00:13:25 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12172

Perhaps a bit unkind, Derek. Definitely sour grapes.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Derek Wills
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:59 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

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for Europe and didn't give a hoot about us.
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I have worked it 20 or more times over the years from TX, and did work this
last lot on 15m SSB, but it didn't do anything to my heart rate.

I don't think the BYs and JAs complained about BS7H working lots of us in
NA.

HNY a tous,
Derek aa5bt

Yahoo! Groups Links

12173. VE7CC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 00:21:18 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12173 Message: 12173

Apparently the latest VE7CC update file has had it's little brains scrambled. I can't get it to update correctly on either computer. On my shack computer it won't do anything when I click on Update, and on this machine it updates, but immediately says to update.

Any clues, fixes, or ideas?

73,
Mike, W5UC
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12174. Re: RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 00:17:53 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12174

Ah !

BS7H,..... the Dxpedition that Never should have been !

IMO !

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:13 PM
Subject: RE: RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

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Yahoo! Groups Links

12175. Re: [DX-IS] VE7CC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 00:34:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12173 Message: 12175

At 08:21 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:
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>scrambled. I can't get it to update correctly on either computer. On
>my shack computer it won't do anything when I click on Update, and on
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Mike,

I think that is/was a glitch that has been fixed. The one-time
work around suggested was:

(1) Go to the Settings tab

(2) Click Test

If my memory is correct, this will do the update.

73, Paul VE1DX

12176. Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 00:40:10 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12136 Message: 12176

At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

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> IMO !
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countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to exist
for political reasons. If they met the size/distance criteria when
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73, Paul VE1DX

12177. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 00:44:39 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12177

NO,

because it was DANGEROUS and stupid to basically build a Pallet on top of a ROCK in the middle of the ocean, thats taking things a little to far ! this is a hobby its NOT life or death ! to risk lives for DXCC glory is a WASTE.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

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12178. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 00:54:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12178

Right now going to T5/6O is probably more dangerous than BS7H but it is still on the list.

73s John AA5JG

Matthew 28:20

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 6:44 PM

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73, Paul VE1DX

12179. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-18 23:18:11 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12179

Congrats, Alan,

BTW, did you want to see a good Pee Five card in jpeg?

73 de Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 10:06 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Thanks!! I might add that my overall total on the current list is 337. I'm missing only PeeeeeFive for mixed #1 HR.

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Al, VE1AL

12180. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:01:25 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12180

then IT shouldnt be on the list either.

this is a Hobby not intended to be life threatening.

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From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:54 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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73, Paul VE1DX

12181. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:10:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12136 Message: 12181

At 08:44 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

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> lives for DXCC glory is a WASTE.
>
> Joey

There have always been dangerous places to go, for various reasons. Places like Peter 1st, South Sandwich or Bouvet are dangerous just by their location. Many places in the world now will get you shot at if you go there. Decades ago the Spratlys were a place where access meant crossing through an area infested by pirates. At least one group were attacked one or more members of the crew killed. It may still be that bad, although I think access is now possible by air. BS7H is difficult because of physical access to the rocks themselves AND for political and pirate reasons.

No one has to go to these places, and the danger is why many of them are rarely activated. If DXpeditioners only went to the easy places, half of those on the list would never be activated. Those who go take a calculated risk. Thankfully few have resulted in fatalities, but some have over the years. I don't know that BS7H is the worst place on the planet to try to activate, but if it is not, it is close. That is why it is rare and likely will remain so.

73, Paul VE1DX

12182. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:12:53 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12182

But conditions can and do change. How many in the late 90s ever thought that YA would be activated again. Same for ZA throughout the 80s. Plenty of other countries who quickly changed situations and became active again, or safe to activate. If it is dangerous, don't go there, but it doesn't warrant removing it from the DXCC list if it met the criteria when it was added.

From what I see BS7 is above the water level at high tide, which is all that is needed for it to count from a physical standpoint.

73s John AA5JG

Matthew 28:20

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 7:01 PM

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Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:54 PM
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12183. Re: [DX-IS] Gotta be careful what you say

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:20:21 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12149 Message: 12183

Ok - gotta add my 2?? worth. A guy applied for a drivers license and as he only had initials he put on the application J only B only Smith. When he got his license back it read Jonly Bonly Smith. Careful what you write too;-)
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Derek Wills" <oo7@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 12:44 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Gotta be careful what you say

>I once sent a semi-rare op "loud in Texas" and he
> replied "Tnx Loud"...
>
> Derek
> aa5bt
>

12184. Re: [DX-IS] 5J1A QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:28:20 UTC
From: Alan Scher
Topic: 12135 Message: 12184

Dave,
DX summit showed activity from 5J1A on the dates I worked him. I'm fairly sure of the call.
Alan
----- Original Message -----
From: WA8WV@aol.com
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 11:26 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5J1A QSLs

Alan:

Count it have been 5J0A? Don't find any activity from 5J1A. 5J0A is in QRZ.com
with activity in 2007.

DX,
Dave WA8WV

12185. RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:36:31 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12185

Thanks Rene. Actually, I have seen several good P5s and cry every time!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
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12186. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:36:38 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12186

How about Okino Tori-Shima? Hmmmmm

Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 4:44 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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Joey
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Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 70 on CW and I was too dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should have worked it. I don't think 70 ought to be deleted, either. It gives me something to look forward to.

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12187. RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:47:15 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12187

I could not disagree more. As has been pointed out, the DXCC criteria allowed for the creation of Scarborough Reef as a "country" at the time it was added. It became the same kind of challenge to us hams as did Kilimanjaro or Mt. Everest to mountain climbers or Antarctica or the floor of the Pacific Ocean to explorers.

After experiencing an extremely dangerous evacuation from St. Paul Island in 1988 and then again a somewhat dangerous but less traumatic departure from Sable Island the following year, I never once suggested that either be deleted. And while neither would fit today's criteria, both still count for DXCC.

Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer chances.

I'd go back to St. Paul or Sable in a flash. You couldn't pay me to step across the border in to Afghanistan.

Okino Tori-shima was a political error. Steps were immediately taken to see that would never happen again.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 9:01 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
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12188. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:43:52 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12188

Ok, but I could send you a jpeg of Romeo's card too for a laugh!
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:36 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Thanks Rene. Actually, I have seen several good P5s and cry every time!!

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12189. Fwd: Look at this auto-mobile

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:49:17 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12189 Message: 12189

This was sent to me by KC8JX this evening.

Thought it might be interesting to the group.

Off subject I know, but......

Dale K8TS

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: "Larry Knapp" <kc8jx@...>
To: "Earl Harris" <EARL@...>, "Dave Poplewski" <dpopski@...>
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 8:57:43 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Look at this auto-mobile

The ultimate mobile shack......
http://jalopnik.com/5428829/ham-cramwich-25000-of-communications-gear-in-a-500-car

12190. Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:49:29 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12190

Look what I have started,

:-(I dont KNOW about these others But I saw the pictures of BS7H

and in my opinion it was madness...

Joey
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73, Paul VE1DX

12191. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:51:50 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12136 Message: 12191

Nice job AL.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 12:22:54 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Since there are only two other local DXers to whom I can brag, I simply have to tell everyone (whether they care or not) that the arrival today of a QSL from FO/F6CTL (Marquesas) for SSB and a card two weeks ago from 4W6AL (note the similarity in our calls!!!) for CW have given me all the countries I have worked on SSB and CW confirmed. So I now have 335 confirmations on SSB and 334 confirmed on CW.

I'm really pleased with myself!

73

Al, VE1AL

12192. RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:52:52 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12192

I actually lost (misplaced???) the first card I got for P5RS7. So I spent the money and sent for a replacement that is now safely tucked away!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 9:44 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Ok, but I could send you a jpeg of Romeo's card too for a laugh!
Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan <mailto:aleith@...> Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:36 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Thanks Rene. Actually, I have seen several good P5s and cry every time!!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 7:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Congrats, Alan,

BTW, did you want to see a good Pee Five card in jpeg?

73 de Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Alan <mailto:aleith@...> Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 10:06 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Thanks!! I might add that my overall total on the current list is 337.
I'm missing only PeeeeeFive for mixed #1 HR.

73

Al, VE1AL

12193. RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:53:44 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12136 Message: 12193

How soon we forget ...
What about the Germans (IIRC) that were killed trying to operate from
Spratly. Today you can stay at a resort there and operate.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: joeyw5tfw@gmail.com
Date: Fri, 18 Dec 2009 19:01:25 -0600
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

☐

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either.

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From:
John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:54
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not
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73s John AA5JG

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73, Paul
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12194. RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 01:54:39 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12194

And now for THE WORLD!!!!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 9:52 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

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12195. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 02:14:31 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12136 Message: 12195

Don;

I worked A92GA in one of the CQWW. Wanted the card.....qrz advised regeristed......spent the extra $$ but got the real thing on the wall !

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "donhall161" <donhall161@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:26:56 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Zack,

As long as BRAG is the header, A92GE was on 30 this AM working NA.

Got him after a while and his QSL was in LoTW before I got my data loaded!!

Ain't the digital world wonderful?

73 Don K5AQ

12196. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 02:19:33 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12136 Message: 12196

At 05:49 PM 12/18/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
>Look what I have started,
>
>:-(I dont KNOW about these others But I saw the pictures of BS7H
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>and in my opinion it was madness...

You realize, of course, there was a well-provisioned boat, crew and doctor stationed just off the reef and at the first hint of trouble or bad weather the operators would have been whisked off to safety? These people were intelligent, experienced, well-trained and constantly monitored. Mad? No. Brass balls? Yes.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12197. Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 02:25:10 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 12136 Message: 12197

Dale,

A92GE on 30 was a band fill. I have one on 40M from a US military ham operating from the beach.

I like cards, but for band fills right at the end of the year are fine also.

73 Don K5AQ

12198. Re: [DX-IS] VE7CC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 02:35:48 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12173 Message: 12198

Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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>
> At 08:21 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:
> >Apparently the latest VE7CC update file has had it's little brains
> >scrambled. I can't get it to update correctly on either computer. On
> >my shack computer it won't do anything when I click on Update, and on
> >this machine it updates, but immediately says to update.
> >
> >Any clues, fixes, or ideas?
> >
> >73,
> >Mike, W5UC
> >*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
> > You are about to receive your bounty.*
> >http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
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> Mike,
>
> I think that is/was a glitch that has been fixed. The one-time
> work around suggested was:
>
> (1) Go to the Settings tab
>
> (2) Click Test
>
> If my memory is correct, this will do the update.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>
BINGO!! Paul. Thanks!

73,
Mike, W5UC
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12199. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 03:08:42 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12199

Okino Tori-Shima was the only deleted entity since I've been on the air that I missed. Partly due to the massive QRM that made me go away. I'm sorry now that I didn't go for it - fairly easy from the Left Coast. Just like the Pee Five after he was spotted on the cluster - the S-meter went to +30 and stayed there probably until he went QRT. No way would I have gotten into that mess.

73 de Rene
p.s. 7J1 had a platform that as I recall was only visible at low tide...
----- Original Message -----
From: Alan Leith
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:47 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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After experiencing an extremely dangerous evacuation from St. Paul Island in 1988 and then again a somewhat dangerous but less traumatic departure from Sable Island the following year, I never once suggested that either be deleted. And while neither would fit today's criteria, both still count for DXCC.

Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer chances.

I'd go back to St. Paul or Sable in a flash. You couldn't pay me to step across the border in to Afghanistan.

Okino Tori-shima was a political error. Steps were immediately taken to see that would never happen again.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 9:01 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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73, Paul VE1DX

12200. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 03:52:04 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12200

If you were sane you wouldn't be a DXer

73s John AA5JG

Matthew 28:20

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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12201. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 04:08:20 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12201

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12202. RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 06:46:46 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12202

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12203. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 07:26:49 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12203

A lot of places are more dangerous for various reasons. Yemen. Peter I Island. Annobon Island. Certain of the Spratley Islands.

People went to all of these and most came back safely, except for one operation to the Spratleys. Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?

73, Zack W9SZ

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12204. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 07:27:44 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12204

Closer to home, CY9 and CY0.

73, Zack W9SZ

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> *From:* Paul M Dunphy<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=list_dx@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups. com<http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:
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> Ah !
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> BS7H,..... the Dxpedition that Never should have been !
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> Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 7O on CW and I was too
> dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't
> think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should
> have worked it. I don't think 7O ought to be deleted, either. It gives me
> something to look forward to.
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> BS7H met the DXCC rules when it was added. It doesn't now, but
> countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to exist for
> political reasons. If they met the size/distance criteria when they were
> added, they are there for the long haul...
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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12205. Re: BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:35:53 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12205

Congrats! And you're still ahead of me! I have something like 331 mixed, 320 CW and only 308 on SSB. I should live long enough to catch you!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>
> Since there are only two other local DXers to whom I can brag, I simply
> have to tell everyone (whether they care or not) that the arrival today of
> a QSL from FO/F6CTL (Marquesas) for SSB and a card two weeks ago from 4W6AL
> (note the similarity in our calls!!!) for CW have given me all the
> countries I have worked on SSB and CW confirmed. So I now have 335
> confirmations on SSB and 334 confirmed on CW.
>
> I'm really pleased with myself!
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> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
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12206. Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:42:40 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12206

I must have really been lucky. That last group worked me on 15, 17 and 20 SSB/CW. Only one of the 4 QSOs was easy!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> True, John. But there have been shorter nevers.......
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> If we want to work Conway Reef in North America we'll have to see a North
> American-based DXpedition. The last one was for Europe and didn't give a
> hoot about us.
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> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:44 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> Never is a long time.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> Matthew 28:20
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> From: Jim Vaughan <k4txj@...>

> Subject: Re: RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 3:39 PM
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> I hope it will Al. Of course, I have to live that long.
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> 73 and good DX,
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> Jim, K4TXJ
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Alan Leith
> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=aleith@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 4:33 PM
> Subject: [Norton AntiSpam] RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> Hi Jim,
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> I was a hair's width away from a P5 QSO but I didn't get through. Someday
> (and I hope to be alive) it will come back on. I'll get it!
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> As for that BS7H -- my QSO was on 20M CW in '95. I counted myself lucky
> that I made a single QSO. Trying to work them on SSB that time was
> difficult and I never did get through.
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> NEVER say NEVER. As long as it counts, it will come back on.
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> Good luck!
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> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:25 PM

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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>
> Hi Al,
>
> I will trade you my P5 for a BS7H. I guess they will never go back to the
> rock reef.
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> I had #1 until they approved the BS7H.
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> 73,
> Jim, K4TXJ
> Louisville, Ky.
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> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 1:49 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.
> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> Wow, cool. Congrats!

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> I need to send for cards for FT5GA. Also, after trying to get cards from
> 4O1A unsuccessfully, I worked 4O3A in CQWW. He has a US manager. That will
> give me everything I've worked confirmed, at 332 current countries
> confirmed for Mixed DXCC.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 11:22 AM, Alan Leith <aleith@...
> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=aleith@...> .ca>
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12207. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:48:26 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12207

Amen, Schedule a cruise on a ship going somewhere well to the western side of the Indian ocean. Take your portable rig with you. When the cruise ship gets hijacked and they take you back to Somalia, ask them if you can work DX!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
>
> Right now going to T5/6O is probably more dangerous than BS7H but it is still on the list.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> Matthew 28:20
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> --- On Fri, 12/18/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
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> From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 6:44 PM
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12208. Re: VE7CC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:45:43 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12173 Message: 12208

Open up the "Settings" tab. In the section labeled "Updater" (mine has a couple of little green windows), click on "Test".

For whatever reason, that seems to "unlock" the process. The update I got later (after that one locked up) seemed to work properly.

Had to do that on mine and the wife's PC.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...> wrote:
>
> Apparently the latest VE7CC update file has had it's little brains
> scrambled. I can't get it to update correctly on either computer. On
> my shack computer it won't do anything when I click on Update, and on
> this machine it updates, but immediately says to update.
>
> Any clues, fixes, or ideas?
>
> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
> *If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
> You are about to receive your bounty.*
> http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
>

12209. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:50:06 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12209

Then those guys who just went to Conway Reef should have that one deleted as well. After all, if anything happened to either one of them, they were hundreds of miles away from any medical attention.

Oh, and we should stop people from climbing mountains while we're at it.

What about airplanes? They crash too, don't they.

What about......

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
>
> then IT shouldnt be on the list either.
>
> this is a Hobby not intended to be life threatening.
>
> IMO
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: John Geiger
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:54 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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>
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Paul M Dunphy
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
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> Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 70 on CW and I was too dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should have worked it. I don't think 70 ought to be deleted, either. It gives me something to look forward to.
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> BS7H met the DXCC rules when it was added. It doesn't now, but countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to exist for political reasons. If they met the size/distance criteria when they were added, they are there for the long haul..
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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12210. Re: 5J1A QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:52:44 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12135 Message: 12210

The November 2007 operation was 5J0A - many, many of the spots at that time for 5J1A were in error - as were the spots for HJ0A and HJ1A.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Alan Scher" <wd8pkf@...> wrote:
>
> Dave,
> DX summit showed activity from 5J1A on the dates I worked him. I'm fairly sure of the call.
> Alan
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: WA8WV@...
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 11:26 AM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5J1A QSLs
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> Alan:
>
> Count it have been 5J0A? Don't find any activity from 5J1A. 5J0A is in QRZ.com
> with activity in 2007.
>
> DX,
> Dave WA8WV
>

12211. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:54:50 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12211

Okino Tori Shima should never have been admitted in the first place and that was later acknowledged. It probably enjoyed the shortest stay on the DXCC list of any entity ever placed there.

It was ultimately classified as a "seamount" - a portion of it was above water *only* during low tide. When the tide was in, that platform those guys operated from was sticking up out of the water with no rock/land visible at all.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...> wrote:
>
> How about Okino Tori-Shima? Hmmmmm
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> Rene
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 4:44 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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12212. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 12:58:37 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12212

Hong Kong, S.M.O.M. and Macao. Maybe even Mt. Athos. What about Jersey and Guernsey?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
>
> Has anyone analyzed the current DXCC list to determine how many entities would be on it if every entity had to meet the current DXCC guidelines? A few I can see dropping off would be 4U1UN, 4U1ITU, KP5, GM, GW, EA6, IS, TK
> Â
> 73s John AA5JG
>
> --- On Fri, 12/18/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 7:47 PM
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> I could not disagree more.Â As has been pointed out, the DXCC criteria allowed for the creation of Scarborough Reef as a "country" at the time it was added.Â It became the same kind of challenge to us hams as did Kilimanjaro or Mt. Everest to mountain climbers or Antarctica or the floor of the Pacific Ocean to explorers.
> Â
> After experiencing an extremely dangerous evacuation from St. Paul Island in 1988 and then again a somewhat dangerous but less traumatic departure from Sable Island the following year, I never once suggested that either be deleted.Â And while neither would fit today's criteria, both still count for DXCC.Â
> Â
> Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer chances.
> Â
> I'd go back to St. Paul or Sable in a flash.Â You couldn't pay me to step across the border in to Afghanistan.
> Â
> Okino Tori-shima was a political error.Â Steps were immediately taken to see that would never happen again.Â
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 9:01 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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12213. RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 13:26:54 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12213

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 8:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

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Yahoo! Groups Links

12214. RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 13:30:55 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12214

Thanks for the congrats, Art. Yes, it was really frustrating to see spots for Conway from North America and when I was around looking for them I could not hear a peep. Strangely, I heard TX3 several times but was not successful in working them either. Luck of the draw, I guess.

I'm not sure, but I believe VE1DX worked both of them. 100 miles northeast, I couldn't hear much.

Happy holidays, my friend, and I consider the race to be on :-) .

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aburkefl
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 8:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

I must have really been lucky. That last group worked me on 15, 17 and 20 SSB/CW. Only one of the 4 QSOs was easy!

Art - N4PJ

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> If we want to work Conway Reef in North America we'll have to see a
> North American-based DXpedition. The last one was for Europe and
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> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:44 PM
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> I hope it will Al. Of course, I have to live that long.
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> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 4:33 PM
> Subject: [Norton AntiSpam] RE: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> Hi Jim,
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Someday
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> As for that BS7H -- my QSO was on 20M CW in '95. I counted myself lucky
> that I made a single QSO. Trying to work them on SSB that time was
> difficult and I never did get through.
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> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 5:25 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> Hi Al,
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> I will trade you my P5 for a BS7H. I guess they will never go back to
the
> rock reef.
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> I had #1 until they approved the BS7H.
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> 73,
> Jim, K4TXJ
> Louisville, Ky.
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> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 1:06 PM
> Subject: [Norton AntiSpam] RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> Thanks!! I might add that my overall total on the current list is 337.
> I'm missing only PeeeeeFive for mixed #1 HR.
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> 73
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> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Zack Widup
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 1:49 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.
> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> Wow, cool. Congrats!
>
> I need to send for cards for FT5GA. Also, after trying to get cards from
> 4O1A unsuccessfully, I worked 4O3A in CQWW. He has a US manager. That
will
> give me everything I've worked confirmed, at 332 current countries
> confirmed for Mixed DXCC.
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 11:22 AM, Alan Leith <aleith@...
> <http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=aleith@...> .ca>
> wrote:
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>
> Since there are only two other local DXers to whom I can brag, I simply
> have to tell everyone (whether they care or not) that the arrival today
of
> a QSL from FO/F6CTL (Marquesas) for SSB and a card two weeks ago from
4W6AL
> (note the similarity in our calls!!!) for CW have given me all the
> countries I have worked on SSB and CW confirmed. So I now have 335
> confirmations on SSB and 334 confirmed on CW.
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> I'm really pleased with myself!
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> 73

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> Al, VE1AL
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Yahoo! Groups Links

12215. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 13:51:20 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12215

I Agree !

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 10:08 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

John Geiger wrote:

If you were sane you wouldn't be a DXer

73s John AA5JG

Matthew 28:20

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Dick Flanagan <dick@...> wrote:

From: Dick Flanagan <dick@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 8:19 PM

At 05:49 PM 12/18/2009, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:

Look what I have started,

:-(I dont KNOW about these others But I saw the pictures of BS7H

and in my opinion it was madness....

Worked them on 3 bands, Thought it was great.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12216. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 13:52:12 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12216

I dont control what is on the list ! I just offered my opinion thats all.

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 1:26 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

A lot of places are more dangerous for various reasons. Yemen. Peter I Island. Annobon Island. Certain of the Spratley Islands.

People went to all of these and most came back safely, except for one operation to the Spratleys. Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 6:44 PM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

NO,

because it was DANGEROUS and stupid to basically build a Pallet on top of a ROCK in the middle of the ocean, thats taking things a little to far ! this is a hobby its NOT life or death ! to risk lives for DXCC glory is a WASTE.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

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BS7H,..... the Dxpedition that Never should have been !

IMO !

Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 7O on CW and I was too dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should have worked it. I don't think 7O ought to be deleted, either. It gives me something to look forward to.

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73, Paul VE1DX

12217. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 14:07:29 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12136 Message: 12217

When we start arguing the relative risks of each Dx-pedition, we may find there are many, probably most of the top 100 or so that would have to be deleted as too life threatening. Every time I sit down in my shack, I'm just inches from sudden death (high voltage in the RF Amp). Most DX-peditions have life risks ranging from electrocution to weather. Managing life risks is one key to a successful operation.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 7:01 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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then IT shouldnt be on the list either.

this is a Hobby not intended to be life threatening.

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----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:54 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Right now going to T5/6O is probably more dangerous than BS7H but it is still on the list.

73s John AA5JG

Matthew 28:20

--- On Fri, 12/18/09, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

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12218. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 15:05:06 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12218

Walvis Bay and the Penguin Islands weren't on the list for more than a couple of years either.

73s JOhn AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/19/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 6:54 AM

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12219. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 15:05:42 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12219

I thing SMOM is actually an independent country.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/19/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 6:58 AM

Hong Kong, S.M.O.M. and Macao. Maybe even Mt. Athos. What about Jersey and Guernsey?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
>
> Has anyone analyzed the current DXCC list to determine how many entities would be on it if every entity had to meet the current DXCC guidelines? A few I can see dropping off would be 4U1UN, 4U1ITU, KP5, GM, GW, EA6, IS, TK
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On Fri, 12/18/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 7:47 PM
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> I could not disagree more.Â As has been pointed out, the DXCC criteria allowed for the creation of Scarborough Reef as a "country" at the time it was added.Â It became the same kind of challenge to us hams as did Kilimanjaro or Mt. Everest to mountain climbers or Antarctica or the floor of the Pacific Ocean to explorers.
> Â
> After experiencing an extremely dangerous evacuation from St. Paul Island in 1988 and then again a somewhat dangerous but less traumatic departure from Sable Island the following year, I never once suggested that either be deleted.Â And while neither would fit today's criteria, both still count for DXCC.Â

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> Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer chances.
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> I'd go back to St. Paul or Sable in a flash.Â You couldn't pay me to step across the border in to Afghanistan.
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> Okino Tori-shima was a political error.Â Steps were immediately taken to see that would never happen again.Â
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12220. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 15:49:18 UTC
From: Tim / NOØC
Topic: 12136 Message: 12220

Not sure about Penguin but Walvis Bay from the ARRL DXCC website:

"Only contacts made from September 1, 1977, to February 28, 1994, count for this entity."

That's more than a couple years.

73ZZZZZ

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Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 9:05 AM
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12221. Re: RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 16:01:29 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12221

I got one QSO with the recent Conway operation - on 15 SSB. I worked an
earlier operation there but didn't manage any SSB QSO's then.

I tried to work 3D20CR on 40 and 30 CW with no luck. I didn't spend numerous
hours at it because, as I noted, I worked an earlier operation.
TX5SPA had a lot stronger signal here and was easier to work.

73, Zack W9SZ

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> >
> > Hi Al,
> >
> > I will trade you my P5 for a BS7H. I guess they will never go back to the
> > rock reef.
> >
> > I had #1 until they approved the BS7H.
> >
> > 73,
> > Jim, K4TXJ
> > Louisville, Ky.
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> > From: Alan Leith
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> > Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 1:06 PM
> > Subject: [Norton AntiSpam] RE: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> >
> > Thanks!! I might add that my overall total on the current list is 337.
> > I'm missing only PeeeeeFive for mixed #1 HR.
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> > 73
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> > Al, VE1AL
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> > Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 1:49 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.
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> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] BRAG :-)
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> > Wow, cool. Congrats!
> >
> > I need to send for cards for FT5GA. Also, after trying to get cards from
> > 4O1A unsuccessfully, I worked 4O3A in CQWW. He has a US manager. That
> will
> > give me everything I've worked confirmed, at 332 current countries
> > confirmed for Mixed DXCC.
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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> > wrote:
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> > Since there are only two other local DXers to whom I can brag, I simply
> > have to tell everyone (whether they care or not) that the arrival today
> of
> > a QSL from FO/F6CTL (Marquesas) for SSB and a card two weeks ago from
> 4W6AL
> > (note the similarity in our calls!!!) for CW have given me all the
> > countries I have worked on SSB and CW confirmed. So I now have 335
> > confirmations on SSB and 334 confirmed on CW.
> >
> > I'm really pleased with myself!
> >
> > 73
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> > Al, VE1AL
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12222. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 16:19:25 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12222

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 16:22:17 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12223

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> > Â because it wasÂ DANGEROUS and stupid toÂ basically build a Pallet on
> top of a ROCK in the middle of the ocean, thats taking things a little to
> far !Â Â this is a hobby its NOT life or death !Â to risk lives forÂ DXCC
> glory isÂ a WASTE.
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12224. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 16:26:21 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12224

How many people have died trying to climb Mt. Everest? I heard a radio show on that very subject about a year ago. One of the saddest things I've ever heard.

How many people die doing stunt flying as a hobby? I've known several people who successfully did it and one who didn't.

There are quite a few hobbies that are far more dangerous than going to Scarborough Reef.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 16:47:27 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12225

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Date: 2009-12-19 17:05:22 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12226

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Date: 2009-12-19 17:58:09 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12227

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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 9:01 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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12228. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:27:55 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12228

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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7/8 heliax.

Mike

12229. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:34:37 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12136 Message: 12229

At the price, it's quite a few $$/dB !! Too bad, looks like a nice
antenna (except they don't show a picture of it).

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: w5uc@...
> Date: Sat, 19 Dec 2009 12:27:55 -0600
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> Mike
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12230. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:35:34 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12136 Message: 12230

" Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?"

NO NO NO!!! I have not submitted my card yet for YV0 !

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:26:49 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

A lot of places are more dangerous for various reasons. Yemen. Peter I Island. Annobon Island. Certain of the Spratley Islands.

People went to all of these and most came back safely, except for one operation to the Spratleys. Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 6:44 PM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW < joeyw5tfw@... > wrote:

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Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

Ah !

 BS7H,..... the Dxpedition that Never should have been !

IMO !

    Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 7O on CW and I was too dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should have worked it. I don't think 7O ought to be

deleted, either. It gives me something to look forward to.

BS7H met the DXCC rules when it was added. It doesn't now, but countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to exist for political reasons. If they met the size/distance criteria when they were added, they are there for the long haul.

73, Paul VE1DX

12231. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:43:01 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12136 Message: 12231

Ya but...../MM and /AM don't count anyway. And those who climb mountians? That's not DX, just a bounch of mis-guided...fill in the space :)

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 7:50:06 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Then those guys who just went to Conway Reef should have that one deleted as well. After all, if anything happened to either one of them, they were hundreds of miles away from any medical attention.

Oh, and we should stop people from climbing mountains while we're at it.

What about airplanes? They crash too, don't they.

What about......

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com , "Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW" <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: John Geiger
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:54 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> Right now going to T5/6O is probably more dangerous than BS7H but it is still on the list.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> Matthew 28:20
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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12232. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:48:51 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12232

I was very fortunate,.....

a member of the 6 Club, put it up for sale 30 days after he bought it.
I paid 400.00 dollars for it.

:-) Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 12:34 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

At the price, it's quite a few $$/dB !! Too bad, looks like a nice
antenna (except they don't show a picture of it).

73, Dick, W1KSZ

> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> From: w5uc@suddenlink.net
> Date: Sat, 19 Dec 2009 12:27:55 -0600
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12233. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:52:07 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12233

Mike,

Boom Wind Frequency Gain Net F/B VSWR Turning Wt. Mast Length Load in Mhz @74' Gain Ratio (max) Radius Torque

30.0' D50 3.4 49.500-50.700 18.5dBi 10.6dBd 25 <1.5:1 (1 MHz) 15.8' 42# <310in/lb

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 12:27 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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Mike

12234. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:58:36 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12234

I worked XE2WWW last night on 160. He sure puts in a good signal on all bands.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/19/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail.com> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 11:05 AM

That was one of my very first VHF contests and I only had 144 MHz with a cobbled-together transverter back then. I'm amazed I worked anyone with it.
:-)

I know they've been active on 6m but I was never near a rig at the time. Oh well, one of these days ...

In the June contest this year I did work XE2WWW (anyone who didn't work them wasn't calling them), J39BS and P43A on 6 meters. This was with about 10 watts and a very small 3 element beam.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Dec 19, 2009 at 10:47 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@yahoo. com> wrote:

I worked 4U1UN on 6m in the June 1992 VHF contest, but never got a QSL out of them. I don't have my log for that contest, so guess I will need to work them again.

73s JOhn AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/19/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail. com> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail. com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 10:22 AM

If you can call a villa a "country," yes. Actually my understanding is that the Order owns several extraterritorial villas in Rome but only one is used for DXpeditions. I think it's the one where the entrance pathway neatly frames St. Peter's Basilica when you look through the keyhole at the gate (evidently a somewhat popular thing to do). But they swear allegiance only to the Pope. They ARE considered a separate entity to Italy, as the Vatican is.

I guess the closest thing to SMOM is 4U1ITU and 4U1UN. Also just buildings with "country" status. I keep hoping to be able to work 4U1UN on 6 meters, but they haven't been active during a big 6m opening that I've been around for.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Dec 19, 2009 at 9:05 AM, John Geiger <aa5jg@yahoo. com> wrote:

I thing SMOM is actually an independent country.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/19/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@comcast. net> wrote:

From: aburkefl <aburkefl@comcast. net>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 6:58 AM

Hong Kong, S.M.O.M. and Macao. Maybe even Mt. Athos. What about Jersey and Guernsey?

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
>
> Has anyone analyzed the current DXCC list to determine how many entities would be on it if every entity had to meet the current DXCC guidelines? A few I can see dropping off would be 4U1UN, 4U1ITU, KP5, GM, GW, EA6, IS, TK
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On Fri, 12/18/09, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> From: Alan Leith <aleith@...>
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 7:47 PM
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> I could not disagree more.Â As has been pointed out, the DXCC criteria allowed for the creation of Scarborough Reef as a "country" at the time it was added.Â It became the same kind of challenge to us hams as did Kilimanjaro or Mt. Everest to mountain climbers or Antarctica or the floor of the Pacific Ocean to explorers..
> Â
> After experiencing an extremely dangerous evacuation from St. Paul Island in 1988 and then again a somewhat dangerous but less traumatic departure from Sable Island the following year, I never once suggested that either be deleted.Â And while neither would fit today's criteria, both still count for DXCC.Â
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12235. Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 18:58:25 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 12136 Message: 12235

Alan

Congratulations!!!!!

I was just putting my ARRL submittal together for next week and came to realize how hard it is going to be to get those last few that are never on. Maybe if the other thread in this reflector gains some traction we will reduce the DXCC list to only a few major countries with nearly medical facilities. Then it will be easy.

Present standing here as of just under 6 years on HF at the bottom of cycle 24 is 301 mixed confirmed made up of 282 confirmed RTTY and 258 confirmed Phone (281 worked) No CW new ones.

Considering I am only missing 36 in that time, and a few of them have been on (just couldn't get them in the log), it has been quite a good few years for DX.

73 Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
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> confirmations on SSB and 334 confirmed on CW.
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> I'm really pleased with myself!
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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12236. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 19:17:53 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12236

They really start to get hard to work above 300. I think I worked my first 100 countries in about 4 months (mind you, this was almost exclusively on 40 CW with no packet, no internet and no newsletters at the time), then it took a year or so to work the next 100 and a few years for the next 100. Over the last few years I've gotten maybe 5 new ones a year.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Dec 19, 2009 at 12:58 PM, Bob <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

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12237. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 17:27:17 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12237

How about Kingman Reef and Palmyra Island. When K6LPL, WA2FIJ and crew landed on Palmyra their plane crashed [pix on QSL card], other than Jan (forgot call) who was flown off and later sued, they all continued to set up and WA2FIJ went on to Kingman, which has barely enuf room to walk around on. Maybe these two entities should be deleted too so no one else can possibly crash on landing...

Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 8:19 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

> CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M wrote:
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>> When we start arguing the relative risks of each Dx-pedition, we may
>> find there are many, probably most of the top 100 or so that would
>> have to be deleted as too life threatening. Every time I sit down in
>> my shack, I'm just inches from sudden death (high voltage in the RF
>> Amp). Most DX-peditions have life risks ranging from electrocution to
>> weather. Managing life risks is one key to a successful operation.
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>> 73,
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>> Gary - AB9M
> Gary is right!
> If, If, If.......If a frog had wings & could fly he wouldn't bump his
> A-- when he jumps, but he jumps anyway. Nowhere in the DXCC rules do I
> see anything that says IF an operation(DX-Pedition) is too dangerous,
> then it does not qualify as a new entity. Who are we, as armchair
> Expeditioners, to tell anyone what they should or should not do with
> their personal time? It isn't for us to say what level of risk an
> individual exercises in pursuit of an activity. I think people who jump
> out of airplanes had tall of the cheese fall off of their crackers, but
> it's THEIR crackers.
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> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
> *If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
> You are about to receive your bounty.*
> http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
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12238. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:13:13 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12238

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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> Mike,
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> *Boom Wind Frequency Gain Net
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> 25 <1.5:1 (1 MHz) 15.8' 42# <310in/lb
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I guess I'm getting old, but I'm having trouble understanding that data. Are they saying the gain is 18.5 dBi, and the net gain is 10.6 dbd? In my old fashioned way of thinking, if the gain is 18.5 dBi, then the gain over a dipole should be 16.36 dBd (18.5 - 2.14). So, I don't understand the 10.6 dBd figure. I sure would like to model that antenna in EZ-Nec.

OK, looking at their web site, it appears that they are doing a little hocus-pocus with the gain figure. That 18.5 dBi gain figure looked very high to me, and it appears that they are including ground gain in that figure, whereas I am accustomed to quoting gain in free space. Using their method of stating gain, my 6 element antenna has a gain of 17.39 dBi as calculated by EZ-Nec at the same 74' height. I still don't understand the 10.6 dbd figure.

73,
Mike

12239. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:20:10 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12239

lmao !

Thats why I sent it to you, I didnt get that either !

however for 400.00 dollars I can tell you that antennas hears very well,
I am happy as a lark,..... but the antenna match system they give you isnt the one they actually use either !

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:13 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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12240. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:23:26 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12240

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12241. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:25:37 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12136 Message: 12241

$400 ??
The listed price was $840.

Such a deal ...

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: joeyw5tfw@...
Date: Sat, 19 Dec 2009 14:20:10 -0600
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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12242. RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:30:31 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12136 Message: 12242

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The Coast Guard had to get them off the island, and, IIRC, billed them
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Otherwise, it was a pretty normal (if you can call living on a Coral
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12243. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:29:46 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12243

it was 30 days old,......

the guys wife,.......

----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:25 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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12244. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:31:08 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12244

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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YOU BET!!! That's a helluva deal. My problem is that I get too much
pleasure & fun out of designing & building my own, and EZ-Nec has turned
out to be very accurate in it's calculations.

Mike

12245. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:35:59 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12245

I am not mobile enough to do that anymore !

but I still have fun chasing DX.

my latest project is a 6 meter amp with 3 4cx350's in it. If I dont kill my self It should be fun !

Joey
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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12246. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:40:00 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12246

LOL, that's exactly what they are doing. Their gain above ground at 74' is 18.5 dBi. My gain at that same height is 17.39 dBi, a difference of 1.11 dB.

That mysterious gain figure is 10.6 dBd. My gain in free space is 9.5 dbd. Again a difference of 1.11 dB.

You gotta watch them every minute of every day.
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> OK, as I think about it, that 10.6 dBd figure may be the free space
> gain. Just a bit more hocus-pocus, aka slight of hand.
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73,
Mike, W5UC

12247. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:42:24 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12247

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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> Joey
You will enjoy the power. This past summer I rarely called more than
once or twice in a pile-up on 6 meters. Sic-em tiger!!

Mike

12248. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:58:03 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12248

Dale - it won't matter when you submit the card as long as you've got proof you worked YVØ during its acceptance years.

Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 10:35 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

" Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?"

NO NO NO!!! I have not submitted my card yet for YV0 !

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:26:49 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

A lot of places are more dangerous for various reasons. Yemen. Peter I Island. Annobon Island. Certain of the Spratley Islands.

People went to all of these and most came back safely, except for one operation to the Spratleys. Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 6:44 PM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

NO,

because it was DANGEROUS and stupid to basically build a Pallet on top of a ROCK in the middle of the ocean, thats taking things a little to far ! this is a hobby its NOT life or death ! to risk lives for DXCC glory is a WASTE.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

Ah !

BS7H,..... the Dxpedition that Never should have been !

IMO !

Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 7O on CW and I was too dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should have worked it. I don't think 7O ought to be deleted, either. It gives me something to look forward to.

BS7H met the DXCC rules when it was added. It doesn't now, but countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to exist for political reasons. If they met the size/distance criteria when they were added, they are there for the long haul.

73, Paul VE1DX

12249. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 20:55:47 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12249

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Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob" <kb1jzu@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 10:58 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

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12250. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 21:04:14 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12250

Dick, K6LPL, Dave Gardner was the surgeon who cut his hand and put an end to his surgery days. No need to explain how he cut his hand. I knew Dave as he was a fellow club member of the Southern California DX Club.

Rene - SCDXC member 30 years
----- Original Message -----
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
To: DX List - New
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 12:30 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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12251. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:02:44 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12251

Or chasing submarines, lighthouses, RVs in Wal-Mart parking lots...

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/19/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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12252. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:05:40 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12252

I don't get that. The dBd gain is generally about 3 dB lower than the dBi gain, plus or minus some. How can it be about 8 dB different?

73, Zack W9SZ

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12253. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:07:44 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12253

VUCC on the various bands is a lot of fun, too. Just don't try 47 GHz to start out with ...
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

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12254. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:08:26 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12254

The DBi is theoretically done in free space, where the DBd might be adding ground gain as well. That is why DBd figures are often cited at a certain height for the antenna.

73s John AA5JG

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 4:05 PM

I don't get that. The dBd gain is generally about 3 dB lower than the dBi gain, plus or minus some. How can it be about 8 dB different?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Dec 19, 2009 at 2:40 PM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <w5uc@suddenlink.. net> wrote:

LOL, that's exactly what they are doing. Their gain above ground at 74'
is 18.5 dBi. My gain at that same height is 17.39 dBi, a difference of
1.11 dB.

That mysterious gain figure is 10.6 dBd. My gain in free space is 9.5
dbd. Again a difference of 1.11 dB.

You gotta watch them every minute of every day.

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> OK, as I think about it, that 10.6 dBd figure may be the free space
> gain. Just a bit more hocus-pocus, aka slight of hand.
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73,
Mike, W5UC

12255. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:10:33 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12255

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12256. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12256

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 19 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 353 Issued at 2200Z on 19 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 18/2100Z
to 19/2100Z: Solar activity was low by virtue of a single C2.9/Sf at
10/0014Z from Region 1035 (N30W56). Since this event, only B-class
x-ray activity, with some weak, low frequency radio emissions have
been observed from this region. Over the past 24 hours, the region
decayed, both in areal coverage and spot number, but retained its
beta magnetic configuration. Two new regions were numbered this
period. Region 1036 (S29W19) emerged on the disk as a 3-spot beta
group, while Region 1037 (N18E54) rotated onto the disk as a 2-spot
beta group. Both regions have been quiet and stable.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low
for the next three days. There is a slight chance for an isolated
M-class event from Region 1035.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 18/2100Z to 19/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field has been quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet to unsettled with a chance for isolated active
periods on day one (20 December). This activity is in response to
the expected arrival of the CME observed on 16 December. Days two
and three (21 - 22 December) will see mostly quiet conditions.
III. Event Probabilities 20 Dec-22 Dec
Class M 10/10/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 19 Dec 082
Predicted 20 Dec-22 Dec 082/082/080
90 Day Mean 19 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 18 Dec 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 19 Dec 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 20 Dec-22 Dec 015/015-007/008-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 20 Dec-22 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 45/15/05
Minor storm 15/05/01
Major-severe storm 05/01/01
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12257. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:36:03 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12136 Message: 12257

I agree with you.....but I don't want an * by it, like my KZ5. When that one was accepted was before field checking and youi had to mail them in. Sweat bullits I did....as that one could never be replaced. At least Ducie could.

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 3:58:03 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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Dale - it won't matter when you submit the card as long as you've got proof you worked YVØ during its acceptance years.

Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 10:35 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

" Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?"

NO NO NO!!! I have not submitted my card yet for YV0 !

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zack Widup" < w9sz.zack@... >
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:26:49 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

A lot of places are more dangerous for various reasons. Yemen. Peter I Island. Annobon Island. Certain of the Spratley Islands.

People went to all of these and most came back safely, except for one operation to the Spratleys. Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7. Should we delete it too?

73, Zack W9SZ

On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 6:44 PM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW < joeyw5tfw@... > wrote:

NO,

because it was DANGEROUS and stupid to basically build a Pallet on top of a ROCK in the middle of the ocean, thats taking things a little to far ! this is a hobby its NOT life or death ! to risk lives for DXCC glory is a WASTE.

Joey

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

Ah !

BS7H,..... the Dxpedition that Never should have been !

IMO !

Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 70 on CW and I was too dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should have worked it. I don't think 70 ought to be deleted, either. It gives me something to look forward to.

BS7H met the DXCC rules when it was added. It doesn't now, but countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to exist for political reasons. If they met the size/distance criteria when they were added, they are there for the long haul.

73, Paul VE1DX

12258. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:46:32 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12258

John,

3 vucc's on 6 meters ? I dont understand.

Joey
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From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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12259. DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:47:17 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12259 Message: 12259

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12260. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 22:51:42 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12259 Message: 12260

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12261. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 23:21:20 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12261

I'm guessing he got VUCC from three different grid squares.

73, Zack W9SZ

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12262. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 23:20:42 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12259 Message: 12262

Yep, sent to the DXCC desk. Thanks, I figured it might take a while to get them back but I didn't figure the outgoing (return) queue would be as long as the submission queue.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
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12263. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 23:24:39 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12136 Message: 12263

Zack Widup wrote:
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12264. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-19 23:49:35 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12264

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12265. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 00:27:09 UTC
From: sgalonski1@aol.com
Topic: 12136 Message: 12265

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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.To:
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 2:55 PM

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To: <_DX-IS@yahoogroups. com_ (http://us.mc451.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=DX-IS@yahoogroups.com) >

Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 10:58 AM
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12266. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 00:47:39 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12266

Wow !

I am going to save this e mail ! I like to learn,.....

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 5:24 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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12267. Force 12 / Cushcraft

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 00:52:24 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12267 Message: 12267

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12268. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 00:53:23 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12268

and I JUST left WAL mart !

O M G !

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From: sgalonski1@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@theunion.net>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 2:55 PM

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12269. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 00:55:01 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12259 Message: 12269

You know,

aside from needing SOME of those cards to resubmit them for VUCC.
I find it silly that I fret over them till they come back then stick them in a box and forget about them......

LMAO.....

----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 5:20 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yep, sent to the DXCC desk. Thanks, I figured it might take a while to get them back but I didn't figure the outgoing (return) queue would be as long as the submission queue.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 4:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

sent to the DXCC desk ? mine were about 2 1/2 months.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 4:47 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Any ideas on the time it takes to get DXCC submission cards back after you receive the DXCC credit for them? I'm still waiting on the cards I received credit for over a month ago.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@us.army.mil

12270. : BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 00:57:19 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12270 Message: 12270

that would make sense,

I was very disappointed to find there are no separate awards for CW or RTTY. not to mention that VUCC isn't covered by LOTW.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 5:21 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

I'm guessing he got VUCC from three different grid squares.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Dec 19, 2009 at 4:46 PM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW <joeyw5tfw@...> wrote:

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John,

3 vucc's on 6 meters ? I dont understand.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 4:10 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Are any other VHFers on the list thinking like me-that the ARRL needs to add a Grid challenge like the DX challenge.. You could add up the grid squares you work on each band, plus the ones from satellites and treat it like the DX challenge is, maybe only starting with 400 or 500 grids. Might be motivation enough to get some to add new bands to their station. VUCC on 432 is interesting. Don't have it yet, about 15 grids short. Have 3 VUCCs on 6m, plus one on 2m and one on the satellites.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Sat, 12/19/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@gmail.com> wrote:

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 4:07 PM

VUCC on the various bands is a lot of fun, too. Just don't try 47 GHz to start out with ... :-)

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12271. Re: [DX-IS] Force 12 / Cushcraft

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:04:59 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12267 Message: 12271

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> *Sent:* Saturday, December 19, 2009 5:49 PM
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12272. Re: [DX-IS] Force 12 / Cushcraft

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:15:04 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12267 Message: 12272

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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Not true Joey. Cushcraft was the original company who caused ARRL to forbid gain statements in their ads. They were notorious for inflating the gain figures of their antennas. The gain figures for the Cushcraft 6 element on a 12 foot boom are inflated and inaccurate. I have modeled that antenna in EZ-Nec, and it doesn't come out to what they claim.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:15:29 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12267 Message: 12273

OH I dont know the numbers off the top of my head but NO,......
the 6 element cushcraft was on a 12 foot boom I think , at any rate it was no where NEAR,...... 30 ft.

Joey
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From: Zack Widup
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

That figures!

The gain of a beam (in free space anyway) is mainly related to the length of the boom. Doing some rough calculations with various computer programs, I see a 30 foot boom at 50 MHz is capable of producing at most a little under 12 dBd of gain (11.7 is the most I can come up with). That would put the dBi gain at about 14 dB at most. Chances are it will be a little less than that.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Sat, Dec 19, 2009 at 5:24 PM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) <w5uc@...> wrote:

Zack Widup wrote:
>
> I don't get that. The dBd gain is generally about 3 dB lower than the
> dBi gain, plus or minus some. How can it be about 8 dB different?
>
> 73, Zack W9SZ

Zack, the actual difference between dbi & dbd is 2.14 db. So, if you want to know the true gain of an antenna, model it in free space and subtract 2.14 db to get the true gain. Now, if the antenna is moved near the earth you start getting ground gain. The closer to earth the higher the ground gain. what Force 12 is doing is playing with the numbers by quoting the gain of the antenna including ground gain, thus making it look better. Instead of calling theirs "gain in free space", they call it "Net Gain". Just another form of hocus pocus, or smoke & mirrors.

Notice that they quote their "Gain" at 18.5 dBi. if we subtract the above 2.14 dB, we get 16.36 dBd, then if we subtract 6 dB for ground gain, we get very close to their "net gain'". Smoke & mirrors any way you slice it. It's BS like this that caused QST to disallow any quoting of gain figures in their ads.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12274. Force 12 / Cushcraft

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:26:58 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12267 Message: 12274

Yes,

I figured as much,

so in reality, I have about a 10 db gain antenna ! well,..... it works so I shall not complain. and,..... I think its Pretty in the air !

:-) HA HA,.....

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 7:15 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Force 12 / Cushcraft

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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>
> OK, Time out!
>
>
> So, let me get this straight in my pain pill soaked head,
> What you guys are saying is that this antenna isnt any better than
> the 6 element cushcraft ? when it comes to DB gain ?
>
> I KNOW this antenna is different on beam path & F to B ratio,
> I can mae people disappear if I want to.
>
> Confussed, Joey
Not true Joey. Cushcraft was the original company who caused ARRL to forbid gain statements in their ads. They were notorious for inflating the gain figures of their antennas. The gain figures for the Cushcraft 6 element on a 12 foot boom are inflated and inaccurate. I have modeled that antenna in EZ-Nec, and it doesn't come out to what they claim.

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12275. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:37:01 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12275

Yes, from EN41, EN51 and EM04

73s John AA5JG

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Rene

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12276. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:35:56 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12259 Message: 12276

Go to the League's website and (don't remember exactly where) you can find where you are and how long it's gonna take...
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:47 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Any ideas on the time it takes to get DXCC submission cards back after you receive the DXCC credit for them? I'm still waiting on the cards I received credit for over a month ago.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
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12277. Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:38:57 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12277

Ahhhhhhh - someone else remembers pre-field checking and, probably, Box 88.
There may be some KZ5's on the air today;-)
KZ5OJ before 9/30/1979 when KZ was deleted;-(
Rene
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From: Dale Cole K8TS
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Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:36 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

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NO NO NO!!! I have not submitted my card yet for YV0 !

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NO,

because it was DANGEROUS and stupid to basically build a Pallet on top of a ROCK in the middle of the ocean, thats taking things a little to far ! this is a hobby its NOT life or death ! to risk lives for DXCC glory is a WASTE.

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:40 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?

At 08:17 PM 12/18/2009, you wrote:

Ah !

BS7H,..... the Dxpedition that Never should have been !

IMO !

Why not? Because it was hard to work? I need 7O on CW and I was too dumb to work the one recently counted after a decade of arguing. I don't think the DXpedition should never have taken place. Rather I think I should have worked it. I don't think 7O ought to be deleted, either. It gives me something to look forward to.

BS7H met the DXCC rules when it was added. It doesn't now, but countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to exist for political reasons. If they met the size/distance criteria when they were added, they are there for the long haul.

73, Paul VE1DX

12278. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:45:21 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12136 Message: 12278

HOLY COW !

thts alot of STAMPS. I moved from EM40 to em41, but its only 50 miles..... I would HATE to have to start over.

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12279. Antenna question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 01:56:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12279 Message: 12279

Has anyone used a Mosley TA-34-XL?

http://www.mosley-electronics.com/spec%20files/amateur/ta34xl.htm

I'm told by sources I consider reliable that Mosley have 10-mile test ranges where they do actual tests on their antennas. The reason given is that they supply a lot of antennas on military contracts, and they must meet specs. Therefore they need to test their military (and commercial) products. It follows they have the same facilities to test their amateur antennas. The reason for this preamble is I *really* like the figures given in dBd as 9.5 (10 metres), 9.1 (15 metres) and 8.2 (20 metres.) I want to believe these to be accurate.

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If these numbers are right, that would be one cracker jack of an antenna. At 68 pounds, I believe I can keep one in the air. Just wondering if there would be a noticeable improvement over a HyGain TH5 (which works well, but I have no idea of the gain figures -- and even if I did have them, would not be able to know how they were derived.)

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12280. Antenna question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 02:02:14 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12279 Message: 12280

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12281. [DX-IS] Antenna question - CORRECTION

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 02:10:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12281 Message: 12281

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12282. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question

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Date: 2009-12-20 02:11:24 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12279 Message: 12282

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Date: 2009-12-20 02:20:35 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12279 Message: 12283

in the 1st week of Dec, we had 3 inches of SNOW here !
at daylight the 1st thing I did was go look at my antennas, HA HA !

they have never seen snow before I wanted to know what it would do to them. (Nothing of course) but it was fun to watch the snow melt off of them. it has snowed here now 2 yrs in a row, last year it was 8 inches., but that one knocked out the power for a couple days, they dont build the grid as strong here as they do up North. (miss).

Joey

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 02:35:45 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12136 Message: 12284

How could you forgot Box 88! Most of those guys would return QSLs, it just took quite a while. Remember when the outgoing QSL bureau was $1 a pound?

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>> 4W6AL
>> (note the similarity in our calls!!!) for CW have given me all the
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>> I'm really pleased with myself!
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Date: 2009-12-20 03:22:35 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
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12288. off subject

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From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12288 Message: 12288

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>> a QSL from FO/F6CTL (Marquesas) for SSB and a card two weeks ago from
>> 4W6AL

>> (note the similarity in our calls!!!) for CW have given me all the
>> countries I have worked on SSB and CW confirmed. So I now have 335
>> confirmations on SSB and 334 confirmed on CW.
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>> I'm really pleased with myself!
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>> Al, VE1AL
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12292. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 03:44:57 UTC
From: earl_needham
Topic: 12136 Message: 12292

What's interesting to me is the number of bureaus TODAY that use "Box 88"! I put +"Box 88" +"QSL" in a search engine and came up with many entries. On the first page, I found Box 88 QSL addresses in Ukraine, Russia, Viet Nam, Kazakhstan, Thailand, and Croatia!

I wonder if Box 88 is available here in Clovis...

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Earl
KD5XB

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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> Box 88?Â I was always afaid the the FBI was watching me!!Â Wonder what it was like on the other end.....getting your mail screened?Â
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> Dale K8TS
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 9:35:45 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> How could you forgot Box 88!Â Most of those guys would return QSLs, it just took quite a while.Â Remember when the outgoing QSL bureau was $1 a pound?
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On Sat, 12/19/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:
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> From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 7:38 PM

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> Ahhhhhhh - someone else remembers pre-field checking and, probably, Box 88.
> There may be some KZ5's on the air today;-)
> KZ5OJ before 9/30/1979 when KZ was deleted;-(
> Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Dale Cole K8TS
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:36 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> I agree with you.....but I don't want an * by it, like my KZ5.Â When that one was acceptedÂ was before field checking and youi had to mail them in.Â Sweat bullits I did....as that one could never be replaced.Â At least Ducie could.
> Dale K8TS
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" < tagteam@theunion. net >
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 3:58:03 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> Dale - it won't matter when you submit the card as long as you've got proof you worked YVÃ□ during its acceptance years.
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> Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Dale Cole K8TS
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 10:35 AM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> "Â Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7.Â Should we delete it too?"
> NO NO NO!!!Â I have not submitted my card yet for YV0 !
> Dale K8TS
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Zack Widup" < w9sz.zack@gmail. com >
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:26:49 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> Subject: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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12293. Re: [DX-IS] off subject

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 03:58:34 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12288 Message: 12293

At 11:27 PM 12/19/2009, you wrote:

>Hey Al, Paul;
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>You guys getting any of that white "radiation" yet?
>
>Dale K8TS

Nope (not as of midnight local.) Doesn't look too
bad. Forecast for Halifax is (all units are metric):

Tonight
Cloudy periods. Wind becoming northeast 20 km/h overnight. Low minus 10.

Sunday
Increasing cloudiness. Snow mixed with ice pellets beginning in
the afternoon. Local blowing snow in the afternoon. Wind northeast 20
km/h increasing to 40 gusting to 60 near noon. High minus 2.

Sunday night
Snow and blowing snow. Amount 10 to 15 cm. Wind northeast 40
km/h gusting to 60 becoming northwest 30 gusting to 50 near midnight.
Temperature rising to zero by morning.

Monday
Flurries and rain showers. High plus 2.

73, Paul VE1DX

12294. RE: [DX-IS] off subject

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 07:09:59 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12288 Message: 12294

I just came in from a 20 mile drive, Dale, and there wasn't a flake of snow to be seen. From the forecast, I think the Halifax area will get more from the storm than we here on Cape Breton Island. But I'll let you know for sure late tomorrow :-) .

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale Cole K8TS
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 11:28 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] off subject

Hey Al, Paul;

You guys getting any of that white "radiation" yet?

Dale K8TS

12295. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 14:54:22 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12259 Message: 12295

I've received the credit (342/336) for my submission to the DXCC Desk. I'm just waiting for the cards to come back. Fortunately most of the dozen cards are duplicates or one of several mode/band cards from DX-peditions. Still I'd like to get them back.

Gary

From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 7:35 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Go to the League's website and (don't remember exactly where) you can find where you are and how long it's gonna take...
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:47 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Any ideas on the time it takes to get DXCC submission cards back after you receive the DXCC credit for them? I'm still waiting on the cards I received credit for over a month ago.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Rd
Bloomington, IL 61705
(309-662-0604)
www.csm-gh.com
glhuber@...
gary.huber@...

12296. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 15:15:02 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12279 Message: 12296

Re: the TH-5....

My TH-7 has been in the air here in the wind and ice of the mid-west for over twenty years...
see http://www.csm-gh.com/AB9M-TH-7.htm

then see http://www.csm-gh.com/ac9s-skyhawk-1.htm and the other AC9S antennas for pictures of ice and wind failures..

Antennas with long booms which come down in the winter are not as good as one with less gain which survives and plays when you need it.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 8:11 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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At 10:02 PM 12/19/2009, you wrote:

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I also have a CL-36 and I love it also, thats why I bought the 2nd one !

Joey

Well, you don't have to sell me on Mosley, Joey. I have the TW-33-XL (the 3 element version of the TW-34-XL you have) as well as a 5-element 6M Mosley monobander stacked above it. They are built like tanks and will outlast me. Look at my photo on QRZ standing on the boom of it . . . I wouldn't do that if I didn't think it was extremely well built! :-)

The thing is, I'd like to have something a bit more rugged than the TH5, and I like the advertised gain on the TA-34-XL . . . but those numbers seems too good to be true. I'd hate to replace the TH5 with the TA-340XL and find little to no difference in gain. The TH5 honks. The only thing I'm looking for is equal (or better) electrical performance and a more rugged antenna for our wind and ice storms. I know the Mosley will take anything nature will throw at it.

73, Paul VE1DX

12297. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 15:27:59 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12279 Message: 12297

WOW !

thats COLD !

I am Glad I live in the south where it only snows 1 or 2 times a year !

Joey
----- Original Message -----
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 9:15 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question

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73, Paul VE1DX

12298. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 16:46:42 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12279 Message: 12298

Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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> WOW !
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> thats COLD !
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> I am Glad I live in the south where it only snows 1 or 2 times a year !
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> Joey
Joey, how far north do you live in MS? Here in East TX we get just a dusting of snow every 4 or 5 years. This may be an exceptional winter as we have already had just enough snow to see it falling, but it didn't stick. Snow here usually comes in Jan or Feb.

73,
Mike, W5UC
*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
You are about to receive your bounty.*
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12299. K7K QSL from 1997

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 17:28:09 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12299 Message: 12299

I have a friend who is "Reflector challenged." He sent me the following request this AM. I can't find anything, so I'm hoping some of the gang here either has a K7K card from 1997 with info on it, or knows one of the operators or the manager. Here's the info I was given:

"The only ones I really need are of the K7K variety. I've emailed AH0W but can't email the qsl mgr, KE7LZ. No published email address for him. There's a blurb on the internet that KE7LZ moved to Japan a few years back. He appears to be in the Air Force. KE7LZ was the qsl mgr for K7K. AH0W was one of if not the leader of the dxpedition. Could you put out a query on one of the dx reflectors inquiring about qsls for the K7K operation and how one might acquire same? By the way, the operation took place in late September/early October in 1997. Thanks!"

73, Paul VE1DX

12300. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 17:24:32 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12300

The Sovereign Military Order of Malta (S.M.O.M.) is in a building in Rome! They have nothing to do with the country of Malta.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John Geiger <aa5jg@...> wrote:
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> I thing SMOM is actually an independent country.
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> 73s John AA5JG
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> --- On Sat, 12/19/09, aburkefl <aburkefl@...> wrote:
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> From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 6:58 AM
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> Hong Kong, S.M.O.M. and Macao. Maybe even Mt. Athos. What about Jersey and Guernsey?
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups. com, John Geiger <aa5jg@> wrote:
> >
> > Has anyone analyzed the current DXCC list to determine how many entities would be on it if every entity had to meet the current DXCC guidelines? A few I can see dropping off would be 4U1UN, 4U1ITU, KP5, GM, GW, EA6, IS, TK
> > ÃÂ
> > 73s John AA5JG
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> > --- On Fri, 12/18/09, Alan Leith <aleith@> wrote:
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> > From: Alan Leith <aleith@>
> > Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Date: Friday, December 18, 2009, 7:47 PM
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> > I could not disagree more.Ã□Â As has been pointed out, the DXCC criteria allowed for the creation of Scarborough Reef as a "country" at the time it was added.Ã□Â It became the same kind of challenge to us hams as did Kilimanjaro or Mt. Everest to mountain climbers or Antarctica or the floor of the Pacific Ocean to explorers.
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> > After experiencing an extremely dangerous evacuation from St. Paul Island in 1988 and then again a somewhat dangerous but less traumatic departure from Sable Island the following year, I never once suggested that either be deleted.Ã□Â And while neither would fit today's criteria, both still count for DXCC.Ã□Â
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> > Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer chances.
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> > I'd go back to St. Paul or Sable in a flash.Ã□Â You couldn't pay me to step across the border in to Afghanistan.
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> > Okino Tori-shima was a political error.Ã□Â Steps were immediately taken to see that would never happen again.Ã□Â
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> > From: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com [mailto:DX-IS@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
> > Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 9:01 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> > this is a Hobby notÃ□Â intended to be life threatening.
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> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 6:54 PM
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> > Right now going to T5/6O is probably more dangerous than BS7H but it is still on the list.
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> > 73s John AA5JG
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> > Matthew 28:20
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> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
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12301. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 17:27:09 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12301

For quite some time Aves Island was a very large sand bar with a building and a pier. Now the sandbar is much smaller and most of the pier (if not all) is gone. It's probably now much smaller than Clipperton Island.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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12302. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 17:56:02 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12279 Message: 12302

I live SOUTH of MCcomb miss,

last year we had 8 inches, this year 3,

Global warming ! ha ha ha !

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 10:46 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question

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12303. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 17:58:49 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12303

Getting into Palmyra by boat is no picnic either!

The award for the "trip that went wrong" probably belongs to the guys back in the early 80s who activated Palmyra and Kingman Reef. At that time, Palmyra was privately owned (it has since become Federal property and has become one of those "preserve/reserve" areas - consequently it became more active). The guy wrote to the owner, requesting permission to be there and operate. When he departed, he had not yet received written permission to operate from Palmyra. The first part of the trip was to Kingman and then to Palmyra, assuming he would have the documentation in order when he got back.

Alas, Murphy reared his ugly head and the permission to be on Palmyra had never been granted. So, although they were there, and there with good/honest intentions, that particular operation never did count. Fortunately, the operation on Kingman Reef was legit and accepted with no probs by the DXCC desk.

That Palmyra operation (AD0S?) was my first disappointing "reject" from the DXCC desk.

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...> wrote:
>
> How about Kingman Reef and Palmyra Island. When K6LPL, WA2FIJ and crew
> landed on Palmyra their plane crashed [pix on QSL card], other than Jan
> (forgot call) who was flown off and later sued, they all continued to set up
> and WA2FIJ went on to Kingman, which has barely enuf room to walk around on.
> Maybe these two entities should be deleted too so no one else can possibly
> crash on landing...
>
> Rene
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 8:19 AM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> > CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M wrote:
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> >>
> >> When we start arguing the relative risks of each Dx-pedition, we may
> >> find there are many, probably most of the top 100 or so that would
> >> have to be deleted as too life threatening. Every time I sit down in
> >> my shack, I'm just inches from sudden death (high voltage in the RF
> >> Amp). Most DX-peditions have life risks ranging from electrocution to
> >> weather. Managing life risks is one key to a successful operation.

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> >> 73,
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> >> Gary - AB9M
> > Gary is right!
> > If, If, If.......If a frog had wings & could fly he wouldn't bump his
> > A-- when he jumps, but he jumps anyway. Nowhere in the DXCC rules do I
> > see anything that says IF an operation(DX-Pedition) is too dangerous,
> > then it does not qualify as a new entity. Who are we, as armchair
> > Expeditioners, to tell anyone what they should or should not do with
> > their personal time? It isn't for us to say what level of risk an
> > individual exercises in pursuit of an activity. I think people who jump
> > out of airplanes had tall of the cheese fall off of their crackers, but
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12304. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 17:59:58 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12304

Yeah, I'm still looking for the guys at the hamfest who sell Isotropic antennas!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...> wrote:
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> Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW wrote:
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> > Mike,
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> >
> > *Boom Wind Frequency Gain Net
> > F/B VSWR Turning Wt. Mast Length
> > Load in Mhz @74' Gain Ratio
> > (max) Radius Torque*
> >
> > 30.0' /D50 / 3.4 49.500-50.700 18.5dBi 10.6dBd
> > 25 <1.5:1 (1 MHz) 15.8' 42# <310in/lb
> >
> OK, as I think about it, that 10.6 dBd figure may be the free space
> gain. Just a bit more hocus-pocus, aka slight of hand.
>
> Mike
>

12305. Re: Antenna question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 18:09:25 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12279 Message: 12305

Oh no! That's contrary to the great amateur maxim: "If it doesn't fall down during the winter, it wasn't big enough!"

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "CSM\(r\) Gary Huber - AB9M" <glhuber@...> wrote:
>
> Re: the TH-5....
>
> My TH-7 has been in the air here in the wind and ice of the mid-west for over twenty years...
> see http://www.csm-gh.com/AB9M-TH-7.htm
>
> then see http://www.csm-gh.com/ac9s-skyhawk-1.htm and the other AC9S antennas for pictures of ice and wind failures..
>
> Antennas with long booms which come down in the winter are not as good as one with less gain which survives and plays when you need it.
>
> 73,
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> Gary - AB9M
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> From: Paul M Dunphy
> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 8:11 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Antenna question
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> At 10:02 PM 12/19/2009, you wrote:
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> TA ? no I have the TW-34-XL & I love it !
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> I also have a CL-36 and I love it also, thats why I bought the 2nd one !
>
> Joey
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>
> Well, you don't have to sell me on Mosley, Joey. I have the TW-33-XL (the 3 element version of the TW-34-XL you have) as well as a 5-element 6M Mosley monobander stacked above

it. They are built like tanks and will outlast me. Look at my photo on QRZ standing on the boom of it . . . I wouldn't do that if I didn't think it was extremely well built! :-)
>
> The thing is, I'd like to have something a bit more rugged than the TH5, and I like the advertised gain on the TA-34-XL . . . but those numbers seems too good to be true. I'd hate to replace the TH5 with the TA-340XL and find little to no difference in gain. The TH5 honks. The only thing I'm looking for is equal (or better) electrical performance and a more rugged antenna for our wind and ice storms. I know the Mosley will take anything nature will throw at it.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

12306. Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 18:07:38 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12136 Message: 12306

I thought all the QSLs there went to Box 51!

Art - N4PJ

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "earl_needham" <earl.kd5xb@...> wrote:
>
> What's interesting to me is the number of bureaus TODAY that use "Box 88"! I put +"Box 88" +"QSL" in a search engine and came up with many entries. On the first page, I found Box 88 QSL addresses in Ukraine, Russia, Viet Nam, Kazakhstan, Thailand, and Croatia!
>
> I wonder if Box 88 is available here in Clovis...
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> 7 3
> Earl
> KD5XB
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@> wrote:
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> >
> > Box 88?Â I was always afaid the the FBI was watching me!!Â Wonder what it was like on the other end.....getting your mail screened?Â
> >
> > Dale K8TS
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> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "John Geiger" <aa5jg@>
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 9:35:45 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> >
> > How could you forgot Box 88!Â Most of those guys would return QSLs, it just took quite a while.Â Remember when the outgoing QSL bureau was $1 a pound?
> >
> > 73s John AA5JG
> >
> > --- On Sat, 12/19/09, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@> wrote:

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> > From: WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@>
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Date: Saturday, December 19, 2009, 7:38 PM
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> > Ahhhhhhh - someone else remembers pre-field checking and, probably, Box 88.
> > There may be some KZ5's on the air today;-)
> > KZ5OJ before 9/30/1979 when KZ was deleted;-(
> > Rene
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Dale Cole K8TS
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:36 PM
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> > I agree with you.....but I don't want an * by it, like my KZ5.Â When that one was acceptedÂ was before field checking and youi had to mail them in.Â Sweat bullits I did....as that one could never be replaced.Â At least Ducie could.
> > Dale K8TS
> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" < tagteam@theunion. net >
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 3:58:03 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> > Dale - it won't matter when you submit the card as long as you've got proof you worked YVÃ□ during its acceptance years.
> >
> > Rene
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> > ----- Original Message -----

> > From: Dale Cole K8TS
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 10:35 AM
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> > "Â Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7.Â Should we delete it too?"
> > NO NO NO!!!Â I have not submitted my card yet for YV0 !
> > Dale K8TS
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Zack Widup" < w9sz.zack@gmail. com >
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
> > Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:26:49 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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> > A lot of places are more dangerous for various reasons. Yemen. Peter I Island. Annobon Island. Certain of the Spratley Islands.
> >
> > People went to all of these and most came back safely, except for one operation to the Spratleys. Aves Island was seriously diminished in size by a hurricane. There may not be much more left of it than BS7.Â Should we delete it too?
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> > 73, Zack W9SZ
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> > On Fri, Dec 18, 2009 at 6:44 PM, Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW < joeyw5tfw@gmail. com > wrote:
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12307. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 18:28:39 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12136 Message: 12307

Hmmmmm - 'early 80's' - ok.
I worked K6LPL/KH5 on January 6, 1980 and WA2FIJ/KH5K on January 9, 1980 and both were accepted by the League.

Rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "aburkefl" <aburkefl@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 9:58 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

> Getting into Palmyra by boat is no picnic either!
>
> The award for the "trip that went wrong" probably belongs to the guys back
> in the early 80s who activated Palmyra and Kingman Reef. At that time,
> Palmyra was privately owned (it has since become Federal property and has
> become one of those "preserve/reserve" areas - consequently it became more
> active). The guy wrote to the owner, requesting permission to be there and
> operate. When he departed, he had not yet received written permission to
> operate from Palmyra. The first part of the trip was to Kingman and then
> to Palmyra, assuming he would have the documentation in order when he got
> back.
>
> Alas, Murphy reared his ugly head and the permission to be on Palmyra had
> never been granted. So, although they were there, and there with
> good/honest intentions, that particular operation never did count.
> Fortunately, the operation on Kingman Reef was legit and accepted with no
> probs by the DXCC desk.
>
> That Palmyra operation (AD0S?) was my first disappointing "reject" from
> the DXCC desk.
>
> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...> wrote:
>>
>> How about Kingman Reef and Palmyra Island. When K6LPL, WA2FIJ and crew
>> landed on Palmyra their plane crashed [pix on QSL card], other than Jan
>> (forgot call) who was flown off and later sued, they all continued to set
>> up
>> and WA2FIJ went on to Kingman, which has barely enuf room to walk around
>> on.
>> Maybe these two entities should be deleted too so no one else can
>> possibly

>> crash on landing...
>>
>> Rene
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>> ----- Original Message -----
>> From: "Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)" <w5uc@...>
>> To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
>> Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 8:19 AM
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
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>> > CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M wrote:
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>> >>
>> >> When we start arguing the relative risks of each Dx-pedition, we may
>> >> find there are many, probably most of the top 100 or so that would
>> >> have to be deleted as too life threatening. Every time I sit down in
>> >> my shack, I'm just inches from sudden death (high voltage in the RF
>> >> Amp). Most DX-peditions have life risks ranging from electrocution to
>> >> weather. Managing life risks is one key to a successful operation.
>> >>
>> >> 73,
>> >>
>> >> Gary - AB9M
>> > Gary is right!
>> > If, If, If.......If a frog had wings & could fly he wouldn't bump his
>> > A-- when he jumps, but he jumps anyway. Nowhere in the DXCC rules do I
>> > see anything that says IF an operation(DX-Pedition) is too dangerous,
>> > then it does not qualify as a new entity. Who are we, as armchair
>> > Expeditioners, to tell anyone what they should or should not do with
>> > their personal time? It isn't for us to say what level of risk an
>> > individual exercises in pursuit of an activity. I think people who
>> > jump
>> > out of airplanes had tall of the cheese fall off of their crackers, but
>> > it's THEIR crackers.
>> >
>> > 73,
>> > Mike, W5UC
>> > *If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
>> > You are about to receive your bounty.*
>> > http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/
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12308. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 19:19:01 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12136 Message: 12308

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all my postings from their mailbox now without reading them?

I know I'm a nuisance but ...

73, Zack W9SZ

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> > > Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why should BS7H not have occurred?
> > > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups. com
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> deleted, either.Ã,Â It gives me something to look forward to.Ã,Â
> > >
> > > Ã,Â Ã,Â Ã,Â BS7H met the DXCC rules when it was added.Ã,Â It doesn't
> now, but countries grandfathered in are not deleted unless they cease to
> exist for political reasons.Ã,Â If they met the size/distance criteria when
> they were added, they are there for the long haul..
> > >
> > > 73, Paul VE1DX
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12309. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 19:23:43 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12309

No, Zack. I read 'em!! THEN I delete them :-) .

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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12310. RE: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 19:18:46 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12299 Message: 12310

Hi Paul,

The QSL Manager was AH0W. On the expedition were UA3AB, KH7U, N9NS, K0EU, W0MY, SM0AGD, AH0W and JA3IG.

My QSL is stamped and signed by AH0W.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 1:28 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

I have a friend who is "Reflector challenged." He sent me the following request this AM. I can't find anything, so I'm hoping some of the gang here either has a K7K card from 1997 with info on it, or knows one of the operators or the manager. Here's the info I was given:

"The only ones I really need are of the K7K variety. I've emailed AH0W but can't email the qsl mgr, KE7LZ. No published email address for him. There's a blurb on the internet that KE7LZ moved to Japan a few years back. He appears to be in the Air Force. KE7LZ was the qsl mgr for K7K. AH0W was one of if not the leader of the dxpedition.
Could you put out a query on one of the dx reflectors inquiring about qsls for the K7K operation and how one might acquire same? By the way, the operation took place in late September/early October in 1997. Thanks!"

73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo! Groups Links

12311. RE: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 19:36:53 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12136 Message: 12311

Thanks Bob. Getting the last few confirmed was somewhat shaky because I had been somewhat remiss in sending for the cards in a timely manner. For instance, my card from FO/DL7FT for our 10M SSB QSO was iffy because I didn't know where to send the card. I finally tried his widow (also a ham) and she kindly send me that one. There are other similarly dramatic results.

After all, I got a note from a W0 last week asking if I still have the CY0DXX logs (I do) and I made a W6 happy earlier this month with an early Christmas present of a CY9DXX QSL.

It appears that what goes around comes around.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:58 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Alan

Congratulations!!!!!

I was just putting my ARRL submittal together for next week and came to realize how hard it is going to be to get those last few that are never on. Maybe if the other thread in this reflector gains some traction we will reduce the DXCC list to only a few major countries with nearly medical facilities. Then it will be easy.

Present standing here as of just under 6 years on HF at the bottom of cycle 24 is 301 mixed confirmed made up of 282 confirmed RTTY and 258 confirmed Phone (281 worked) No CW new ones.

Considering I am only missing 36 in that time, and a few of them have been on (just couldn't get them in the log), it has been quite a good few years for DX.

73 Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:
>
> Since there are only two other local DXers to whom I can brag, I
> simply have to tell everyone (whether they care or not) that the
> arrival today of a QSL from FO/F6CTL (Marquesas) for SSB and a card

> two weeks ago from 4W6AL (note the similarity in our calls!!!) for CW
> have given me all the countries I have worked on SSB and CW confirmed.
> So I now have 335 confirmations on SSB and 334 confirmed on CW.
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> I'm really pleased with myself!
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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Yahoo! Groups Links

12312. Re: [DX-IS] Re: BRAG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 20:43:35 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 12136 Message: 12312

VE1AL said:
"It appears that what goes around comes around."

So true! A while back, I found out that one of my Elmers from 1982 had been totally flooded out in Katrina. Upon learning that he didn't have a bug (and he's a BIG TIME CW bug op), I boxed up one that I had got off Ebay and sent it to him. It was a nice bug but not particularly special to me.

About 6 months later, I got a box from someone else, totally out of the blue. Inside this box was the antique, rare (VERY rare) bug from a different Elmer!

It doesn't matter what you call it -- karma, zen, balance or anything else -- "ye shall reap what ye sow".

7 3 es Merry Christmas!
Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT
Posted via Blackberry

12313. Re: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 20:56:34 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12299 Message: 12313

Boy is he lucky! I saw K7K on the reflector (dx summit I think) during CQWW and though he was just a special events station from 7-land. I wanted DX--not some silly station promoting corn. Afterwards I found out. Boy was I green! Anybody seen a route for DU2AEU from '73 hi hi (bet he is sk). Only DU I ever worked since licensed in '71 I'm still waiting for the come around hi hi

Dale K8TS

----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Leith" <aleith@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 2:18:46 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

Hi Paul,

The QSL Manager was AH0W. On the expedition were UA3AB, KH7U, N9NS, K0EU, W0MY, SM0AGD, AH0W and JA3IG.

My QSL is stamped and signed by AH0W.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 1:28 PM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

I have a friend who is "Reflector challenged." He sent me the following request this AM. I can't find anything, so I'm hoping some of the gang here either has a K7K card from 1997 with info on it, or knows one of the operators or the manager. Here's the info I was given:

"The only ones I really need are of the K7K variety. I've emailed AH0W but can't email the qsl mgr, KE7LZ. No published email address for him. There's a blurb on the internet that KE7LZ moved to Japan a few years back. He appears to be in the Air Force. KE7LZ was the qsl mgr for K7K. AH0W was one of if not the leader of the dxpedition.
Could you put out a query on one of the dx reflectors inquiring about qsls for the K7K operation and how one might acquire same? By the way, the operation took place in late September/early October in 1997. Thanks!"

73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo! Groups Links

12314. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12314

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 20 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 354 Issued at 2200Z on 20 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 19/2100Z
to 20/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Isolated low-level B-class
flares occurred during the latter half of the period. Region 1035
(N31W70) showed no significant changes during the period. New Region
1038 (N16W26), a simply-structured A-type group, was numbered.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low with an isolated C-class flare possible from Region 1035.
There is also a slight chance for an M-class flare from this region.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 19/2100Z to 20/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at mostly quiet levels during the period (21 - 23
December).
III. Event Probabilities 21 Dec-23 Dec
Class M 10/05/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 20 Dec 084
Predicted 21 Dec-23 Dec 084/080/076
90 Day Mean 20 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 19 Dec 000/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 20 Dec 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 21 Dec-23 Dec 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 21 Dec-23 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12315. Re: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 22:53:56 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12299 Message: 12315

Oh gawd Dale, you mustn't get on the air much - less than me. Or maybe location. We've been inundated with DU's almost as much as JA's here on the Left Coast. I've worked many over the years. I'll trade you a DU for a FJ, send it to you with a SASE and include U$D's to boot.

Rene
p.s. as per QRZ yur SOL:
The search for "DU2AEU" produced no results.

DU2AEU looks like a callsign from Philippines

The callsign DU2AEU was not found in our 1993 database

----- Original Message -----
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 12:56 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

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Dale K8TS

12316. Re: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-20 23:45:14 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12299 Message: 12316

Key word there Rene "left coast" No BY or DU, gotta a 4W and a YB though.....go figure....
----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 5:53:56 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] K7K QSL from 1997

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Dale K8TS

12317. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 01:17:56 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 12259 Message: 12317

http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/appstatus.html

Got my credits but still no award. Silly me thought since I was submitting all LoTW I would get quick turnaround on the award as I did on the credits. This was my First Ever submission - DXCC basic and CW awards. Hoped to have the certs for Christmas. Again, silly me....

So now I am putting together my card/lotw submission for 20m, 15m, and 40m awards for next year.

--scott

On Sat, Dec 19, 2009 at 8:35 PM, WB6PSY/N6AXK <tagteam@...> wrote:

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> Go to the League's website and (don't remember exactly where) you can find
> where you are and how long it's gonna take...
> Rene
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M <glhuber@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Saturday, December 19, 2009 2:47 PM
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?
>
> Any ideas on the time it takes to get DXCC submission cards back after you
> receive the DXCC credit for them? I'm still waiting on the cards I received
> credit for over a month ago.
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>
> Best regards,
>
> CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
> 9679 Heron Bay Rd
> Bloomington, IL 61705
> (309-662-0604)
> www.csm-gh.com
> glhuber@...
> gary.huber@....mil
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N9LJX
radio.n9ljx@...

12318. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #939

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 00:19:43 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 12318 Message: 12318

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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin) and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy Holiday, Merry Christmas and Season's Greetings". Thanks to the many individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....73 and Have a Great Holiday de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 13th-December, through Sunday, 20th-December there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9W, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4A, MEXICO (Special Event). Members of the DXXE (Mexican Contest and DX group) will celebrate their 5th anniversary by using the special callsign 4A1DXXE between December 20-31st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. The following operators will be active from different locations: Ismael/XE1AY, Hugo/XE1CQ, Sergio/XE1CT, Alex/XE1EE, Tony/XE1GRR, Pepe/XE1J, Ramon/XE1KK (Co-leader), Masa/XE1MM, Carlos/XE1MW, Joaquin/XE1R (Co-leader & callsign trustee), Miguel/XE1YYD, Benjamin/XE2AU, Bernardo/XE2HWB, Hector/XE2K (Co-leader & schedule and log controls), Marco/XE2S, Jorge/XE2WWW, Zalo/XE3N and Daniel/XE3RR. The QSL Manager is Dick, N7RO. Don't send your QSL cards to the Mexican Bureau since they will not have QSLs to answer. Make sure your Bureau QSL card is clearly marked via N7RO. QSOs with this station are good for the DXXE Award. For more information, visit the DXXE Web page at: http://www.dxxe.org

4S7, SRI LANKA. Peter, DC0KK, is now active as 4S7KKG until January 7th, 2010. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes (RTTY, PSK and WSJT). Over the past week most of his activity has been on 20 meters RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DC0KK, direct or by the Bureau.

5N, NIGERIA. Tony, LZ1JZ, wants to remind everyone that Nick, LZ1QK, has been active as 5N/LZ1QK since October 2008. During his stay, Nick has received/used four different callsigns from different locations (5N3LQK, 5N3WQK, 5N4LQK and 5N4WQK). Next year he will operate under the special callsign 5N50K to celebrate the 50th anniversary of independence of Nigeria. His QSL Manager is LZ1CL: Vassil Shatarov, P.O Box 185, Plovdiv 4000, BULGARIA. ADDED NOTE: Currently, QSLs for 5N/LZ1QK and his other operations are momentarily not accepted for DXCC credit because the DXCC Desk has not received documentations yet.

7TH IDXC ANNOUNCEMENT. The 7th International DX Convention organized by the Strange Radio Team (SRT) will be held April 17-18th, 2010. The City will be Paestum near Salerno (fantastic Archeological Area/tourist site) and the airport is Napoli Capodichino. Look for more details to become available soon at: http://www.strangeradioteam.com/idxc

9H, MALTA. Christian, EA3NT, is active as 9H3NT until December 23rd. Activity will be on 40□10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW or by his home callsign direct or by the Bureau.

ANTARCTICA TOUR (VP8, VP8/G, VP8/H, VP8/O and KC4). Thaire, W2APF, will be traveling on board the ship "National Geographic Explorer" heading to the Antarctica region between February 8th and March 5th. He is expected to be operating under the following callsigns (specific dates were not provided):
W2APF/C6A/MM □ While on board the ship "National Geographic Explorer"; http://www.expeditions.com/Ship_Detail92.asp?Ship=20
W2APF/KC4 □ While in Antarctic territories
VP8DML □ While in the territory of the Falkland Islands (VP8) including South Shetlands Islands (VP8/H), South Orkney□s Islands (VP8/O) and South Georgia Islands.
QSL all activity via W2APF.

BIRD ACTIVITY (Many Grids To Be Activated!). Jim, ND9M/VQ9JC, plans to activate 85 grids in 8 states on AO-51 (he actually travels through 13 states) between January 21st and February 10th. Jim and his wife will be driving to the Denver area (DN70) where his step-son lives and Cheyenne (DN71) where is brother lives. The trip will start from Panama City, Florida, on/or around January 21st, where they will head to Memphis, TN, and Jim may possibly activate some grids. From Memphis they will head westbound through OK, then into KS and NE before hitting CO. Their around trip will take them through Big Bend National Park and Texas (hitting every grid in TX) and the Gulf Coast into Louisiana. Here is the list of grids to be activated from start to finish:

Depart Memphis westbound
along 35N latitude to 100W Turn north along OK/TX
longitude line (100W)
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EM44 / EM45 (AR) DM96 / EM06
EM34 / EM35 DM97 / EM07 (KS)
EM24 / EM25 (OK) DM98 / EM08
EM14 / EM15 DM99 / EM09 <----- May try to run a quad
EM04 / EM05 DN90 / EN00 <----- field/grid point
DM94 / DM95 (TX) DN91 / EN01 (NE)

Turn west along 41N latitude
to I-80 and head toward Try to run DN71 when in Cheyenne.
Longmont. ----------

DN81 DN80 DN70

Head south from Longmont toward Leave Big Bend and head for
Big Bend Nat'l Park Brownsville, TX
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DM79 / DM89 DM72 / DM82 DL99 / DM90
DM78 / DM88 DM71 / DM81 DL98 / EL08
DM77 / DM87 DM70 / DM80 EL07
DM76 / DM86 DL79 / DL89 EL06
DM75 / DM85 DL88 - Big Bend EL16
DM74 / DM84 EL15 (Brownsville)
DM73 / DM83

Resume northbound and northwest Turn east toward 96W east
toward 100W longitude of Dallas
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EL17 / EL18 DM91 / EM01 EM13 / EM23
EL09 / EL19 DM92 / EM02
EM00 / EM10 DM93 / EM03

Turn south along 96W and head Follow Gulf Coast into
toward Houston & the Gulf Coast Louisiana
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EM12 / EM22 EL29 EL39 / EM30
EM11 / EM21 EL28 EL31 / EL32
EM10 / EM20 EL33

Jim will return home via route of convenience.....
(ed. Whew! I sure hope I got it right for him....)

BLACK SEA CUP INTERNATIONAL 2010. The Black Sea Contest Club (BSCC) will sponsor the "Black Sea Cup International Contest 2010" which will be held between 1200z, February 6th and 1159z, February 7th. For more information on the contest, please visit the BSCC Web page at: http://bscc.in

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND. Al, LA9SN, will be active as CE0Z/LA9SN from March 16-23rd (possibly to the 26th), 2010. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mostly CW and 100 watts. QSL via his home callsign (may change). For updates, visit his Web page at: http://www.la9sn.com

CTU USA 2010. Tim Duffy, K3LR, Contest University Chairman, reports:
"I am pleased to announce that 'early bird' registration for Dayton ConTest University ('CTU') 2010 is now OPEN. This will be the only Contest University held in the USA during 2010. Our 4th year holding CTU in Dayton!
The CTU staff is working hard to prepare an interesting and informative curriculum for 2010. CTU USA will be held in Dayton, Ohio, on Thursday, May 13, 2010 (classes last all day). This is the day before the big 3 day Dayton event!
CTU USA 2010 will feature some of the best Radio Contest operators and station builders ('CTU Professors'). They will present state of the art contesting topics that will increase your contesting knowledge and fun.
Thanks to our flagship Sponsor -Icom America for their continued support of CTU USA 2010 and our contesting radio sport. Also thanks to CQ Magazine, DX Engineering, Superbertha, International Radio and Dave, W9ZRX, for their contributions that help make CTU a success.
For CTU USA 2010 details, registration and more information, go to:
http://www.contestuniversity.com
Please make sure that you click on the registration page and indicate if you are a returning CTU graduate or if this is your first time attending Dayton CTU.
Based upon the tremendous attendance at Dayton CTU 2009, I expect Dayton CTU 2010 student registration slots will fill up fast. Space is limited.
Contest University traveled to the United Kingdom and Italy during 2009. Both locations had tremendous response with hundreds of students. CTU will be held in England and Italy again during 2010. There will be announcements next month of additional Europe Contest University locations.
http://www.contestuniversity.com/main/page_uk.html
http://contestuniversityitaly.wordpress.com/gallery-contest-university-italy-2009/
This is the only USA Contest University for 2010 - we hope to see you in Dayton! Thanks to Scott, KA9FOX and QTH.com for his hosting of the Contest University Web site! Merry Christmas and 73!"

CHINESE BIRD VERY ACTIVE (XW-1 Satellite News). The new Chinese satellite XW-1 (HOPE-1) was in the linear transponder mode over South and North America on December 20th, between 0222Z and 0246Z for the first time. The passband was filled with stations over the U.S. with excellent signals. K8YSE reported making 13 contacts on this pass.

XW-1 is at an altitude of 1200KM, more than 400KM higher than the popular AO-51, SO-50 and AO-27 satellites. This means a longer visible pass and more distance. Contacts with Europe are possible with the eastern US. XW-1 will be in the FM mode between 0153 and 0228Z, December 21st over South and North America for the first time. One watt of output power makes this satellite easier to hear, so many are expected to be making contacts on this pass. A recording of the SSB pass can be downloaded at:
http://www.papays.com/XW-1_20Dec2009_022218z.mp3
The FM pass will eventually be uploaded to the following file:
http://www.papays.com/XW-1_21Dec2009_020500z.mp3
Congratulations to the Chinese Team that designed, built and launched this satellite. Details can be found on the AMSAT Web site at:
http://www.amsat.org

CX, URUGUAY. Jorge, CX6VM, will be active during the CQ 160m CW Contest (January 29-31st, 2010) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via QRZ.com address.

DXCC NEWS (2009 DXCC Yearbook Final Reminder). Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "Just a last-minute final reminder that if you have not made your 2009 submission, you must make a submission in order to appear in the next yearbook. The submission must be postmarked on or by December 31, 2009.
If you are current on the DXCC Honor Roll (minimum of 329 'current' DXCC entities) you will automatically be listed and you DO NOT need to make a submission. However, if you are not current on the Honor Roll you must make a submission in order to be listed.
Also, in order for an award to appear in the Annual List, first the award must be 'active' (Meaning you must have a certificate). Just qualifying for an award does not mean it will appear. Also, for an active award to appear your total on that category MUST increase by at least one point. (eg: If you had 300 in 2008 for 10 Meters and in 2009 your number remaining at 300, the 10 meter listing will not appear in the Annual List. But, if your number increased to, at least 301, then your active award will appear.
Also, only ARRL members (during the 2009 calendar year) receive the free copy. (The cost of the yearbook is to be determined soon).
The 2009 DXCC Yearbook will now be handled as an official ARRL publication that will no longer be handled by the DXCC Branch directly. Orders for the yearbook will now be available only via the ARRL catalog. (This will not affect those who qualify for the free copy).
Send questions to <dxcc@...> "

ER, MOLDOVA. Vladimir, RA4LW, will be active as ER4KAA during the CQ 160M CW Contest (January 29-31st, 2010) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign direct.

GS, SCOTLAND (Year Long Special Event - Yaesu Heritage Year 2010). Just a reminder and update to look for the special event callsign GS2MP (club callsign of the North of Scotland Contest Group - GM7V) during 2010. Operators Chris GM3WOJ/ZL1CT and Jim/GM0NAI will be operating their vintage Yaesu transmitters/receivers and transceivers during the whole year. Each calendar month they will use a different Yaesu radio, and

amateurs worldwide are invited to work GS2MP and earn points towards the "Yaesu Heritage Year Award". Operation will mostly be on 40 and 20 meters, SSB and CW, using classic radios like the FT-dx-100 (original), FT-200, FT-dx-401, etc. Yaesu (UK) Ltd are kindly sponsoring the event by supplying special QSL cards, small trophies and a special prize to the overall 'winner' of this year-long fun event. In January 2010, Chris, GM3WOJ, will start by using an FT-200 transceiver. For more details, please visit the following Web site for some photos of the vintage radios at: http://www.gm7v.com/yaesu2010.htm

HS8, THAILAND. Voravut, HS8JYX, from Paknum Muang Krabi, is planning to be in the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 29-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via HS8JYX, LoTW or eQSL. He states he will use an inverted L antenna and transmit the power limit at about 50 watts.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. (REAL EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT) Operator Luigi, IK8HCG, will be active as IG9R from Lampedusa Island, African Italy, during the next CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st, 2010). QSL via IK8HCG.

EU-099. Operators Lieven/ON4PQ, Jo/ON5MF, Pat/ON7PQ, Geert/ON7USB and Tim/ON5HC will be active as MJ/OP9X/P from Les Minquiers Island between March 31st and April 7th, 2010. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via ON4PQ by the Bureau or direct only! No eQSL or LoTW. QSL direct with 2 green stamps and a SAE. Les Minquiers is an uninhabited rock formation midway between St. Malo, France and Jersey Island. For more details about the island, see the DXpedition's Web page at: http://www.eu099.be

NA-235. (New IOTA, Also Possibly NA-239) Operators Yuri/UA9OBA, Merle/N6PYN, Yuri/N3QQ and possibly one operator will be active as KL7RRC from Chirikof Island, possibly late July and early August. This will be a typical Russian Robinson Club operation for about one week, depending on the weather. The team is talking about chartering an airplane from Kodiak and possibly landing in one of the two lakes on the island. They state that there are no bears on the island, but there is a herd of about 700-800 wild cows. The team may use an electric fence for antennas/camp to protect them. A possible trip to Seal Islands (NA-239; Callsign will be N6PYN/KL7) may take place after the Chirikof operation is completed. No other details were provided.

J3, GRENADA. Ulf, DL5AXX, will be active as J38XX between February 10□24th, 2010. Activity will be focused on the lower bands, but also in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign.

J8, ST. VINCENT (On 6m). Member of the Midwest 6 Meter DX Group will activate 6 meters from Bequia Island (NA-025) as J8/homecall between June 28th and July 5th, 2010. Operators mentioned are: David/W9DR and Mike/W8IF. QSL both callsigns via KB3RHR. Visit the Midwest 6 Meter DX Group's Web page at: http://www.6meterdxgroup.com/DXpedition_2010.html

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For December 14-20th)....
Dec 21 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Dec 22 AN ---------------
Dec 23 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Dec 24 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Dec 25 AN LN - Low Normal
Dec 26 AN
Dec 27 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. Colin, WA2YUN, will once again be active as KH9/WA2YUN from Wake Island (OC-053, USI OI-012S, WLOTA LH-2293) for about one year while on work assignment. Activity will be limited to his spare time. QSL via K2PF.

OFFICERS FOR 2010. Members of the Carolina DX Association elected the following officers for 2010 at their annual meeting held on December 9th. Serving as 2010 Officers are:
President: Ted Goldthorpe, W4VHF
Vice President: Paul Ponak, AD4IE
Sec./Treasurer: Cliff Wagoner, W3ZL
Newsletter Editor: John Scott, K8YC
Contest Manager: Dick Williams, W3OA
Cluster Manager: Joe Simpkins, K4MD
Cluster Manager, North: Paul Sturpe, W3GQ
Webmaster: Wayne Setzer, WB4BXW
Visit the CDXA Web page at: http://www.cdxa.org

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Timo/OH6GLE, Juha/OH6XX and Kari/OH5TS will be active as OH0Z during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 29-31st) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via W0MM.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will once again activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) as PJ2T during the CQWW DX 160m CW Contest (January 29-31st, 2010) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators will be Jeff/K8ND and Jim/W8WTS. QSL via LoTW or direct to N9AG.

PJ5, ST. MAARTEN/ST. EUSTATIUS (Update). Last week we mentioned that Jim, K1NA, will once again be active as PJ5NA. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. This week Jim informed OPDX that he will be at PJ5NA between January 10th and March 27th, operating mostly WARC bands outside of the contests and 160/80/40m

during his night time hours. He also mentioned that he should have all of the antennas up by the 13th of January. "Nothing very big, CC-R7 for 40-10m, CCMAV-160 for 160m, dipole for 80m on 30 ft. mast and using an IC-706 with a AL-811," states Jim. QSL via K1NA (100% QSL direct only with SASE) No bureau cards will be answered. DX stations MUST have SASE or SAE with 1 USD. No IRC! USA stations SASE only.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
A71QND via A71CO. Special event station in Doha, Qatar, is to celebrate "Qatar National Day" (December 18th). Activity was between December 15□19th.

LOGS ONLINE. The Algarve STAR DX Team announced this past week that the following logs are available online at:
http://algarvedx.com/logonline
CT1CQK/p - Roxo Large Dam (November 20th)
CR5CQK - Igreja da Fuzeta; LH POR-074 and Fa-44
CR5CQK - Dunas de S.Jacinto Natural Park; DPRN FF-16, WFF CTFF-16
CQ1I - Berlenga Island (EU-040) 1997; PIP NT-029
CU3F - Terceira Island - AZORES
CQ0ODX - Mouchao da Lebre Island (TJ-013); Mouchao dos Caracois Island (TJ-014) and 50 MHz expedition to Serra de Montejunto.
Information about the Algarve STAR DX Team awards program is available at: http://algarvedx.com

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Ken, WA8JOC, reports that he is not and never has been the QSL Manager for BV7FF.

PIRATE ALERT. Nenad, VE3EXY, reports that a station signing C31LJ/M between December 8-9th was a PIRATE. Peter was not in Andorra. He also mentioned that this was the second PIRATED C31LJ operation this year.

RARE 1AW QSL FOR SALE! There is a rare 1AW QSL for sale on eBay at:
http://cgi.ebay.com/Rare-Hiram-Percy-Maxim-1AW-November-11-1923-QSL-Card_W0QQitemZ400092442363QQcmdZViewItemQQptZLH_DefaultDomain_0?hash=item5d275e2efb
Best offer by December 27th or "Buy It Now" for 275.00 USDs.

QSLS VIA LoTW: AU8JCB, JT1CO, VU2NKS and XR0Y

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2GM, 5N0OCH, 9M6DXX/p, 9M6XRO/p, BD4QH, EE9K, FO/G3BJ, FO/F6CTL, FP/KV1J, FT5GA, IM0A, KH7XS, LA2NK, OJ0B, P29NI, T2G, T30GM, TY1MS, UU4JDD/p, UA9UZZ, V47NT, VP2MXO, VP2V/DL7VOG, VP2V/KG9N, XE2YBG, XV2Z, XV4D, ZB2EO, ZC4VJ and ZK2BJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B8MM, 3D2RX, 3XDQZ/P, 5H3AP/3, 5I3A, 5V7BR, 6V7E, 6V7M, 7P8AO, 8P9JG, 9J2FM, 9M2MRS, 9M4SMO, 9X/ON4WW, A62ER, A61NT, A43DLH, AH2J, AM8IL, AP2TN, B7HQ, C6ATA, C6AKU, D2NX, D44TT, D44TXO, DL5JS, DP1POL, EA1GA, EL2WW, ER7HQ, FK/G3TXF, FK8HC, FM5LD, HF15SZL, HS0ZDY, IK2WZM, J38AA, J5C, J88XF, KB1H, LY1CX, M8C, OH3GZ/P, P29NI, RK2FWA/P, S79NS, S79NS/P, T88IW, T88KJ, TL0R, TO4X, TO5RZ, TS7C, TX7LX, UA4PWR, VK9AA, VK9LA, VK9N/G3TXF, VU4MY, VU4RG, VU7SJ, WZ3AR,

XU7ACY, YJ0TXF, YK1BA, YS1G and YU8/OH2R

SILENT KEYS.....
* Arnold Polsbroek, PZ1AP, became a Silent Key (SK) on December 11th.

* Karlis Sleckaitis, YL2MD, became a Silent Key (SK) on December 12th. He was 57.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above mentioned.

SOUTHEAST ASIAN TOUR (HS and XU). Eddy, ON4AFU, plans to be in Thailand (HS) between January 12th and March 8th, 2010. His callsign will be HS0ZJF. During his stay, Eddy plans to activate the Malay Peninsula East Group (AS-101) during this time-frame as HS0ZJF/8. He will also make a trip to Cambodia between February 2-15th, 2010, and be active as XU7AFU. All his activities will be on all bands but CW only. QSL via his home callsign.

TK, CORSICA. Laurent, F8BBL, will once again be active from here next year between July 10□24th, 2010. However, he will be using a different callsign this time. His callsign will be TK10B. His main QTH will be Golfe de Valinco, but he plans to make side trips to Sanguinaires Island (EU-104), Lavezzi Island (EU-164) and possibly a third IOTA. QSL via F8BBL.

V88, BRUNEI DARUSSALAM. Jan, DL7JAN, will be active as V88/DL7JAN from Bandar Seri Begawan between February 22nd and March 3rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DL7JAN, by the Bureau or direct.

VK6, AUSTRALIA. Jim, G6PAA, is now active as VK6/G6PAA from Western Australia (IOTA OC-001, WLOTA LH-1520) until January 13th, 2010. Activity will be 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Jim will use 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT (Update). Mike, W1USN, will once again be active as VP2MPR between February 28th and March 13th (2010). Mike will work mainly SSB and PSK31. Bob, AA1M, will also return to Montserrat and will operate mostly CW as VP2MPL between March 3-11th. QSL both operators via their home callsigns.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Operators Michael/G7VJR and Martin/G3ZAY will be active from Falkland Islands (SA-002) as VP8DMN between January 21-29th, 2010. Activity will be focused on lower bands. QSL via G7VJR, by the RSGB Bureau or direct.

YJ, VANUATU (OC-035). Nao, JK1FNL, will be active as YJ0NA from Port Vila between December 28th and January 4th. Activity will be on 40□6 meters using 100 watts into wire antennas. QSL via his home callsign.

YN, NICARAGUA. Eric, K9GY, will once again be active as YN2GY from Octavio's, YN2N, QTH in Grenada, during the 2010 CQ WPX CW Contest

(May 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will be there between May 27-31st. Outside of the contest, look for CW activity on 30/17/12 meters. Also look for him on 6 meters. QSL via LoTW or to his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. After his Australia trip, Jim, G6PAA, will head to New Zealand and be active as ZL/G6PAA between January 16th and March 1st, 2010. He will probably visit both the North Island (OC-036, WLOTA LH-0069) and South Island (OC-134, WLOTA LH-0342). Activity will be 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Jim will use 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

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12319. 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 04:53:04 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12319 Message: 12319

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12320. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 15:21:29 UTC
From: Win
Topic: 12319 Message: 12320

I have same 9J2BO card from 81.

Win

----- Original Message -----
From: "WB6PSY/N6AXK" <tagteam@...>
To: "DX" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2009 10:53 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

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12321. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 14:43:45 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12319 Message: 12321

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12322. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 15:52:40 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 12319 Message: 12322

I worked Brian 9J2BO yesterday on 15 ssb he had a great signal.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty K5LBU
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
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Sent: Monday, December 21, 2009 8:43 AM
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Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.717 / Virus Database: 270.14.116/2579 - Release Date: 12/21/09 01:36:00

12323. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 16:07:39 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12319 Message: 12323

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12324. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 16:56:56 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12319 Message: 12324

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for 50.125. I guess that is kinda funny, except all the 6m DX'ers would be
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I see he's been on 40 CW too. So I guess Ron is doing OK.

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12325. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 17:18:21 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12319 Message: 12325

it WASN'T intentional, but I have a neighbor about 50 miles from me that saw that turned his antenna that way & called & called & called......

LMAO,..
----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2009 10:56 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

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12326. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 15:51:34 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12319 Message: 12326

I think Baldur, DJ6SI was DXpeditioning in the 70s, know he was in the early 80s, and still is today. Wasn't he on the Spratley Island DXpedition that was attacked?

73s John AA5JG

--- On Mon, 12/21/09, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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12327. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF etc.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 18:40:11 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12327 Message: 12327

Yes, that was his Spratley DXpedition that was attacked. Amazes me he's still at it. He usually doesn't annnounce a lot ahead of time where he's going to be, sometimes he just suddenly shows up. I guess that keeps us on our toes!

Luc I1YRL sometimes operates from 3A and from 4U1ITU. I haven't heard him in a while either. But I don't hear a lot from EU at the bottom of the sunspot cycle.

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12328. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF etc.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 18:56:34 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12327 Message: 12328

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12329. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF etc.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 19:09:37 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12327 Message: 12329

Baldur is a first class op as well. If he is on and you can hear him, you can probably work him with 25 watts to a dipole.

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12330. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12330

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 21 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 355 Issued at 2200Z on 21 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 20/2100Z
to 21/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Isolated low-level C-class
flares and occasional B-class flares were observed. Region 1035
(N31W85) showed no significant change as it approached the west
limb. Region 1036 (S27W45) showed rapid growth and was classified as
a Dso/Beta at the end of the period. No new regions were numbered.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low.
Isolated C-class flare activity is expected. There is also a slight
chance for an isolated M-class flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 20/2100Z to 21/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the period (22 - 24
December).
III. Event Probabilities 22 Dec-24 Dec
Class M 10/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 21 Dec 083
Predicted 22 Dec-24 Dec 080/076/074
90 Day Mean 21 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 20 Dec 002/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 21 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 22 Dec-24 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 22 Dec-24 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12331. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF etc.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 22:24:44 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12327 Message: 12331

I forgot his name and call but one of the Germans that was killed I had spoken with a few time before that. DJ6SI, Baldur and DJ9ZB are both Honorary members of the SCDXC of which I'm a 30 year member. Glad to hear Ron Wright is still on the air...
Rene
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12332. Re: [DX-IS] 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-21 22:58:34 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12319 Message: 12332

At 06:43 AM 12/21/2009, Zack Widup wrote:
>I don't hear much of ZL1AMO any more.

I worked Ron on 17 SSB about four months ago and he was spotted there as recently as two days ago. He's not on too much, but when he is it tends to be on 40 and 17.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12333. Re: DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 00:45:12 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 12259 Message: 12333

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If you got the credits in your LoTW account, ie they moved from the applied column to the Awarded Column, its done! In the Left side selections the application should also should as complete under History. It takes awhile for the Certificate to show up. 4-6 weeks I believe.
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12334. Re: [DX-IS] Re: DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 03:35:07 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 12259 Message: 12334

Good. I was hoping to make the listings for this year. I was just
concerned because I don't yet have the asterisk beside the awards.

thanks!
73,
--scott

On Mon, Dec 21, 2009 at 7:45 PM, Bob <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

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12335. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC QSL Return?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 03:41:47 UTC
From: R Johnson
Topic: 12259 Message: 12335

Scott:
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Merry Christmas es gud DX.

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Date: 2009-12-22 04:17:26 UTC
From: Scott Stembaugh
Topic: 12259 Message: 12336

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Thanks Bob and vy 73!
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 05:34:15 UTC
From: R Johnson
Topic: 12259 Message: 12337

Scott, what do you plan to print ??? Maybe I missed something.

BTW:
I received my LoTW WAS Cert. in 2 days via (USPS) after application, wish DXCC was this fast :-).
Message-Id: <200912220036968.SM05340@...>

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12338. One more time.... personal replies and political signatures.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 14:10:56 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 12279 Message: 12338

First, when responding to someone about weather, the whole membership does NOT need to read it. Some of us get quite enough email already.

More importantly Mike, we could care less about your political views, especially those written so vulgarly and sexually explicit.

Don
N1DG
List owner

At 11:46 AM 12/20/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
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>Joey, how far north do you live in MS? Here in East TX we get just a
>dusting of snow every 4 or 5 years. This may be an exceptional winter
>as we have already had just enough snow to see it falling, but it didn't
>stick. Snow here usually comes in Jan or Feb.
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>73,
>Mike, W5UC
>*If you voted for Change & Hope, Bend over.
>You are about to receive your bounty.*

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12339. Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 15:11:43 UTC
From: aburkefl
Topic: 12319 Message: 12339

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12340. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 15:42:48 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12319 Message: 12340

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From: aburkefl <aburkefl@...>
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12341. 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 15:45:01 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12319 Message: 12341

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From: John Geiger
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 9:42 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

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12342. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 15:56:29 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 12319 Message: 12342

Cold comment----
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Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 10:42 AM
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12343. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Why should BS7H not have occurred?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 16:02:56 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 12136 Message: 12343

Uh -- you mean here in Clovis???

Earl

--
KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs
Quoting from the Coast Guard: ZUT

aburkefl wrote:
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> I thought all the QSLs there went to Box 51!
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> Art - N4PJ
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>,
> "earl_needham" <earl.kd5xb@...> wrote:
> >
> > What's interesting to me is the number of bureaus TODAY that use
> "Box 88"! I put +"Box 88" +"QSL" in a search engine and came up with
> many entries. On the first page, I found Box 88 QSL addresses in
> Ukraine, Russia, Viet Nam, Kazakhstan, Thailand, and Croatia!
> >
> > I wonder if Box 88 is available here in Clovis...
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> > Earl
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12344. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 16:03:48 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 12319 Message: 12344

Or else planted trees along the road for the team to walk under...

Earl

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12345. C'ya!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 16:31:08 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12319 Message: 12345

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That is a political statement. Obviously Don's earlier post
about laying off politics fell on deaf ears.

Clearly we list owners can't stop these posts. They are
insulting and serve no purpose. It's a shame the Internet ever got
intertwined with Ham radio. Anyhow, I quit.

73, Paul VE1DX SK CL

12346. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:01:43 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 12319 Message: 12346

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12347. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:09:15 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 12319 Message: 12347

Don,

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Charles F. Frost
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frosty1@...
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12348. Re: [DX-IS] Re: politics etc

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:14:18 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 12348 Message: 12348

Don/Paul, can't you just ban the worst offenders? And re-ban them if they post under a new email? I'd hate the thought of losing this nice list for the sake of a few bad apples (and that's NOT supposed to be a political statement).

I have several people on my blocked senders list, but see their comments when someone is silly enough to respond.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in snowy far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE in July 2010 from Miquelon for the IARU HF Contest

12349. RE: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:14:48 UTC
From: ARS NI5F
Topic: 12319 Message: 12349

Don,

I am a 5-lander and have not expressed political views; as a matter of fact, I say very little on line. So you in your temper lump me with violators of your policy? Although cursing is immature, taking God's name in vain is indefensible.

Bill, NI5F

<http://www.buck.com/call?callsign=NI5F> http://www.buck.com/call?callsign=NI5F

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Don Greenbaum
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 12:02 PM
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12350. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:18:03 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12319 Message: 12350

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Amen Frosty. On numerous occasions in the past I have privately expressed objection to various items appearing on this reflector, and was firmly reminded that the goal was to keep this reflector open and without moderation.

We can't have it both ways, So, which is it gonna be?

73,
Mike, W5UC

12351. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:22:52 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 12319 Message: 12351

I see no humor in it.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:32:20 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 12319 Message: 12352

Well Don,

That saying has been around for a few years. I guess some folks don't know where the delete key is located.

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12353. An apology to the list

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:55:52 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12353 Message: 12353

This is not DX related, but I want to apologize to the list for my earlier posting. It was meant to be funny, not offensive. Sorry if it did offend anyone, and I will not make similar posts in the future.

73s John AA5JG

12354. RE: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 18:57:37 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 12319 Message: 12354

There are lots of offensive "sayings" that have been around for years, often masquerading as jokes; they remain offensive, and have no place on a DXing reflector.

The delete key is fine for off-topic content; offensive content should never be posted.

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]On Behalf Of Frosty
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 1:32 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Well Don,

That saying has been around for a few years. I guess some folks don't know where the delete key is located.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty K5LBU
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: Don Greenbaum
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 12:22 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

I see no humor in it.

Don
N1DG

At 01:09 PM 12/22/2009, Frosty wrote:

Don,

People should not wear their feelings on their shirt sleeves' life is to short to get
upset over a joke.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty K5LBU
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: Don Greenbaum
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com ; aa5jg@...
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 12:01 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

What the hell is it with you 5 landers?

Do you want the whole friggin world to hate America because of your
inability to keep your goddamn views off our reflector.

New rule....political posts are in violation of the reflector and a
reason
for immediate expulsion from DX IS.

Between yesterday's anti-Obama bend over references and this crap I've
about had enough.
73

Don
N1DG
list owner
At 10:42 AM 12/22/2009, John Geiger wrote:
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>
>Too bad it isn't a French possession. Their Navy would have
surrendered to
>the DXpedition team!
>
>73s John AA5JG

Don Greenbaum
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12355. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12355

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 22 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 356 Issued at 2200Z on 22 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 21/2100Z
to 22/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Region 1036 (S27W58) produced a
C7/Sf flare at 22/0456Z associated with a Type II radio sweep
(estimated velocity 531 km/sec) and discrete frequency radio bursts,
the largest of which was 4900 sfu at 245 MHz. There was also a
faint, slow-moving partial-halo coronal mass ejection (CME)
associated with the flare (estimated velocity 300 km/sec). Region
1036 gradually decayed from a D-type to a B-type spot group during
the period. Additional isolated low-level C-class flares and
occasional B-class flares also occurred during the period. Region
1035 (N31W98) crossed the west limb early in the period. No new
regions were numbered.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low
during days 1 - 2 (23 - 24 December) with a slight chance for an
isolated M-class flare. Activity is expected to drop to very low
levels on day 3 (25 December) as Region 1036 departs the west limb.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 21/2100Z to 22/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at quiet levels through the period (23 - 25
December). The CME mentioned above is not expected to significantly
disturb the field.
III. Event Probabilities 23 Dec-25 Dec
Class M 10/10/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 22 Dec 082
Predicted 23 Dec-25 Dec 078/076/074
90 Day Mean 22 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 21 Dec 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 22 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 23 Dec-25 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 23 Dec-25 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
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Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01

12356. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 23:14:51 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12319 Message: 12356

At 10:18 AM 12/22/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
>Amen Frosty. On numerous occasions in the past I have privately
>expressed objection to various items appearing on this reflector, and
>was firmly reminded that the goal was to keep this reflector open and
>without moderation.
>
>We can't have it both ways, So, which is it gonna be?

For Heaven's sake, Mike, use common sense. A total lack of rules leads to anarchy. The moderators need to post whatever minimal rules they feel appropriate and the moderators need to enforce those rules. Yahoo! provides them with the tools to send offenders into a corner to "time out" if they don't respond to reasonable requests. If some people are to act like children they should expect to be treated like children.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12357. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 23:22:16 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12319 Message: 12357

Dick Flanagan wrote in part:
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> At 10:18 AM 12/22/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
> >Amen Frosty. On numerous occasions in the past I have privately
> >expressed objection to various items appearing on this reflector, and
> >was firmly reminded that the goal was to keep this reflector open and
> >without moderation.
> >
> >We can't have it both ways, So, which is it gonna be?
>
>
> If some people are to act like children they should expect
> to be treated like children.
>
> Dick
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Dick, I agree. I only stated what I had been told, not what I thought it should be. OH, and by the way, does the above also apply to the moderator?

73,
Mike, W5UC

12358. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-22 23:49:15 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12319 Message: 12358

At 03:22 PM 12/22/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
>>Dick, I agree. I only stated what I had been told, not what I thought it
>should be. OH, and by the way, does the above also apply to the moderator?

I am not a moderator of this group and I don't envy Paul and Don's
position one bit, but every organization needs published rules of
acceptable behavior and whatever those rules are they need to be
enforced fairly and equally. With a group as diverse and world-wide
as this, determining what is and is not acceptable behavior has to be
a daunting task.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12360. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-23 00:14:51 UTC
From: Richard J. Fiero II W5TFW
Topic: 12319 Message: 12360

OK,

Cant we ALL,..... just get along ?

I had a DREAM,.....

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 6:04 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Dick Flanagan wrote:
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> At 03:22 PM 12/22/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
> >>Dick, I agree. I only stated what I had been told, not what I thought it
> >should be. OH, and by the way, does the above also apply to the
> moderator?
>
> I am not a moderator of this group
>
I am aware of that

> and I don't envy Paul and Don's
> position one bit,
>
Nor do I

> but every organization needs published rules of
> acceptable behavior and whatever those rules are they need to be
> enforced fairly and equally. With a group as diverse and world-wide
> as this, determining what is and is not acceptable behavior has to be
> a daunting task.
>
> <mailto:dick%40k7vc.com>
>
"enforced fairly and equally." Oh really?

Dick, you are preaching to the choir. Go back and read my last
question. Let me paraphrase; Do the rules apply to everyone, or do
those rules apply to everyone except the moderator(s)?

Mike

12361. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-23 00:19:35 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12319 Message: 12361

At 04:04 PM 12/22/2009, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
>Let me paraphrase; Do the rules apply to everyone, or do
>those rules apply to everyone except the moderator(s)?

Yes, the rules should apply to everyone including the moderators,
while baring in mind that moderators are just as fallible as the rest of us.

Dick
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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12363. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 3B8CF

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-23 03:05:32 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 12319 Message: 12363

I think Don said what had to be said.

Ted, W2ZK

Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH) wrote:
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> Dick Flanagan wrote:
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> >
> > Yes, the rules should apply to everyone including the moderators,
> > while baring in mind that moderators are just as fallible as the rest
> > of us.
> >
> No Dick, that is not the case. The filth and obscenity spewed forth by
> Don in his tirade goes well beyond anything previously posted on this
> reflector. It was unacceptably inexcusable, and represents the highest
> form of hypocrisy. Who is going to threaten to boot him for HIS blatant
> failure to follow said rules?
>
> Don owes this group an apology.
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> 73,
> Mike, W5UC
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12364. QRZ DX?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-23 04:26:44 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12364 Message: 12364

Hopefully this will be non-controversial and acceptable.

I received an email from Carl, N4AA stating that he had been without power for three days due to winter weather in his area. As a result there would be no QRZ DX sent this week and he intended to send QRZ DX out next week instead.

Wishing everyone the best spirits of the Holiday Season.

Best regards,

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(309-662-0604)
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gary.huber@...

12366. Re: DXCC QSL Return? Added info

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-23 15:38:03 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 12259 Message: 12366

For those who may not realize it, the ARRL DXCC Que is mainly due to the issuing of Certificates (which are dated), so that the awards are dated in the order recieved.

Not quite the same if you are just doing undated Endorsement stickers!

I submitted my LoTW credits on Monday evening, drove down to the ARRL HQ on tuesday and had my cards checked (Mom is 20 minutes away), walked away with my cards and endorsement stickers, new totals were up on the ARRL web site on Wed morning. Start to finish---36 hours.

Happy Holidays to all..

Bob KB1JZU

PS this time 3/4 of my QSLs where via LoTW for those who are not using it

12367. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-23 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12367

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 23 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 357 Issued at 2200Z on 23 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 22/2100Z
to 23/2100Z: Solar activity was low. Isolated B- and C-class flares
occurred. The largest flare was a C6/Sf from Region 1036 (S28W70) at
23/1017Z. Region 1036 showed no significant changes during the
period. Region 1038 (N15W69) gradually decayed during the period. No
new regions were numbered.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is forecast to be low
during days 1 - 2 (24 - 25 December) with isolated C-class flares
expected. There will also be a slight chance for an isolated M-class
flare. Activity is expected to decrease to very low levels on day 3
(26 December), once Regions 1036 and 1038 depart the visible disk.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 22/2100Z to 23/2100Z:
Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels through the period.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: Geomagnetic field activity is
expected to be at mostly quiet levels through the period (24 - 26
December).
III. Event Probabilities 24 Dec-26 Dec
Class M 10/05/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 23 Dec 078
Predicted 24 Dec-26 Dec 076/074/072
90 Day Mean 23 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 22 Dec 002/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 23 Dec 002/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 24 Dec-26 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 24 Dec-26 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12368. ARLP053 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-24 18:20:20 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8054 Message: 12368

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP053
ARLP053 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP53
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 53 ARLP053
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 24, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP053
ARLP053 Propagation de K7RA

This bulletin is coming out a day ahead of normal schedule because of the Christmas holiday on Friday. ARRL headquarters closes early today for Christmas Eve at 1900 UTC.

Many of us are nearly giddy with joy over the recent steady increase in sunspot activity, which seems long overdue. Average daily sunspot numbers rose over 10 points this week compared to last, from 21.1 to 31.4. The monthly average daily sunspot numbers for September, October and November were 6.6, 7 and 7.7, so this is quite a large jump.

Five new sunspot groups emerged since December 9, three of those over the past week, on December 19 and 20. These were groups 1035 and 1036 on December 19, and 1037 on December 20. Today a new sunspot appears to be forming, and you can see it via the Solar Terrestrial Relations Observatory at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/. Look for that bright spot in our Sun's southern hemisphere, around -65 to -70 degrees longitude.

If we consider there are twelve of these 30 degree segments on the spinning Sun seen on the STEREO web site, considering a complete solar rotation takes about 27.5 days, each thirty-degree segment passes over the horizon in about 2.3 days, or every 55 hours. We can't tell if every bright spot beyond the horizon is formed into a sunspot, but we can roughly calculate how long it takes for a particular area of interest to rotate into view.

Right now on early Thursday morning, December 24, I can see an active area (number 1035) around +115 degrees longitude or so, about 25 degrees over the horizon. We can roughly assume that it is about 155 degrees longitude away from its reappearance at the -90 degree longitude horizon on the other side. This should be about 11-12 days from now. Of course we do not know if activity in this area will increase or decrease in the next couple of weeks.

At http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html we see a prediction for December 24 (in the December 23 forecast) showing predicted solar flux values of 76, 74, and 72 for December 24-26, continuing at 72 until January 4, around the time this region reemerges, when it rises to 75, then 77 for January 5-6, then 80 on January 7-9, and 85 for January 10-18.

We also see steady quiet geomagnetic conditions, with planetary A index rising slightly to 7, just for December 27-28. Or course, this could be wrong. Note that in the December 16-19 forecasts the expected planetary A index for December 20 was 15. Data from the bottom of our bulletin shows that planetary A index for that day was only 1.

The Winter Solstice occurred on Monday, December 21 at 1747 UTC in the Northern Hemisphere, and days are gradually growing longer. Spring Equinox is 179 days from today.

We've had reports from Robert Elek, W3HKK of Johnstown, Ohio in two recent bulletins, and again he comes through with some interesting observations.

Bob reports that John, ON4BW (Jean-Michel Debroux in Braine l'Alleud, Belgium) is running 600 watts to a 4 element 40 meter Yagi at 70 feet, and blasting a strong signal into North America during his mid-day, around 1100 UTC. Braine l'Alleud is about 10 miles south of Brussels. You can see a nice photo of ON4BW and the big antenna at http://www.qrz.com/hampages/w/b/on4bw/on4bw.jpg.

Bob says, "Time and time again, strong signals are heard from Europe 2-3 hours past their sunrise here in Ohio, during the so called dog-days of winter. The combination of a broadcast-station-free segment of 40 meters and growing global wealth have 40 meter Yagis popping up all over the 7.125-7.200 SSB band segment, with corresponding big sigs from around the globe. If you haven't been on 40 SSB for a few years, you WILL be surprised at how much 40 sounds like 20 meters used to sound. And, it only takes ONE Yagi to make the circuit, so give them a call. W3HKK is using 100 watts to a quarter wave ground plane just off the ground, with 6 radials."

"A reminder: This is the time to hear polar stations, north and southern latitudes. Antarctica, KC4AAC was heard just above the noise near 7.170 SSB, around 0100 UTC on December 20. Oleg, UU9JX/MM was worked from the Magellan Straits on 10.110 MHz at about the same time. Strong LU stations are regulars on 40 SSB in the evening. Plus OX, TF have been worked in recent weeks with big signals."

On December 18 Bob reported, "Another interesting Friday night on 40 SSB. At times during the evening, the band sounds pretty quiet. More stateside signals are being heard with the recent rise in sunspots. And a fair number of Central America and Caribbean stations come and go. But if you poke around, the juicy DX is there loud and clear. I2VRN is a beacon, and several EAs also 59+ are heard. Pair of A71

stations (Juma, A71EM and Jamil, A71FJ) were taking turns working DX on 7.130 MHz with signals around 5x9 from 0400-0445 UTC. 4L4TL joined in for a while. Juma noted they were over 2 hours past their sunrise and still the DX kept coming. Juma and Jamil are a couple of very nice guys looking to spread A71 contacts around to any takers. A71 activity on 40m has been almost daily all this week, through December 19."

"Then, tuning up into the 7.135-7.155 MHz range, at least eight ZS stations were heard working stateside, or rag-chewing in a morning ZS roundtable, at 0400-0430 UTC. Again it was at least one hour past their sunrise. ZS3D has been heard in Ohio on a nightly basis with signals between 57 and 59+10 running 500 watts to a 2 element hex beam."

Dick Grubb, W0QM of Boulder, Colorado used to work at the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center. He sent along an article he scanned from the current issue of Space Weather, the International Journal of Research and Applications from the American Geophysical Union. Titled "Slow Start to Solar Cycle Tied to Sluggish Interior Stream," it explains there is a slow moving river of gas deep inside the sun which may be the reason for the scarcity of sunspots and late start to the current solar cycle. Sonograms show it is currently moving much slower than normal.

The currents typically take 6-8 years to move from the poles to equator as they spiral east to west, and for this cycle it is taking 1-2 years longer.

When the stream reaches 22 degrees latitude, a new crop of sunspots and new solar cycle appears. The jet stream has finally reached critical latitudes for sunspot development, and we should look forward to a quick up-tick in activity. Solar activity is now expected to peak in May 2013.

The same publication announces a Space Weather Forecasting Contest. Unfortunately, they do not allow individual entrants without affiliation to some educational or research institution, but the criteria (high school students, researchers, grad students, alumni, etc) look pretty broad, so perhaps individuals may enter after all. Probably most of us are at least alumni of some high school, correct? You can see details at http://swxcontest.gmu.edu/.

The new issue of WorldRadio Online is out, at http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html. Check pages 22-24 for Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA's excellent monthly propagation feature, this month titled, "Is There a Most Advantageous Band and Time?"

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for December 17 through 23 were 24, 20, 43, 42, 42, 26, and 23 with a mean of 31.4. 10.7 cm flux was 86.9, 84.2, 81.7, 83.7, 82.7, 82.2, and 78.4 with a mean of 82.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2 and 2 with a mean of 1.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 2, 0, 2, 1, 2 and 3 with a mean of 1.7.
NNNN
/EX

12369. ARLD051 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-24 18:58:26 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 7944 Message: 12369

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD051
ARLD051 DX news

ZCZC AE51
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 51 ARLD051
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 24, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD051
ARLD051 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Sat, G4OHX will be QRV as 5R8HX from December 28 to January 3. Activity will be on the HF bands using mainly CW. QSL direct to home call.

ZAMBIA, 9J. Take is QRV as 9J2FM and has been active on 17 meters around 1900z. QSL via JA4ATV.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. John, ZS5J is currently QRV as C91J from Bilene. Lately he has been active on 40 meters using CW. QSL this operation to home call.

CHILE, CE. Al, K7CA is QRV as CE1/homecall until February 23. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW. This includes an entry in the Stew Perry contest and the upcoming CQ 160-Meter CW contest. QSL direct via NW7O.

MOROCCO, CN. To celebrate the New Year 2010 special event station CN10NY is QRV until March 18, 2010. QSL via EA7FTR.

ANTARCTICA. Felix, DL5XL is QRV as DP1POL from Neumayer Station III. He has been active on 80 meters around 2300z. QSL via DL1ZBO.

IRAN, EP. Mohammed, EP4MRG has been active on 20 meters using SSB around 1100z to 1300z. QSL direct.

THAILAND, HS. Joerg, DL1MJF will be QRV as HS0ZGQ from December 30 to January 25. This includes a one-week side trip to Koh Samui Island, IOTA AS-101. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

ITALY, I. Roger, K1DQV will be QRV as I1/homecall from Rapollo in the Stew Perry contest. QSL to home call.

OGASAWARA ISLAND, JD1. Harry, JG7PSJ and Makoto will be QRV as JD1BMH and JD1BLY, respectively, from Chichijima Island, IOTA AS-031, from December 27 to January 1. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Jim, G6PAA is QRV as VK6/homecall from Western Australia, IOTA OC-001, until January 13. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home call.

MEXICO, XE. In celebration of the 5th anniversary of the "Grupo DXXE," some members of Grupo DXXE are QRV as 4A1DXXE from various locations until December 31. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct via N7RO.

VENEZUELA, YV. Pasquale, YV6KAJ will be QRV as YW5EID from La Tortuga Island, IOTA SA-044, from December 26 to 29. Activity will be on 40 to 12 meters using SSB, RTTY, PSK and Olivia. QSL via EA5KB.

VANUATU, YJ. Nao, JK1FNL will be QRV as YJ0NA from Port Vila, IOTA OC-035, from December 28 to January 4. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Stew Perry Topband Challenge, DARC Christmas Contest, South Dakota QSO Party, PODXS 070 Club QRP DX PSK31 Scramble and the RAEM CW Contest are all on tap for this weekend. The Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party runs until January 3. Please see December QST, page 66, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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12370. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-24 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12370

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 24 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 358 Issued at 2200Z on 24 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 23/2100Z
to 24/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1038 (N13W81) was
a single spot Axx group today and continues to decay as it
approaches the west limb. No flares were observed during the past
24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low with a slight chance for an isolated C-flare.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 23/2100Z to 24/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. Solar wind observations from the
ACE spacecraft show a possible weak, short lived, coronal hole
signature during the past 24 hours. Velocities steadily increased
after 24/0300Z from 350 km/s to 450 km/s as the density decreased.
Solar wind speed has since slowly decreased and returned to around
350 km/s.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (25-27
December).
III. Event Probabilities 25 Dec-27 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 24 Dec 077
Predicted 25 Dec-27 Dec 074/072/072
90 Day Mean 24 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 23 Dec 003/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 24 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 25 Dec-27 Dec 005/005-005/005-007/007
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 25 Dec-27 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/10
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12371. [425ENG] 425 DX News #973

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-25 13:49:07 UTC
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Topic: 12371 Message: 12371

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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* TO ALL OUR READERS *
* WARMEST THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES *
* FOR A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY *
* AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR *
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9A - Tom, 9A2AA enjoys operating from Croatian islands and has
activated more than 500 of them ("exactly 523") so far. For this
reason he has been granted permission to use special prefix
callsign 9A500AA from 1 January through 31 December. QSL 9A2AA.
[TNX 9A2AA]
GJ - ON4PQ, ON5HC, ON5MF, ON7PQ and ON7USB will operate CW, SSB and
RTTY on 80-10 metres as MJ/OP9X/p from Les Minquiers (EU-099),
Jersey from 31 March to 7 April. QSL via ON4PQ, direct or bureau.
The web site for the operation is at http://www.eu099.be [TNX
ON4PQ]
HS - Joerg, DL1MJF will be active again as HS0ZGQ from Thailand from 30
December to 25 January, including a one week side trip to Koh
Samui (AS-101). He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres using
100 watts and a dipole. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
KL - Yuri/UA9OBA, Merle/N6PYN and Yuri/N3QQ plan to operate as KL7RRC
from Chirikof, Semidi Islands (NA-235, new one) in late July or
early August. This will be a "typical Russian Robinson Club
operation" for about one week, depending on weather conditions.
After the Chirikof operation is completed they might go and
operate as N6PYN/KL7 from the Seal Islands (NA-239). Further
information is expected in due course. [TNX www.islandchaser.com]
OH - Celebrating her 20th anniversary in amateur radio, Anne, OH2YL will
be active again as OG20YL from 30 December to 3 January. She will
operate CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX OH2YL]
PA - Celebrating the 600th anniversary of the charter that granted city
rights to Purmerend, special event station PC600P will be active

on 1-27 January, 1-28 May and 1-28 September. QSL via PA3HGP. All
of the QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL after each activity
period, and will be confirmed automatically via the bureau after
the last activity period. Local operators are expected to operate
under special prefix callsigns (i.e. PA600MIR, PA601FR, PA602SWL,
PA603HGP, PD602YL, PE603HG, etc) during the same time frames.
Information on the relevant short time award will be available at
http://hamradio.nikhef.nl/afdeling/waterland/ [TNX PA0MIR]
PJ4 - Hennie, PE1MAE will be active again as PJ4/PE1MAE from Bonaire
(SA-006) for a couple of months starting around 10 January. He
will operate SSB mainly on 40 metres around 00.00 UTC. QSL via
PA2NJC, direct or bureau. [TNX PA2NJC]
PY0F - Fred, PY2XB will be active as PY2XB/PY0F from Fernando de Noronha
(SA-003) from 23 January to 3 February. He will operate on all
bands CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK, and will participate in the CQ WW
160M DX Contest (CW) as PQ0F. QSL via PT7WA, direct or bureau.
[TNX PT7WA]
V8 - Jan, DL7JAN will be active as V88/DL7JAN from Bandar Seri Begawan,
the capital city of Brunei (OC-088), from 22 February to 3 March.
He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via
home call, direct or bureau. [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]
VK - The VK6IOA expedition to the Houtman Abrolhos (OC-211) [425DXN
964] has changed destination, and will be going to the Wallabi
group instead of Robertson Island. The operators (Wally/VK6YS,
Nigel/VK6NI and Bruce/KD6WW) expect to be QRV by 4 UTC on 31
December. They plan to have three stations active at the same
time. QSL via VK4AAR. The web page for the expedition can be found
at http://www.westozdx.net/index.html
VK - VI2AJ2010 is the very special callsign to be used by Scouts under
the guidance of Fishers Ghost Amateur Radio Club members (VK2FFG)
during the 22nd Australian Jamboree (4-14 January). QSL via
operator's instructions. [TNX VK2IA]
VP2M - Mike, W1USN will be operate mainly SSB and PSK31 as VP2MPR from
Montserrat (NA-103) from 28 February to 13 March. Bob, AA1M will
operate mostly CW as VP2MPL on 3-11 March. QSL via home calls.
[TNX AA1M]
XE - Celebrating the Centennial of the Mexican Revolution and the
Bicentennial of Mexico's Independence, the Radio Club Queretaro
(XE1RCQ) will operate as 4A1B from 1 January to 31 December. QSL
via LZ3HI. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW.
YI - YI9PSE will be active from Erbil, Iraq [425DXN 971] on 3-11 April.
Paul, N6PSE and others (for the time being AH6HY, JH4RHF, K3VN,
N2WB, N6NU, N6OX, NI6T, W8HW and YI1UNH) plan to operate CW, SSB
and RTTY on 160-10 metres with at least three stations at the same
time. QSL via N6NKT. Further information can be found at
http://www.yi9pse.com/ [TNX http://dx-hamspirit.com/]

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5R8IC ---> A few pictures of Eric's (F6ICX) latest activity as 5R8IC (AF-090) can be found at http://f6kbk.free.fr/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm; a log search (including his activity in 2008) is available at http://logsearch.de [TNX F6GCP]

CAROLINA DX ASSOCIATION ---> At its annual meeting held on 9 December, the Carolina DX Association (http://www.cdxa.org/)elected the following officers to serve for 2010: Ted Goldthorpe/W4VHF (President), Paul Ponak/AD4IE (Vice President), Cliff Wagoner/W3ZL (Secretary-Treasurer), John Scott/K8YC (Newsletter Editor), Dick Williams/W3OA (Contest Manager), Joe Simpkins/K4MD and Paul Sturpe/W3GQ (Cluster Managers), Wayne Setzer/WB4BXW (Webmaster). [TNX K8YC]

OH CONTEST/DX CONFERENCE ---> The 15th annual CCF (Contest Club Finland) and OHDXF (OH DXFoundation, http://www.ohdxf.fi) Contest & DX Conference will be held at the Islande Hotel in Riga, Latvia on 22-24 January. Further information, prices and registration details are available at http://www.contestclubfinland.com/CCF/

QSL C4SV ---> The Cyprus Amateur Radio Society (CARS) QSL bureau is receiving significant numbers of QSLs for C4SV. The QSL manager for C4SV is SV2DGH, and QSLs should be sent to him at via the RAAG (SV) QSL bureau. C4SV QSLs should NOT be sent to the CARS bureau. At best, QSLs sent to the CARS bureau will suffer significant delays. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

WILLIS ISLAND ---> Dave, VK9WBM [425DXN 970] has been on Willis Island for a while and is experiencing unexpected problems. "I am slowly getting on HF", he says, "but I am not there yet. I cannot erect a mast, the soil is coral rubble and sand and will not hold a guy peg. The soil is a bone dry insulator and I have been unable to get any viable earth. The longwire has worked 2 stations and is to be removed and replaced with a balanced antenna. This will take a bit of work as I have no ATU except the Icom AH4, an unbalanced only auto ATU. On 6m I am unable to mount the beam anywhere useful. It can only point out to the ocean. I have built a 300ohm slim jim and worked about 40 stations, mainly VK2 but with some VK3,4,5 and one ZL2. Listen for me in the afternoons on 6m, between 0400z and 0900z". When he is "reliably on HF", he anticipates it "will be 40m and harmonics only". [TNX MM0NDX]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Fritz Zwingli (HB9RE), Roberto Rossi (I5RRE), Giuseppe Montuschi (IK4EPI), Gary D. Poorman (K4VT), Henry W. Herman (W3UJ) and Fred "Angus" Small (ZL3FS).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A2MD, 3D20CR, 3D2GM, 3D2KJ, 3D2MJ, 3D2NB, 3X5A, 4J3M, 4S7NE, 4U1ITU, 4X/N2TA, 5F1ROM, 5H3EE, 5H3VMB/5 (AF-074), 5K0T, 5N0OCH, 5Q1A, 5W0KH, 5X1VB, 6Y1V, 6Y5WJ, 7P8MM, 7P8VB,

7Q7HB, 8P9SS, 8R1PY, 9H3DB, 9J2FM, 9M6DXX/p (OC-133), 9M6JC, 9M6XRO/p (OC-133), A52FJJ, A71BU, A92GR, AI5P/VK9N, AP2TN, BA4TB, BD4QH, BU2AQ, BW3/DJ3KR, C37URE, C6ATA, C91VM/5 (AF-088), CE1/K7CA, CE2/K0MD, CM6RCR, CP4BT, CX5BW, CX7CO, DU3NXE, E51NOU, EA9/OL8R, EA9EU, EE9K, ER8C, ES1LBK, EY8MM, FK8CP, FM5LD, FO/F6CTL, FO/G3BJ, FO5RH, FP/KV1J, FT5GA, GJ2A, H44MY (OC-127), HH7/N3BNA, HI8RV, HV0A, HZ1AN, IM0A (EU-165), IY1NGM, J20VB, J68JA, J79ZG, JD1BMM, K5D, KH7XS, KL7RRC/p (NA-233), KV4FZ, LA2NK (EU-044), LX/PA6Z, OJ0B, OX3R, P29NI (OC-205),P29VCX (OC-102), P29VLR (OC-231), P49Y, PJ4A, PY0FF, PZ5M, S04R, ST2R, SU8LH, SY2A, T27OU, T2G, T30GM, T77NM, T88CW, TK9X, TM0M, TN5SN, TO4X, TO8YY, TX5SPA, TX5SPM, TY1MS, TZ6JA, UA9UZZ, UU4JDD/p (EU-180), UU4JDD/P (EU-180), V47NT, V51AS, VK9DWX, VP2MDG, VP2MNK, VP2MXO, VP2V/DL7VOG, VP2V/KG9N, VP2V/KN5H, VP2VVV, VP8DIF, VP8YLC, VP9KF, VQ9LA, VQ9RD, VR2009EAG, W3FO/KH2, WN1Y/NH2, XE2WWW, XE2YBG, XV2RZ, XV4D, YJ0CCC, YN2N, YW5F, Z21BC, ZA0/IK7JWX, ZB2EO, ZB2FK, ZC4VJ, ZD7X, ZK2BJ, ZL7/N7OU.

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12372. [425ENG] 425 DX News #973 [Calendar]

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12373. Iceland $ or IRC?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-25 22:02:24 UTC
From: wc5m
Topic: 12373 Message: 12373

I need to send a direct QSL to a station in Iceland, but none of the IRC charts I can find mention whether I should send Green Stamps (and how many) or an IRC to get a QSL sent back to the USA. Any of you guys know?

Mark WC5M

12374. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-25 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12374

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:Issued: 2009 Dec 25 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 359 Issued at 2200Z on 25 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 24/2100Z
to 25/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. No flares were observed.
The visible disk was spotless.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 24/2100Z to 25/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. Solar wind observations from the ACE
satellite decreased gradually after 24/2235Z, from 380 km/s to 282
km/s at 25/1457Z. Velocities then increased to 354 km/s at 25/1708Z
as the density increased to a peak of 13 p/cc. The interplanetary
magnetic field (IMF) increased, with the total field reaching +10 nT
at 25/1852Z. The southward component of the IMF ranged between -8 nT
and +7 nT, with the peak of -8 nT at 25/1609Z. This activity is
consistent with the arrival of the partial halo coronal mass
ejection (CME) observed on 22 December.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet, with isolated unsettled periods
possible at high latitudes, on day one (26 December). Quiet levels
are expected on days two and three (27-28 December).
III. Event Probabilities 26 Dec-28 Dec
Class M 01/01/01
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 25 Dec 076
Predicted 26 Dec-28 Dec 072/072/072
90 Day Mean 25 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 24 Dec 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 25 Dec 003/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 26 Dec-28 Dec 007/007-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 26 Dec-28 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 10/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12375. Re: [DX-IS] Iceland $ or IRC?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-25 22:42:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12373 Message: 12375

At 06:02 PM 12/25/2009, you wrote:
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>IRC charts I can find mention whether I should send Green Stamps
>(and how many) or an IRC to get a QSL sent back to the USA. Any of
>you guys know?
>
>Mark WC5M

Two GSs have always worked for me to Iceland.

73, Paul VE1DX

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-25 23:05:01 UTC
From: wc5m
Topic: 12373 Message: 12376

Thanks Paul.

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12377. Re: [DX-IS] Re: Iceland $ or IRC?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-26 01:27:00 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 12373 Message: 12377

Go the site I have in this response -- all are members of the International Postal Union or Universal Postal Union and they have agreed to accept IRCs from member countries
http://www.upu.int/members/en/members.html
send cash money at your own risk
Ireland is a member of the UPU

Michael W. Elliott
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St. Louis County Missouri

--- On Fri, 12/25/09, wc5m <wc5m@...> wrote:

From: wc5m <wc5m@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Iceland $ or IRC?
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, December 25, 2009, 5:05 PM

Thanks Paul.

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12378. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-26 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12378

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 26 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 360 Issued at 2200Z on 26 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 25/2100Z
to 26/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. New Region 1039 (S26E45)
was numbered today as a three-spot, Bxo-beta spot group. During the
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The largest of these was a B4.8 at 1657Z.
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Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 26 Dec 076
Predicted 27 Dec-29 Dec 076/077/078
90 Day Mean 26 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 25 Dec 003/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 26 Dec 002/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 27 Dec-29 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 27 Dec-29 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12379. Check out my photos on Facebook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-27 01:05:11 UTC
From: Gary Huber
Topic: 12379 Message: 12379

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Thanks,
Gary

To sign up for Facebook, follow the link below:
http://www.facebook.com/p.php?i=751945618&k=3ZDU42QZ4T6G6BD1TJXUT3QSU6BAY3WCQ4IU&r

Already have an account? Add this email address to your account http://www.facebook.com/n/?merge_accounts.php&e=dx-is@yahoogroups.com&c=b735d3bfdc12841693bc63c07eacf092.dx-is@yahoogroups.com was invited to join Facebook by Gary Huber. If you do not wish to receive this type of email from Facebook in the future, please click on the link below to unsubscribe.
http://www.facebook.com/o.php?k=05e58b&u=100000587958006&mid=1a0aff5G5af33385c6f6G0G8
Facebook's offices are located at 1601 S. California Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94304.

12380. Re: [DX-IS] Check out my photos on Facebook

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-27 14:44:59 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12379 Message: 12380

I apologize. This was inadvertent and unintentional.

73,

Gary - AB9M

From: Gary Huber
Sent: Saturday, December 26, 2009 7:05 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Check out my photos on Facebook

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http://www.facebook.com/p.php?i=751945618&k=3ZDU42QZ4T6G6BD1TJXUT3QSU6BAY3WCQ4IU&r

Already have an account? Add this email address to your account here.

Other people you may know on Facebook: Felix Riess
Jon Maguire
Tampa Bay, FL Michael Johnson

dx-is@yahoogroups.com was invited to join Facebook by Gary Huber. If you do not wish to receive this type of email from Facebook in the future, please click here to unsubscribe. Facebook's offices are located at 1601 S. California Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94304.

12381. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #940

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-27 22:02:25 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 12381 Message: 12381

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 940

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 940
BID: $OPDX.940
December 28, 2009
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, N7OU, K8YSE, AT International, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DX World of Ham Radio Web Site, FO8RZ, I1HYW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, PA7FM, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, PT7WA, RA3CO, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VK2IA and VU2PTT for the following DX information.

*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy New Year". Thanks to the many individuals who have provided DX information over the past year. Without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin. Also, thanks to the individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....
73 and Have a Great/Safe/Healthy New Year de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 20th-December, through Sunday, 27th-December there were 213 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J7, JA, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9W, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4Z, ISRAEL. Alex, 4Z5KJ, will be active as 4Z5J during the CQ 160m CW Contest (January 29-31st, 2010) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via W0MM.

6W, SENEGAL (Early Announcement). Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active as 6W1RY during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st, 2010) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Dimtiri/RA3CO and Yuri/RL3FT will be active as C6AWL during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via RX3RC. Dimtiri informs OPDX that he will arrive a few days before the contest and will be active on all bands CW, but prefers 30 and 17 meters.

CM2, CUBA. Frank, CM2IR, informs OPDX that he will once again be active between January 1-3rd, on 40 meters [CW around 7015 kHz and SSB around 7125 kHz], and also 15/12/10 meters SSB between 2200-0300z to bring in the New Year. Reference numbers are: CQ 8, ITU 11, IOTA NA-015 and GRID LOCATOR EL83TC. QSL via EB7DX, his QSL Manager, with 2 USDs or IRCs. Interests are: QRP CW, Europe, Islands, and Africa.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Phil, FO8RZ (F5PHW), continues to be active on the bands (especially topband). He has announced this past week that he will be very active on 160m during his sunrise (around 1500z; calling on 1831 kHz +/- QRM and listening on 1824 kHz +/- QRM) until December 30th. If he does not hear anything, he will then move onto 80m, then after to 30m. QSL via F8BPN, direct, by the bureau, LotW.

HH, HAITI. Pierre, HB9AMO, is now active as HH/HB9AMO from Haiti for about one month. Activity will be limited to his spare time. He will be using a TS-50 with 100 watts into wire antennas operating CW ONLY, mainly on 30-17 meters. His QSL Manager is PA7FM: Dennis Robbemond, Loggerhof 11, 3181 NS ROZENBURG, Netherlands. An online log will be available later, but a small Web site is up and running at: http://www.hhhb9amo.pa7fm.nl

HS, THAILAND. Joerg, DL1MJF, is expected to be active from here again as HS0ZGQ between December 30th and January 25th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW/SSB using a Kenwood TS-50 and a dipole antenna. Joerg will also once again stay for one week on the Island of Koh Samui (AS-101) and will operate as HS0ZGQ/2. QSL via DL1MJF.

IOTA NEWS.....
OC-211. (Update) Operators Wally/VK6YS, Nigel/VK6NI and Bruce/KD6WW plan to be active as VK6IOA from Houtman Abrolhos in the Wallabi Island Group between December 31st and January 4th, 2010. They will definitely have the three stations on simul-taneously. Operations should be on 40-15 meters. QSL via VK4AAR. Visit their Web site at: http://www.westozdx.net/IOTAS/OC211/OC211.html

SA-041. Members of the Araucaria DX Group and the ForDX group are
planning to activate the Island of Maiau (DFB MA-01) during
June of 2010. This is the same group of operators who activated
PW6C from Coroa Vermelha Island and Coroa Da Barra Island.
More details are forthcoming.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For December 28th-January 3rd)....
Dec 28 AN SOLAR REFERENCE
Dec 29 AN ---------------
Dec 30 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Dec 31 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jan 01 AN LN - Low Normal
Jan 02 AN
Jan 03 AN GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

NEED TO KNOW A GRID SQUARE? The following Web pages may be of interest
for those who chase Grid Squares (Grid Locators) or for those who need
to know their Grid:
Enter your address (or callsign) at:
http://www.levinecentral.com/ham/grid_square.php

Zoom in to your QTH and click on it, and it will display
your grid at: http://f6fvy.free.fr/qthLocator/fullScreen.php

NH7, HAWAII. Al, NH7A, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest
(March 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ.

OG20, FINLAND (Special Event). Anne, OH2YL, will be active using the
special callsign OG20YL from Karjalohja between December 30th and Janaury
3rd (2010). Activity is to celebrate receiving her ham license 20 years
ago. Operations will be on the HF bands and CW. QSL via her home callsign.

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Fred, PY2XB, will once agin be active as
PY2XB/PY0F from Fernando de Noronha (SA-03) between January 23rd and
February 3rd, 2010. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB,
RTTY and PSK. His activities will include the CQ 160M CW Contest (January
29-31st), but he will sign as PQ0F. QSL via PT7WA. See photos from his
last operation at: http://www.py2yp.com/py2xb

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
AT1HQ ON LOTW. Prasad, VU2PTT, QSL Manager for AT1HQ, informs OPDX that
"the logs for Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) HQ station in IARU
Contest 2009 have just been uploaded to ARRL Logbook of The World. If
anyone has made multiple QSOs with this station, the Grid Locator for
each QSO may vary based on band and mode of QSO as we had stations in
different parts of the country for this HQ operation. The AT1HQ station
locations were at VU2BGS, VU2PAI, VU2PTT, VU2SWS, VU2TS and VU2UR. The
QSL cards, both direct and via bureau will take some more time and will

be notified shortly."

QSLS VIA LoTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2MJ, 3D2NB, 4U1UN, 5X1NH, 7P8MM, 8R1PY, 9M6XRO, 9N7JO, A92GE, BA4TB, BY4USA, C37URE, EA9/OL8R, EU7SA, FG5FR, FO/G3BJ, FO5RH, FT5GA, G3SWH, G3TXF, HA0HW, JT1CO, K5D, KL7RRC/P, M0URX, NI5DX, P29NI, P49Y, PJ4A, SU8LH, SV1CQN, SY2A, T8CW, T88CW, TY1MS, TO4X, TO8YY, TX5SPA, TX5SPM, TZ6JA, V26B, VK9LA, VP2MNK, VP2V/DL7VOG, VP8YCE, XV4D, YJ0CCC, ZA0/IK7JWX, ZB2FK, ZD7X and ZK2BJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 6M0W, 9M2GCN, DL4JS/6W, EA7HW, ER1RR, ER3DX, FK8CP, FO/N6JA, GB25FC, GW4CC, JO7CVU, MJ/F5CWU, OH1OR, OH2DZ/p, PY2OMS, RW0LT, TM6BRE, VP2ERV, VU2SWS and WI8R

R1, ANTARCTIC. Alex, UA1PAW (ex-RZ1PWA and R1ANF), now operating as R1ANR from Novo Runway in Antarctica, is expected to be there until the end of February 2010. Gianni, I1HYW, who spoke with Alex states, "He (Alex) said propagation is only open around 2000z on 40m. While 10/15/20/30m are closed. He is running a Stepp-IR all band vertical antenna using a Yaesu MARK V RTX and PA ACOM 2000A. He also said that he is worried as DX bulletins are reporting incorrect info about his QSL Manager, so this is the QSL route: QSL Manager is Nick Shapkin, RK1PWA for the Russian and Ukrainian Hams. While for the other countries his QSL Manager is ZS1ANF: Oleg S. Sakharov, P.O. Box 15968, Vlaeberg RSA, Cape Town, Western Cape 8018, SOUTH AFRICA." For more info and photos, see his blog at: http://alex-v-shmarin.livejournal.com

VI2, AUSTRALIA (Special Event). Look for the special callsign, VI2AJ2010, to be used by Scouts under the guidance of Fishers Ghost Amateur Radio Club members (VK2FFG) at Cataract Scout Park, near Sydney, during the upcoming triennial Australian Scout Jamboree (AJ2010), to take place January 4-14th, 2010. With registrations of 10,000+ Scouts and 3000 Scout Leaders, VI2AJ2010 will be active on HF, VHF and node 6111 to promote their hobby. QSL via VK2FFG (bureau/direct).

VP9,BERMUDA. Kurt, W6PH, will be active as VP9/W6PH for the 2010 ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) and ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL direct to his home callsign W6PH.

YI, IRAQ (Update). A group of operators called the "YI9PSE DXpedition team" are planning to operate from Kurdistan and be active between April 3-11th. The team will receive a ten day visa issued by the Government of Kurdistan. A band/mode survey is available on their Web site at: http://www.yi9pse.com/survey.html
Suggested frequencies are also published on their Web page and OPDX.937. The current updated YI9PSE Team consists of the following operators: Paul/N6PSE (Team Leader), Andreas/N6NU, Bob/N6OX, Bruce/W8HW, Garry/NI6T, David/AH6HY, Bill/N2WB, Al/K3VN, Jun/JH4RHF and Heathem/YI1UNH. Pilot stations are: Don/N1DG, Chuck/AA6G and Toshikazu/JA1ELY. The group is also looking for donations to help fund their DXpedition. Donations can

be made via PayPal or mail a check to: Kurdistan 2010 DXpedition,
3052 Wetmore Dr., San Jose, CA 95148, USA. Online logs will be available
during and after the DXpedition. QSL via N6NKT. For more details and
updates, visit: http://www.yi9pse.com

ZK3, TOKELAU (Also 5W). Look for operators Bill/N7OU and Bob/W7YAQ to
operate from the Tokelau Islands (OC-048) between February 17th and
March 10th, 2010. The exact dates of their operation may change because
the only access to the Tokelau Islands is by boat. Their activities
will include an entry in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February
20-21st). Operations will be on 160-10 meters but mainly on CW, with
some SSB and RTTY, using 100 watts and vertical antennas. Also, look
for them to operate from Apia, Samoa (5W), before they sail to Tolelau
and after between February 10-16th and March 11-15th. All callsigns
are to be announced. QSL via their home callsigns.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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/EXIT
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Dont worry Gary, nice to know what you like like ! Rob VK6HG
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Thanks,
Gary

To sign up for Facebook, follow the link below:
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Already have an account? Add this email address to your account here.

Other people you may know on Facebook: Felix Riess
Jon Maguire
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12384. 2009 PSK-31 QSN Report DXCC entity count

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 13:58:39 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12384 Message: 12384

In reviewing 2009 QRZ DX's QSN Reports, I counted 160 DXCC entities on 20M PSK-31. Included in the count XV, 4W, 9M6, FR, A3, V8, and XT just to name a few of the less common "garden variety" stuff.

Best regards,

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gary.huber@...

12385. Re: [DX-IS] 2009 PSK-31 QSN Report DXCC entity count

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 14:21:18 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12384 Message: 12385

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 15:49:34 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 12384 Message: 12386

Don't forget that some rigs now have it built it. You can run it without any external support. Not as easy to use but in a pinch it can but a rare location on the air. Can even do RTTY on my IC7000 (if I want to go prematurely blind)
Bob KB1JZU

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Date: 2009-12-28 15:54:32 UTC
From: Bob
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 17:26:19 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12384 Message: 12388

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Date: 2009-12-28 16:28:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12384 Message: 12389

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 18:32:43 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 12384 Message: 12390

I know HAL Communications at least was making smaller RTTY TU's with monitor screens around 1975, possibly earlier, because we had one at W9YH back then (University of Illinois club station). I think HAL donated it to us. I have to wonder if anyone lugged a teletype machine around to a DXpedition earlier, when there were no small TU's with video screens. We had one of those at W9YH too. I can remember it running for hours as someone printed out a picture that was several feet long.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 20:13:06 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12384 Message: 12391

Still you need to be able to receive and transmit understanding the DX basics. While you may be able to work a bunch with a little luck and the broad-band decode function, working the pile-up split is a whole different game. But if you can relate visual indication to your audio DXing experience, you can have real success.

The PSK-31 sound card technology is really good for anyone with diminished hearing and decode ability especially those with auditory nerve damage.

73 & DX,

Gary - AB9M

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Sent: Monday, December 28, 2009 8:21 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 2009 PSK-31 QSN Report DXCC entity count

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 20:40:44 UTC
From: CSM(r) Gary Huber - AB9M
Topic: 12384 Message: 12392

QRP not QRO for PSK-31 since the stronger signals in the USB passband tend to either cause AGC compression or IMD products in the soundcard. When I've asked several recent DX-peditions to offer PSK-31, they have declined saying (rightly so) that they did NOT want cause QRM from QRO operators to the mode. Still for the basic, small pistol DXer with a low power (5W-30W is typical), small antenna in rare or semi-rare location, PSK-31 can be great way to to efficiently make lots of QSOs with similar stations.

I find there are many older (60-90 years old) DXers in the rarer locations who can frequently found on PSK-31. And while I hang out mostly on 20M, there is a bunch of DX on the 40M PSK-31 frequencies.

I spend six to ten hours a week average chasing PSK-31 DX, but there are many who spend more time and who are much more successful working PSK-31 DX than I.

Happy New Year.

73 & DX,

Gary - AB9M

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Sent: Monday, December 28, 2009 11:26 AM
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12393. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-28 22:11:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12393

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 28 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 362 Issued at 2200Z on 28 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 27/2100Z
to 28/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1039 (S28E18) has
shown little change from yesterday and remains a beta group. No
flares were observed during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low. There is a chance for an isolated C-flare from Region
1039.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 27/2100Z to 28/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. Observations from the ACE
spacecraft show solar wind velocities average around 335 km/s with
minor fluctuations in the IMF southward component, Bz, from +2/-2
nT.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be predominantly quiet for the next three days (29-31
December).
III. Event Probabilities 29 Dec-31 Dec
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 28 Dec 076
Predicted 29 Dec-31 Dec 078/078/079
90 Day Mean 28 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 27 Dec 001/002
Estimated Afr/Ap 28 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 29 Dec-31 Dec 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 29 Dec-31 Dec
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12394. 4K2JF/P

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-29 14:51:05 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12394 Message: 12394

DX Summit is of no help in identifying 4K2JF/P. DXbase says he's in Franz Josef Land. My guess is that he's a pretty persistent pirate.

I found his CW to be somewhat difficult to copy and listened to him for quite a while yesterday and for 20 minutes or so this morning. He offered no clues as to his whereabouts, leading me to believe he's a member of the Slim family. Does anyone have any definitive information on this station?

73

Al, VE1AL

12395. ZDR

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-29 21:04:03 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12395 Message: 12395

Please excuse my total ignorance. In recent months I have heard the term "zdr" as some sort of salutation (I think) on CW. Can anyone tell me what this means?

73

Al, VE1AL

12396. Re: [DX-IS] ZDR

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-29 21:13:47 UTC
From: wc6dx@aol.com
Topic: 12395 Message: 12396

Al,

if used by Russian hams, it's zdravstvuyte, Russian for hello.

73 de Will WC6DX

-----Original Message-----
From: Alan Leith <aleith@syd.eastlink.ca>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tue, Dec 29, 2009 1:04 pm
Subject: [DX-IS] ZDR

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Yahoo! Groups Links

12397. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-29 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12397

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 29 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 363 Issued at 2200Z on 29 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 28/2100Z
to 29/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1039 (S28E06)
remains a D-type sunspot group with a beta magnetic classification.
However, the GONG imagery does show some new emerging flux today in
the intermediate area of the sunspot group. No flares were observed
during the past 24 hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low. There is a chance for an isolated C-flare from Region
1039.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 28/2100Z to 29/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet. Penticton 10.7 Flux estimated today
(29 December) due to non receipt.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (30 December - 01
January).
III. Event Probabilities 30 Dec-01 Jan
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 29 Dec 078
Predicted 30 Dec-01 Jan 078/079/079
90 Day Mean 29 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 28 Dec 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 29 Dec 001/005
Predicted Afr/Ap 30 Dec-01 Jan 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 30 Dec-01 Jan
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12398. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-30 22:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12398

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 29 2237 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
:::::::::: Corrected Copy ::::::::::
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Predicted 30 Dec-01 Jan 078/079/079
90 Day Mean 29 Dec 074
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Observed Afr/Ap 28 Dec 001/001
Estimated Afr/Ap 29 Dec 001/005
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12399. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-30 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12399

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 30 2200 UTC
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Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 364 Issued at 2200Z on 30 Dec 2009
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showed little change and maintained a D-type sunspot group and beta
magnetic classification. No flares were observed during the past 24
hours.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low. There is a slight chance of an isolated C-flare from
Region 1039.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 29/2100Z to 30/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (31 December - 02
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III. Event Probabilities 31 Dec-02 Jan
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12400. 160 Meter Receiving Loop Info Wanted

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-30 22:36:46 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12400 Message: 12400

I decided last year to get on 160. I had not been on since 1985 and that was only for a few weeks. Now that I have some land I thought 160 DXCC would be a nice goal.

I built a KN4LF Receiving Loop, it's just a 25' length of RG-6 on a PVC cross. It hears, but I think I should be able to hear better. Of course, not being on 160 before I don't have much to compare with.

I thought maybe a "bigger" loop antenna would work better, but all the designs I see are based on the same size as the KN4LF Loop. Does anyone know where I can find info on a bigger loop ?

I have info on the antenna used at Mellish and Chesterfield and that may be the way to go, but first I want to explore the Loop more.

Thanks for any help,

73, Dick, W1KSZ

12401. NEED HELP WITH QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 00:39:47 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12401 Message: 12401

Am putting together a DXCC submission. Have a SV card in which the op wrote the month in Greek. Anybody able to help me? It reads: a triangle, E, K

TIA

Dale H. Cole K8TS

12402. RE: [DX-IS] NEED HELP WITH QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 00:51:24 UTC
From: RICHARD SOLOMON
Topic: 12401 Message: 12402

I am not fluent in greek, but it looks like Dec(ember).
Triangle=Delta ??

73, Dick, W1KSZ

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: k9ttt@...
Date: Thu, 31 Dec 2009 00:39:47 +0000
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Dale H. Cole K8TS

12403. Re: [DX-IS] NEED HELP WITH QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 01:03:18 UTC
From: W4ABW@aol.com
Topic: 12401 Message: 12403

DEK. is the closest I could find. Its translates as December.

Al
W4ABW

12404. Re: [DX-IS] NEED HELP WITH QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 01:24:15 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 12401 Message: 12404

Dale, what does your own log say? Does December match? SV is not that rare; if it's rejected, work another on that band/mode. Easy for me to say, I guess.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in snowy far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from beautiful Miquelon in July 2010 for the IARU HF Contest

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12405. Re: [DX-IS] NEED HELP WITH QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 01:27:16 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 12401 Message: 12405

I would send it in and let them get it am sure they have seen that before. And as Peg said what is in your log.

Charles F. Frost
Frosty K5LBU
frosty1@...
http://www.africandxsafari.com

----- Original Message -----
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 30, 2009 7:24 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] NEED HELP WITH QSL

Dale, what does your own log say? Does December match? SV is not that rare; if it's rejected, work another on that band/mode. Easy for me to say, I guess.

73 de Peg KB9LIE in snowy far SW Wisconsin USA
FP/KB9LIE from beautiful Miquelon in July 2010 for the IARU HF Contest

--- On Wed, 12/30/09, Dale Cole K8TS <k9ttt@...> wrote:

Am putting together a DXCC submission. Have a SV card in which the op wrote the month in Greek. Anybody able to help me? It reads: a triangle, E, K

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.722 / Virus Database: 270.14.123/2594 - Release Date: 12/30/09 01:27:00

12406. 160 meter Loop

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 02:01:47 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12406 Message: 12406

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, RICHARD SOLOMON <w1ksz@...> wrote:
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>
> I decided last year to get on 160. I had not been on since 1985 and that
> was only for a few weeks. Now that I have some land I thought 160 DXCC
> would be a nice goal.

Dick, I like & work 160 Meters, but have not tried an indoor loop. However, there is a reflector dedicated to 160 meters at http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/Topband. There are a lot of guys on that reflector that have been working 160 for years, and really know their stuff. It will be well worth your while to join that group.

I might also suggest that you consider a K9AY loop array. I have used one for several years and it works well. You will need a pre-amp which can be placed in the shack. The information for building a homebrew version of th K9AY loop is available on the internet, but I don't have that URL immediately available. Also, look in the latest edition of the ON4UN Low band DXing publication by ARRL.

While the K9AY loop array isn't as simple as a single rotatable loop, I believe it will be more effective. Either way you are in an excellent location for working plenty of DX from Europe & Africa.

Good Luck.

73,
Mike, W5UC
Age & treachery will overcome youth & skill
http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12407. K9Ay Receiving Array

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 02:19:07 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12407 Message: 12407

Here is an excellent discussion of this simple antenna.

http://www.dxzone.com/cgi-bin/dir/jump2.cgi?ID=13815

73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12408. Would I send that on HF?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 02:53:13 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 12408 Message: 12408

There was a recent blow up on the DX-IS list. It has been
resolved. I added the following "rule", and I hope it is self-explanatory:

"Please ask yourself the following question before you click send:
'Would I give my callsign, and then say this on HF?.' If the answer
is no, don't click."

It's tough advocating freedom of speech while trying to keep
the politics and religion out of our discussions.

The sunspots seem to be finally returning, and it looks like
those of us having DX holes on 15/12/10 may fill them in
2010/2011/2012. Maybe even 6M. Cross your fingers, friends. There
are lots of good DX days ahead.

Paul VE1DX (Co-owner DX-IS list)

12409. help with QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 03:10:28 UTC
From: Dale Cole K8TS
Topic: 12409 Message: 12409

Thanks everyone for you answers----'specially you Peg.....never even thought of looking in log, and Dec is correct after looking.

Dale K8TS

BTW--Best of New Year to all !

12410. S-Meter bulb for IC-761

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 03:11:30 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 12410 Message: 12410

Several months ago, maybe much longer, I received a few original bulbs for my 761s S-Meter from a friend who purchased the last bunch that ICOM had. I must have had a little power surge today because the first of the two bulbs I had has blown. I've installed the second one of the bulbs (three of them were crushed in transit even though they were wrapped in bubble wrap) so I now have no more of the five that were sent to me. Does anyone have a couple of these bulbs they could spare or has anyone come up with a reasonable alternative?

73

Al, VE1AL

12411. Re: [DX-IS] S-Meter bulb for IC-761

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 03:24:27 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12410 Message: 12411

Alan Leith wrote:
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> my 761s S-Meter from a friend who purchased the last bunch that ICOM had.
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> wrap) so I now have no more of the five that were sent to me. Does anyone
> have a couple of these bulbs they could spare or has anyone come up with a
> reasonable alternative?
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
>
Al, how about Mouser? I would be totally surprised if ICOM had a
special bulb made just for them. Tell me the type & I will look in the
Mouser catalog.

73,
Mike, W5UC
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http://www.suddenlink.net/pages/w5uc/

12412. Re: [DX-IS] NEED HELP WITH QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 03:20:23 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12401 Message: 12412

What does your log show?
Rene
----- Original Message -----
From: Dale Cole K8TS
To: DX-IS
Sent: Wednesday, December 30, 2009 4:39 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] NEED HELP WITH QSL

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TIA

Dale H. Cole K8TS

12413. Re: [DX-IS] Would I send that on HF?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 03:42:44 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 12408 Message: 12413

One problem is that politics are intertwined with DXing, and how certain entities are defined. One good example is the former "countries" of H5, V9, S8. They were more independent than the Soviet Republics were at that time, or that GW, GM, etc were, but because someone sitting in Newington (as well as many other places) didn't agree with the South African politics at the time, they never received country status. Okino Tori Shima was another good example.

There are certain political topics that are not relevant to DXing, though.

73s John AA5JG

--- On Wed, 12/30/09, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Would I send that on HF?
To: "DX IS!" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Wednesday, December 30, 2009, 8:53 PM

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12414. lotw help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 11:18:41 UTC
From: DE1DXX@aol.com
Topic: 12414 Message: 12414

Hi and a Happy New Year to all!

I got yesterday an email from LotW with my password.
Everything works fine and I see even QSL-records :-)

When uploding my adif files (from UCX-Log), I got an
error message, that the mode PSK is invalid.

When clicking on YOUR QSOs -> SUBMIT (without
any further selection) I see all my uploaded QSOs without
PSK.

What have I done wrong?
CW SSB RTTY appears, but no PSK.
It is the same adif file. How can I see my PSK QSOs
(and get some QSL records)?
I changed the mentioned mode PSK into PSK31 at my
adif fille 'cause I thought that was the fault.
Okay, I've upoaded the TQ8 file again (Sorry, that was
BEFORE I read, that I should not send duplicates).

Nothing found in FAQ.

Any help / hint from a lotw expert?

LotW is really great. I got a verification from VE9DX
for my very first CW-QSO on 160m!

Thanks in advance for helping a newbie.

vy73
Andy - DO1DXX

12415. IRCs - expire today!!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 11:47:12 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 12415 Message: 12415

12/31/2009 - today (aka IRC doomsday).

Beijing 2 variety...

Get em exchanged today or be prepared to use them for wallpaper or toiletpaper purposes!

73 Rich NN3W

12416. RE: [DX-IS] lotw help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 12:03:48 UTC
From: J.B.C. Harders
Topic: 12414 Message: 12416

Hello,

LoTW accepts PSK31. Edit your .adi file , create a new .tq8

and you will see, it does work.

HNY + vy73 de Jan DJ8NK

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: DE1DXX@...
Date: Thu, 31 Dec 2009 06:18:41 -0500
Subject: [DX-IS] lotw help

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Thanks in advance for helping a newbie.

vy73
Andy - DO1DXX

Windows Live: Friends get your Flickr, Yelp, and Digg updates when they e-mail you.
http://www.microsoft.com/middleeast/windows/windowslive/see-it-in-action/social-network-basics.aspx?ocid=PID23461::T:WLMTAGL:ON:WL:en-xm:SI_SB_3:092010

12417. Re: [DX-IS] lotw help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 12:33:23 UTC
From: DE1DXX@aol.com
Topic: 12414 Message: 12417

Hello Jan,

thanks for the fast reply.
I've done and did it just again. When creating a tq8 file, the following
error came up:

Error: Invalid MODE (PSK) on line 1371
call: DL7ACA
qso_date: 20091211
time_on: 2121
band: 80M
mode: PSK
freq: 3.580

Then I replaced the mode PSK in my adi file with PSK31. And the same error
came up.

That's what I do not understand.

HNY + vy 73 Andy - DO1DXX

In einer eMail vom 31.12.2009 13:04:12 Westeuropäische Normalzeit schreibt
dj8nk@...:

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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12418. Re: [DX-IS] lotw help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 12:54:00 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy(K5MWH)
Topic: 12414 Message: 12418

DE1DXX@... wrote:
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> Hello Jan,
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> thanks for the fast reply.
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> following error came up:
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> error came up.
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> HNY + vy 73 Andy - DO1DXX
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Andy, I don't think LOTW will accept PSK, or PSK31, but it will accept
DATA. I know that may not be specific enough for your purposes, but it
may be as close as you can get. Go here for a list of modes it will accept.
https://p1k.arrl.org/lotw/faq#modes

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12419. RE: [DX-IS] lotw help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 13:45:09 UTC
From: J.B.C. Harders
Topic: 12414 Message: 12419

Hello Andy, sorry, but I did not tell you everything you have to edit in your .adi file.

In line 1371 you will find <mode:3>psk

change that to <mode:5>psk31

then create the .tq8 file. If you have only one entry with PSK, then no longer

any error will be shown. If there are more PSK entries change them accordingly.

The best modification is - of course - to be done in a (DLL) file of your logging

program, which contains the modes. Change PSK to PSK31, if possible.

Good luck + vy73 de Jan DJ8NK

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
From: w5uc@...
Date: Thu, 31 Dec 2009 06:54:00 -0600
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] lotw help

DE1DXX@... wrote:
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> Hello Jan,
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> thanks for the fast reply.
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73,
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Keep your friends updated—even when you're not signed in.
http://www.microsoft.com/middleeast/windows/windowslive/see-it-in-action/social-network-basics.aspx?ocid=PID23461::T:WLMTAGL:ON:WL:en-xm:SI_SB_5:092010

12420. Re: [DX-IS] lotw help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 15:25:56 UTC
From: DE1DXX@aol.com
Topic: 12414 Message: 12420

Hello Jan,

THAT'S IT !!! - Thank you so much !

And even a big THANK for my SWL QSLs (DE1DXX) for 5H1JCH, PJ2/DJ8NK and VK9CCC.
Hope to get 3D20CR some day.

Have a nice and save "trip" to 2010. All the very best to you and yours!

Thanks again, Jan!
vy 73
Andy - DO1DXX / DE1DXX

In einer eMail vom 31.12.2009 14:45:34 Westeuropäische Normalzeit schreibt dj8nk@...:

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Good luck + vy73 de Jan DJ8NK

12421. ARLP054 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 15:52:07 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8307 Message: 12421

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP054
ARLP054 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP54
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 54 ARLP054
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 31, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP054
ARLP054 Propagation de K7RA

Here we are on the last day of the year, with finally some very positive indicators for Cycle 24. Except for Christmas day, since December 9 sunspots have been visible every day. Average daily sunspot numbers for the week December 24-30 were 12.9, an 18.5 point drop from the previous week, which was a 10.3 point rise from the previous week, December 10-16.

Average daily solar flux dropped from 82.8 to 76.2 from the December 17-23 reporting week, but the December 30 forecast from the U.S. Air Force predicts a solar flux value of 79 from December 31 to January 3, 80 for January 4-9, and 85 for January 10-18. They also predict a steady and stable planetary A index of five through February 13. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet for the first week of January. You can get an update on the Air Force/NOAA prediction after 2100 UTC at,
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html.

Since December 26 we've been blessed with new sunspot group 1039, which is now just past the zero degree meridian, referenced to Earth. This is the spot in the center of the solar image. This is the sixth new sunspot group to emerge in December.

After today we will know the three-month moving daily sunspot average centered on November, and it looks close to the average centered on August, 2007, which was 10.17. The moving average has not been above ten since then. The daily average for the month of December should be close to 15.7, the highest monthly average since March, 2008.

A number of sharp-eyed readers caught the major gaffe in the last bulletin, when I dozed off and with my fingers on autopilot I typed Spring Equinox when I should have said Summer Solstice. Needless to say, Spring is not six months off. The Vernal (Spring) Equinox is only 79 days from today. Thanks to (in order of notification) N5UWY,

WE5I, KW6G, KF7FIU, W3DM, N0LNO, and WA3VKG for noticing and not having too much fun at my expense.

Joe Reisert, W1JR, an exceptional low band DXer sent some comments about the solar minimum. I commented that the exceptionally quiet conditions are remarkable, and may partially make up for a lack of solar activity. At least we aren't bothered by large flares.

Joe responded, "I really don't think the low bands are that improved over times when the sunspots were there. Yes, it was nice to work TX3A and K4M on 160 meters for new ones but I still can't get JT1CO to hear me! Sometimes JAs spot me on 160 meters but no JAs call me! Except for early last February when one morning I worked 7 JAs (!) in a row starting at my sunrise (!), I haven't seen any really great Asian openings. I guess I just have to hang in there. I did land VK9XX on 80 near our sunset for number 341 about a month ago. That was a real thrill as he was only working Europeans and somehow I broke the pile up."

Rod Vorndam, K9ROD of Rye, Colorado wrote last week: "The past couple of weeks have seen openings to Europe at sunrise on 20 meters. This Gray Line Effect has made for several strong contacts. I worked I2OHO (Italy), ON5CD (Belgium), HB9RDE (Switzerland), and received several others including OZ1IKY (Denmark) and S51ZZZ (Slovenia). These are my first European contacts into the Western part of the US."

Mark Lunday, WD4ELG of Greensboro, North Carolina has a nice blog with observations on DX from his new QTH. Read it at http://wd4elg.blogspot.com/.

Mark wrote, on Christmas Day: "One thing I have noticed recently with the slight up tick in solar activity, is that 40 meters now reminds me of 20 meters during the solar peak. Even during daylight, there is DX open to somewhere on 40 in winter months. The exception is high noon. But mornings and late afternoons have LOTS of activity on 40."

"This afternoon, I copied HS0CZY/4 on 40 meters about an hour before my sunset. The last time I remember something like this was 1 January 2005 when I worked YB1A on 40 CW late in the afternoon."

"On Monday at 0100 local, I heard a fluttery signal RST 529, I copy JA7DLE, call him twice, he gets my call, BAM he is in the log. I have ONE JA QSO ALL-TIME on 80, and this is my SECOND EVER on 40. This is with a single vertical and 100 watts. What is neat about this is that it happens at 0100 local while I can hear EU stations 599 AND South Cook Islands DXpedition 559. So I am copying Pacific, JA, AND Europe at the same time. When the Sun throws lemons, make your own DX/lemonade."

"I heard 4S7NE on 40 CW at 2030 local, just after his sunrise. I have tried to hear Nelson since I worked him on 17 meters back in 2005, but I have never heard him since. Amazing!"

Thanks Mark.

Bob Doherty, K1VV of Lakeville, Massachusetts reminds us that tonight is Straight Key Night! Take a look at, http://www.qrz.com/db/K1VV/1262178636 and scroll down.

Jose Nunes, CT1BOH of Lisbon, Portugal (see http://www.qsl.net/ct1boh/index.htm) sent some fascinating material that he posted to the cq-contest email list at contesting.com, titled "Listen to what happens when a X4.0 Solar Flare hits your contest operation." He referred to K9LA's article, "Solar Flares at ZF2RR," which you can read at, http://mysite.verizon.net/k9la/Solar_Flares_at_ZF2RR.pdf.

Jose writes, "It just happens that while operating P40E during the 2000 CQWW CW Contest, I was recording the event. And I still remember the black-out that followed the big X4.0 Solar Flare. I thought it would be interesting to share the story and the audio clip of the impact of the solar flare."

"First take a look at the Goes X-ray Flux (5 minute data) on the 25 and 26 November 2002: http://qsl.net/ct1boh/audio/20001127_xray.PNG. I marked with an arrow the big solar X4.0 flare that occurred at 16:38 on 26 November, Sunday of the contest. P40E was QRV on 21 MHz (21050 kHz). In the 40 minutes before the Solar Flare impacted P40E operation, 16:00 - 16:39, I had worked 107 QSOs at a rate of 160.5 QSOs per hour. In the 20 minutes after the Solar Flare impacted P40E operation 16:40 - 16:59 first there was a 7 minute black-out and then I managed to work 10 QSOs at a rate of 30 QSOs per hour."

"Very interesting is the surge of noise right after the Solar Flare until almost total black-out of the bands and during the 7 minute black-out. You will listen to a vanishing pile-up, to a dead band, and then the recovery of activity."

"You can check P40E log at http://www.qsl.net/ct1boh/audio/flare.txt to follow audio clip from 16:36z until 17:02z."

"Listen to the 26 minute audio clip at http://www.qsl.net/ct1boh/audio/flare.wav and note this was an SO2R operation so you should use headphones. You will listen on the left ear to radio 1 (RUN radio) on 21 MHz and right ear to radio 2 (S&P radio) on 28 MHz before the QSY to 10."

Fascinating! Thanks so much, Jose.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html. For a detailed explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/k9la-prop.html. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://www.arrl.org/qst/propcharts/.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of this bulletin are at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#email.

Sunspot numbers for December 24 through 30 were 11, 0, 13, 17, 17, 17, and 15 with a mean of 12.9. 10.7 cm flux was 77.1, 76, 75.9, 76.8, 75.8, 75.1, and 76.9 with a mean of 76.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0 and 0 with a mean of 1.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 3, 2, 1, 1, 0 and 0 with a mean of 1.1.
NNNN
/EX

12422. Can you hear me now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 18:18:21 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 12422 Message: 12422

Reverse Beacon Network ---> http://www.reversebeacon.net

73, de Hans, K0HB
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"Just a boy and his Radio"
Sea stories here ---> http://k0hb.spaces.live.com/
Request QSL at ---> http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/K0HB
All valid QSL requests honored with old fashioned paper QSL!
LoTW participant

12423. Re: [DX-IS] Can you hear me now?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 18:56:05 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12422 Message: 12423

Furst sentence sez it all:
So why should you care?
Zzzzzzzzzzz rene

----- Original Message -----
From: "K0HB" <kzerohb@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 31, 2009 10:18 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Can you hear me now?

> Reverse Beacon Network ---> http://www.reversebeacon.net
>
> 73, de Hans, K0HB
> --
> "Just a boy and his Radio"
> Sea stories here ---> http://k0hb.spaces.live.com/
> Request QSL at ---> http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/K0HB
> All valid QSL requests honored with old fashioned paper QSL!
> LoTW participant
>
>
> ------------------------------------
>
> Yahoo! Groups Links
>
>
>

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 9.0.725 / Virus Database: 270.14.123/2595 - Release Date: 12/31/09
00:52:00

12424. Re: [DX-IS] S-Meter bulb for IC-761

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 19:14:27 UTC
From: Geoff Wilson
Topic: 12410 Message: 12424

On Wed, Dec 30, 2009 at 11:11 PM, Alan Leith <aleith@...> wrote:

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>
> Several months ago, maybe much longer, I received a few original bulbs for
> my 761s S-Meter from a friend who purchased the last bunch that ICOM had.
> I must have had a little power surge today because the first of the two
> bulbs I had has blown. I've installed the second one of the bulbs (three
> of them were crushed in transit even though they were wrapped in bubble
> wrap) so I now have no more of the five that were sent to me. Does anyone
> have a couple of these bulbs they could spare or has anyone come up with a
> reasonable alternative?
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>
>
>

What color LED would you like Al ??? You now thw phone # :-)

--
73

Geoff
VE1GW

12425. Re: [DX-IS] IRCs - expire today!!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 19:35:46 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 12415 Message: 12425

Sad thing is Postal Clerks dont understand how to cash them for an Airmail Stramp. I went today and had to fill out a form to get a 98 cent stamp. Then clerk did not know how to use the retail system to redeem it. I have cashed over 150 of them at same postal facility in the past.
Folks some where in this thread there was instructions one of the guys provided on how clerks were to redeem the IRC. I will try looking for it.. Trust me you will need it in the future to redeem the new style ones.
It dont get any sadder than the Post Office --- no wonder our govt is in such dire straights

Michael W. Elliott
"THE INSIDE ADVANTAGE" -
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St. Louis County Missouri

--- On Thu, 12/31/09, Richard F DiDonna NN3W <nn3w@...> wrote:

From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W <nn3w@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] IRCs - expire today!!!!
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, December 31, 2009, 5:47 AM

12/31/2009 - today (aka IRC doomsday).

Beijing 2
variety...

Get em exchanged today or be prepared to use them for
wallpaper or toiletpaper purposes!

73 Rich NN3W

12426. Re: [DX-IS] IRCs - expire today!!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 20:38:19 UTC
From: Michael W Elliott
Topic: 12415 Message: 12426

Found the instructions posted in n6hh site regarding IRC
Since your Postal Clerk will prob be confused show or tell him/her the following:These are the instructions for Point of Sale (POS) machines they do transactions on:The will enter the following

1. Stamps & Mdse [merchandise]
2. Exchange
3. Redeem Foreign IRCs
4. Enter .98 (cost of the stamp)
5. Scan and sell one international .98 stamp
6. The balance owed will show zero

Good luck as it took me 90 mins to redeem one IRC this morning
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12427. ARLD052 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 20:52:21 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8045 Message: 12427

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD052
ARLD052 DX news

ZCZC AE52
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 52 ARLD052
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 31, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD052
ARLD052 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by HL1IWD, NC1L, PA0MIR, XE1EE, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

CROATIA, 9A. Tom, 9A2AA is QRV with special event call 9A500AA until December 31, 2010. QSL to home call.

CUBA, CO. Edor, CO7PH plans to be QRV as CO7PH/p from Cayo Anclitas Island, IOTA NA-201, from January 2 to 5. QSL direct via W3HNK.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Lee, HL1IWD is QRV as DU1/homecall from Manila, IOTA OC-042, until January 3. QSL to home call.

HAITI, HH. Pierre, HB9AMO is QRV as HH/HB9AMO for about one month. Activity is mainly on 30 to 17 meters using CW in his spare time. QSL via PA7FM.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, P2. Peter, VY0PW is QRV as P29CS from Lihir Island, IOTA OC-069. QSL via operator's instructions.

NETHERLANDS, PA. In celebration of 600 years of the city of Purmerend, special event station PC600P is QRV until January 27. In addition, look for stations PA600MIR, PA601FR, PA602SWL, PA603HGP, PD602YL and PE603HG to be active. QSL via operators' instructions.

CANADA, VE. Steve, N6QEK is QRV as VY1/homecall from Whitehorse in the Yukon Territory until January 4. This includes a possible entry in the ARRL RTTY Roundup. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL to home call.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Special event station VI2AJ2010 will be QRV from the Australian Scout Jamboree in Sydney from January 4 to 14. Activity is on the H/VHF bands and EchoLink. QSL via VK2FFG. In addition, Wally, VK6YS, Nigel, VK6NI and Bruce, KD6WW are QRV as VK6IOA from

Houtman Abrolhos Island, IOTA OC-211, until January 4. QSL via VK4AAR.

MEXICO, XE. In celebration of the two hundred years of Mexican independence and the 100th anniversary of the Mexican revolution, members of the Radio Club Queretaro are QRV as special event station 4A1B throughout all of 2010. QSL via LZ3HI.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL RTTY Roundup, Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party, AGB New Year Snowball Contest, SARTG New Year RTTY Contest, AGCW Happy New Year CW Contest, AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, Original QRP CW Contest, EUCW 160-Meter CW Contest and the Kid's Day Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship is scheduled for January 4. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for January 5. Please see January 2010 QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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12428. Re: [DX-IS] IRCs - expire today!!!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 21:25:21 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 12415 Message: 12428

I suggest you download US Postal Bulletin PR 22267, September 10, 2009, from
http://www.usps.com/cpim/ftp/bulletin/2009/pb22267/pdf/pb22267.pdf

Take pages 11 and 12 with you to the PO and courteously ask the
Counter Supervisor or Postmaster to read them. They describe how the
local PO obtains IRCs through their normal supply channels and how
they dispose of any old ones they have left.

Dick
--
Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

12429. Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 22:11:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 9721 Message: 12429

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:Product: Report of Solar-Geophysical Activity
:Issued: 2009 Dec 31 2200 UTC
# Prepared jointly by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA,
# Space Weather Prediction Center and the U.S. Air Force.
#
Joint USAF/NOAA Report of Solar and Geophysical Activity
SDF Number 365 Issued at 2200Z on 31 Dec 2009
IA. Analysis of Solar Active Regions and Activity from 30/2100Z
to 31/2100Z: Solar activity was very low. Region 1039 (S28W21) grew
in both sunspot count and white light area coverage and produced
several low-level B-flares. This region remains a D-type sunspot
group with a beta magnetic classification.
IB. Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very
low to low. There is a slight chance of an isolated C-flare and
M-flare from Region 1039.
IIA. Geophysical Activity Summary 30/2100Z to 31/2100Z:
The geomagnetic field was quiet.
IIB. Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is
expected to be quiet for the next three days (01 - 03 January).
III. Event Probabilities 01 Jan-03 Jan
Class M 05/05/05
Class X 01/01/01
Proton 01/01/01
PCAF Green
IV. Penticton 10.7 cm Flux
Observed 31 Dec 080
Predicted 01 Jan-03 Jan 079/079/079
90 Day Mean 31 Dec 074
V. Geomagnetic A Indices
Observed Afr/Ap 30 Dec 000/000
Estimated Afr/Ap 31 Dec 001/002
Predicted Afr/Ap 01 Jan-03 Jan 005/005-005/005-005/005
VI. Geomagnetic Activity Probabilities 01 Jan-03 Jan
A. Middle Latitudes
Active 05/05/05
Minor storm 01/01/01
Major-severe storm 01/01/01
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12430. Telnet posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2009)
Date: 2009-12-31 23:47:06 UTC
From: WB6PSY/N6AXK
Topic: 12430 Message: 12430

I just went into Telnet and put in FT5GA and found 22 posts, most all say they received their QSLs. Why was all this posted and what purpose does it really serve? Most listed 14000.0 as the frequency. Would this not set off alarms for those looking for a FT?

BTW, less than 15 minutes to GMT HNY!

73, de Rene, WB6PSY
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"Jez a man and his Radidio"

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The Renegade & Old Age
Postcholecystectomy Syndrome
MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
Mad Cow, Dutch Elm Disease & PTSD
Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder